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From: Clackamas Stewardship Partners

c/o Nathan J. Poage, Coordinator

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To: Jim Roden

Clackamas River Ranger District

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Re.: Clackamas Stewardship Partners comments on the Jazz Thin Preliminary Assessment

Dear Mr. Roden:

The Clackamas Stewardship Partners (CSP) would like to thank you and the other USFS staff involved for having considered in the Jazz Thin Preliminary Assessment all of the scoping comments submitted by CSP in its November 1, 2010 letter. Subsequent discussion of the Jazz Thin Preliminary Assessment at both the CSP Projects Committee Meeting on November 30, 2011 and the full group CSP General Meeting on December 13, 2011 indicate general consensus by the group in support of the proposed action presented in the Jazz Thin Preliminary Assessment. (Subsequent to the December 13, 2011 CSP General Meeting, John Persell of Pacific Rivers Council requested that Pacific Rivers Council--which recently became a CSP member--recuse itself from the statement of consensus support by CSP, noting that Pacific Rivers Council has not had sufficient involvement as a CSP member in CSP's long-term discussions of the Jazz Thin.)

The above discussions indicate that a point of disagreement among CSP members was whether or not gaps should be created silviculturally as part of thinning in Riparian Reserves.

Individual groups will likely submit their own letters clarifying their organizations' stances on the Preliminary Assessment.

Sincerely,

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