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Dear Interested Citizen:

As the Responsible Official, I have signed the Record of Decision (ROD), selecting Alternative 5 as modified, for the Trestle Forest Health Project Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). Alternative 5 was designed to address concerns about impacts to California spotted owl while still providing for effective fuels treatments near the community of Grizzly Flats and in key locations across the project landscape. Under Alternative 5, approximately 16,000 acres of National Forest System lands will be treated using a combination of vegetation treatments, including approximately 3,600 acres of commercial mechanical thinning, 1,100 acres of hand thinning, and 11,000 acres of prescribed burning to improve forest health and fire resiliency. In addition, Alternative 5 includes road reconstruction activities to facilitate treatments and improve water quality, as well as restoration actions associated with dispersed camping, roads, and trails to reduce impacts to soils and watershed conditions.

Details of the Trestle Forest Health Project, including the ROD and FEIS can be found on the Eldorado National Forest website at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=28654> or [www.fs.usda.gov/projects/eldorado/landmanagement/projects](http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/eldorado/landmanagement/projects).

Project implementation is expected to begin in the spring or summer of 2018.

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Sincerely,

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