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Ed Shepard, Director Bureau of Land Management Western Oregon Plan Revisions P.O. Box 2965 Portland, OR 97208

RE: Follow up Comments from Jackson County on the Western Oregon Plan Revisions

Dear Mr. Shepard:

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners is submitting supplemental comments to those submitted on December 6, 2007. We are enclosing a complete package so there is no need to find or refer to our original submission.

Please note that the recommendations submitted on December 6th were pulled from the enclosed report Recommendations from the Jackson County WOPR Core Group on the BLM Draft EIS Western Oregon Plan Revisions. In retrospect, we realize it would have been more beneficial to BLM to have the complete report, rather than just the recommendations. I would like to emphasize that every recommendation contained in this report was agreed to by every member of our Core Group, a diverse group of experts and stakeholders. This report and its recommendations was adopted unanimously by the Board of Commissioners and is our official response.

Since submitting our official comments, a committee that advises the board on natural resource issues submitted their response on the DEIS to the board for their consideration. Because this report provides additional information and comments that support and adds to our recommendations, the board decided to forward this report as well.

In addition to the reports mentioned above, I have also included the December 6, 2007 cover letter from the Jackson County Board of Commissioners to complete the package.

If you should have any questions regarding any of the enclosed information, please contact Lin Bernhardt, Jackson County Natural Resources Manager at (541) 774-6086.

Sincerely,

Dennis C.W. Smith, Chair

Jackson County Board of Commissioners

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We thank the Medford District manager, Tim Reuwsaat, and his staff for their support and assistance during this process.

Sincerely,

Jackson County Board of Commissioners

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enclosures:

- 1) WOPR Core Group Consensus Recommendations
- 2) Jackson County WOPR Core Group