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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Collect Information; Correction

**AGENCY:** USDA, Agricultural Research Service, National Agricultural Library.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments; correction.

**SUMMARY:** This document corrects the National Agricultural Library's Notice of Intent to Seek Approval to Collect Information. The notice was published in the *Federal Register* of March 28, 2005. This correction provides the correct e-mail address for submitting comments to the National Library.

#### Correction

In the *Federal Register* of March 28, 2005, in FR Doc. 05-6026, on page 15613, in the third column, correct the **ADDRESSES** section to read as follows:

**ADDRESSES:** Address all comments concerning this notice to Mary Ann Leonard, Special Projects Coordinator, Information Research Services Branch, National Agricultural Library, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-2351, telephone (301) 504-6500 or fax (301) 504-6409. Submit electronic comments to [mleonard@nal.usda.gov](mailto:mleonard@nal.usda.gov).

Dated: April 11, 2005.

**Antoinette A. Betschart,**

*Associate Administrator for Agricultural Research Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Mission Brush, Idado Panhandle National Forests, Boundary County, ID

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** The USDA Forest Service will prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for the Mission Brush project. The Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS for the Mission Brush project was published in the *Federal Register* (68 FR 53730) on September 12, 2003 and the notice of the Final EIS (69 FR 31613) was published on June 4, 2004. The Record of Decision on this project was administratively appealed to the Regional Forester per 36 CFR part 215. The Regional Forester affirmed my decision on August 30, 2004. However, due to information that has been identified since the availability of the final EIS and ROD, I have determined the need for a supplement. The proposed action is unchanged from the final EIS. A Supplemental EIS is being prepared to address analysis issues raised through the recent opinion issued through the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in *Lands Council v. Powell*, 395 F.3d 1015-1046 (9th Cir. 2005).

**DATES:** Scoping is not required for supplements to environmental impact statements (40 CFR 1502.9(c)(4)). There was extensive public involvement in the development of the proposed action, the 2003 Draft EIS and the 2004 Final EIS and the Forest Service is not inviting comments at this time.

**ADDRESSES:** Bonners Ferry Ranger District, 6286 Main Street, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doug Nishek, Project Team Leader, USDA Forest Service, Bonners Ferry Ranger District at 208-267-5561.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Mission Brush Record of Decision (ROD) was released at the same time as the Final EIS and the legal notice of decision was published in the newspaper of record on June 1, 2004. The ROD selected Alternative 2 and authorized vegetation treatments on a total of approximately 4036 acres through a combination of even-aged and uneven-aged regeneration cuts, partial cuts and tree girdling; fuels treatments on approximately 3900 acres, ecosystem prescribed burning on approximately 238 acres, five miles of temporary road construction to be decommissioned after use, 13 miles of existing roads to be

decommissioned, 39 miles of existing roads to be improved, and five miles of existing roads to be placed in storage, and improvement of facilities at Brush Lake Campground.

The Record of Decision was appealed. Following administrative review, the decision was affirmed and the appellant's requested relief denied by the Appeal Deciding Officer for the Northern Region of the USDA Forest Service on August 30, 2004 with the following requirement:

I fine the Forest Supervisor has made a reasoned decision and has complied with all laws, regulations, and policy. After careful consideration of the above factors, I affirm the Forest Supervisor's decision to implement the Mission Brush project. Your requested relief is denied. However, because of the recent 9th Circuit Opinion in *Lands Council v. Powell* (395 F.3d 1015-1046 (9th Cir. 2005)), I am directing the Forest to delay implementation of this project until further notice.

The Supplemental EIS will contain information relating to prior and reasonably foreseeable timber harvests in the project's cumulative effects area, water quality and fisheries analysis, soil conditions, stands of old growth trees, and wildlife analysis methodologies. No modifications to the activities authorized by the June 2004 Record of Decision are proposed under this Supplemental EIS (SEIS). The SEIS is intended to provide additional evaluation of the natural resources listed above and provide that information to the public.

The purpose and need for the Mission Brush project includes considerations for vegetation, aquatic ecosystems, wildlife, and recreation. The vegetation goal is to trend the composition, structure, and diversity of landscape patterns toward desired future conditions by providing tree species and stocking levels similar to historic conditions that resist insects, diseases, and stand-replacing wildfire(s), and improve landscape patterns by creating openings that more closely resemble those that occurred historically. For the aquatic ecosystem the goal is to maintain and improve watershed and fisheries in the Mission Creek and Brush Creek drainages. Wildlife goals are to promote the long-term persistence and stability of wildlife habitat and biodiversity by trending toward vegetation that more closely resembles the historic range of variability and