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Regional Environmental Officer, Portland, OR {Lead}

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management
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Subject: Review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Meadows Slope Wildland Fire Protection Project, Payette National Forest, Adams and Valley Counties, Idaho
(ER 04/742)(Agency due date: November 22, 2004)

The Forest Service has requested the Department to review the Draft EIS for the Meadows Slope Wildland Fire Protection Project, Payette National Forest. The Draft EIS is accessible on the internet at: www.fs.fed.us/r4/payette/publications/.

Would you please have your appropriate field-level office review the Draft EIS from its particular jurisdiction or special expertise and provide its comments to the Regional Environmental Officer in Portland, Oregon by **November 10, 2004**.

The Regional Environmental Officer will prepare and sign the Department's comments by **November 16, 2004**. Please supply all signed paper comments, comments on disk, or comments being submitted electronically to the REO.

Related reviews are under: ER02/1165 (NOI) and ER04/242 (NOI).

/s/10/7/04
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