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Date: June 24, 2013

Dear Interested Party:

The Plumas National Forest, Beckwourth Ranger District proposes to develop a multi-purpose trail connecting the Crocker Campground with Red Clover Valley and Dotta Canyon and establish a staging area off of the 26N70 road at the 24N23 intersection. The purpose of the Crocker Multi-Purpose Trail is to provide alternative access from the Beckwourth–Genesee Road to Red Clover Valley. The Beckwourth–Genesee Road is scheduled to be paved which will eliminate the current use by OHVs. The trail system that will be identified will be a safe network designed to accommodate multiple user groups (hikers, non-motorized cyclists, OHVs and equestrians). The District will prepare an Environmental Assessment for this project.

The project is located approximately 11 miles north of Beckwourth, California, and about 3 miles east of Lake Davis. Trail analysis would occur within all or portions of T23N and T24N, R14E, Sections 33, 32, 31, 30, 29, 25, 19, 20, 23, 14, 15 and 9, Mt. Diablo Base Meridian. The Project Initiation Letter detailing the proposed project is available for review at the Beckwourth District Office or available online on the Plumas National Forest webpage under Land and Resources Management (<http://www.fs.usda.gov/land/plumas/landmanagement>). For additional information, or to obtain a copy of the Project Initiation Letter, contact: Lisa Sedlacek, Assistant Resource Officer, at (530) 836-2575.

Our desire is to receive comments or other expressions of interest on the merits of the proposed action, as well as comments that address errors, misinformation, or information that has been omitted. Public questions and comments regarding this proposal are an integral part of this environmental analysis process. Comments will be used to identify issues and develop alternatives to the proposed action. To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments should be as specific as possible.

The project implements land management plans and is not authorized under the Health Forest Restoration Act and is subject to 36 CFR 218.7 parts (a) and (b). Instead of an appeal period, there will be an objection process *before* the final decision is made and after the environmental document and draft decision notice is mailed (reference 36 CFR 218). In order to be eligible to file an objection, specific written comments related to the project must be submitted during scoping or any other periods public comment is specifically requested on this EA (218.5). Individual members of organizations must have submitted their own comments to meet the requirements of eligibility as an individual, objections received on behalf of an organization are considered as those of the organization only. Names and addresses of those who comment and/or file objections will become part of the public record.



Send written comments to Deb Bumpus, Beckwourth District Ranger, Beckwourth Ranger District, PO Box 7, Blairsden, CA 96103. Fax: (530) 836-0493. Comments may be: (1) mailed to the IDT Leader; (2) hand delivered between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., weekdays Pacific Time; (3) faxed to (530) 283-7746; or (4) electronically mailed to: comments-pacificsouthwest-plumas-beckwourth@fs.fed.us. Please indicate the name "Crocker Multi-Purpose Trails Project" on the subject line of your email. Comments submitted electronically must be in Rich Text Format (.rtf).

DATES: Comments will be accepted until July 26, 2013.

Sincerely,



/s/ Deb Bumpus  
DEB BUMPUS  
District Ranger