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Comments:

I am in full support of the project. I attended the informational meeting in Clarkston. Some of my non-attributed comments were received there.

Some important points:

-do not unnecessarily reduce use of well placed temporary roads to facilitate treating of more acres at lower cost and reduced ground impacts from long distance skidding.

-I support use of smaller project level decisions by responsible officials as we go if that will expedite finality of large scale EIS as we need to get to implementation right away and not waste our resources on document writing.

-Well placed fuel breaks may facilitate success of future fire suppression efforts.

-Consider widespread use of DXP and DXD harvest prescription to reduce cost and speed up implementation. Industry can do this work and will meet project specs as it is in their interest to do so.

We stand ready as a likely purchaser of timber removal projects that will come out of this effort and are available for consultation and collaboration throughout the process of analysis and implementation.

Sincerely,

Bill Higgins  
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