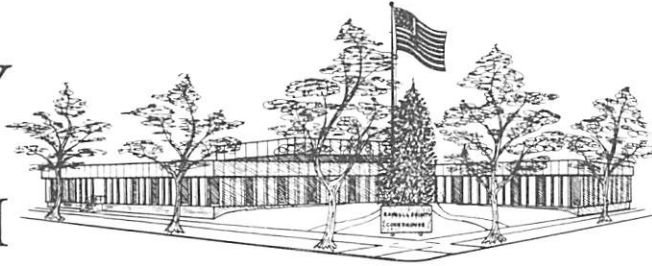


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## **RE: Scoping Letter for the Darby Lumber Lands Phase II Project**

Dear Eric,

The Board of Ravalli County Commissioners (BCC) thanks you, Forest Service staff and Supervisor King for your continued efforts to work with Commissioners and resolve important issues on our National Forest in Ravalli County. The Commissioners also appreciate your consideration of the BCC's comment during the scoping phase of this project.

The Board of Ravalli County Commissioners in general support the Darby Lumber Lands Phase II Project. We appreciate that Phase II proposes a small amount of vegetation management in this area including commercial harvest.

The BCC adopted the Ravalli County Natural Resource Use Policy in 2012 (see Exhibit A). The policy outlines goals and objectives in specific Ravalli County Natural Resource areas. Ravalli County requests that the Forest Service review the Ravalli County Natural Resource Policy and implement project goals and objectives that are supported by the document.

The BCC requests that the Forest Service develop a road decommissioning map that identifies specific treatments for road segments and justification for treatment.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

Ravalli County Board of Commissioners


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Greg Chilcott, Chairman



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Jeff Burrows, Vice-Chair

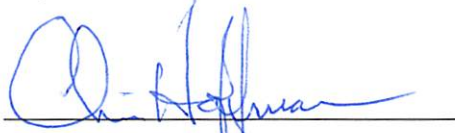


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