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**Sent:** Saturday, March 28, 2015 11:43 AM  
**Subject:** Darby Lumber Lands Watershed Improvement and Travel Management Project documents available  
**Attachments:** DarbyLumberLandsEANotifiLetter032815.pdf  
**Importance:** High

You have expressed interest in the Darby Lumber Lands Watershed Improvement and Travel Management Project; the revised Environmental Assessment (EA) and draft Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact are now available. Please see the attached letter for details on where to find project documents, who to contact with questions and how the 36 CFR 218 Objection Process works. The project's web page is <http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=36615>

Thank you for your interest in this project.



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File Code: 1950

Date: March 27, 2015

Dear Interested Party,

The Darby Lumber Lands Watershed Improvement and Travel Management Project – Phase I Environmental Assessment, Finding of No Significant Issues (FONSI), and draft Decision Notice have been prepared and I am the responsible official for this decision. I am planning to implement Alternative B. The EA, FONSI, draft Decision Notice, and supporting documents are available on the internet at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=36615>

The Darby Lumber Lands Watershed Improvement and Travel Management Project – Phase I project is subject to 36CFR 218 subparts A and B. Objections are only accepted from those who submitted specific written comments about the proposed project during scoping or other designated opportunities for public comment in accordance with 36 CFR 218.5(a). Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted, timely comments on the proposed project unless the issue is based on new information arising after the designated comment opportunities.

The following address should be used for objections sent by regular mail to: Objection Reviewing Officer, USDA Forest Service, Northern Region, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, MT 59807

Objections sent by private carrier or hand delivery must go to: Objection Reviewing Officer, USDA Forest Service, Northern Region, 200 East Broadway, Missoula, MT 59807. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm, excluding Federal holidays.

Objections can be faxed to the Objection Reviewing Officer at (406) 329-3411. Please specify “Darby Lumber Lands Project Objection” on the subject line of the fax cover sheet and the number of pages submitted.

Electronic objections must be submitted to the Objection Reviewing Officer via email to [appeals-northern-regional-office@fs.fed.us](mailto:appeals-northern-regional-office@fs.fed.us), with “Darby Lumber Lands Objection” in the subject line. Electronic submissions must be submitted in a format that is readable with optical character recognition software (e.g. Word, PDF, Rich Text) and be searchable. An automated response should confirm your electronic objection has been received.

The objection must meet the content requirements of 36 CFR 218.8(d), and include the following information: 1) the objector’s name and address, with a telephone number or email address, if available; 2) a signature or other verification of authorship upon request (a scanned signature for email may be filed with the objection); 3) when multiple names are listed on an objection, identification of the lead objector as defined in 36 CFR 218.2 (verification of the identity of the lead objector shall be provided upon request); 4) the name of the project being objected to, the name and title of the responsible official, and the name of the national forest and ranger district on which the project will be implemented; 5) a description of those aspects of the project addressed by the objection, including specific issues related to the project and, if applicable, how



the objector believes the environmental analysis or draft decision specifically violates law, regulation, or policy; suggested remedies that would resolve the objection; and supporting reasons for the reviewing officer to consider; and 6) a statement that demonstrates the connection between prior specific written comments on the particular project or activity and the content of the objection, unless the objection concerns an issue that arose after the designated opportunity for formal comment. With certain exceptions (36 CFR 218.8(b)), all documents referenced in the objection must be included with the objection.

An objection, including attachments, must be filed with the appropriate reviewing officer within 45 calendar days following publication of the objection filing period legal notice in the newspaper of record, the Ravalli Republic. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection. Objectors should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. It is the objector's responsibility to ensure timely filing of a written objection with the reviewing officer pursuant to 36 CFR 218.9. All objections are available for public inspection during and after the objection process. Responses that do not adhere to these requirements make review of an objection difficult and are conditions under which the reviewing officer may set aside an objection pursuant to 36 CFR 218.10.

If you have any questions concerning the EA, FONSI and draft Decision Notice filing, please contact Ed Snook at 406-363-7103 or Chuck Oliver, Darby District Ranger at 406-821-4244.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie K. King". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

JULIE K. KING  
Forest Supervisor