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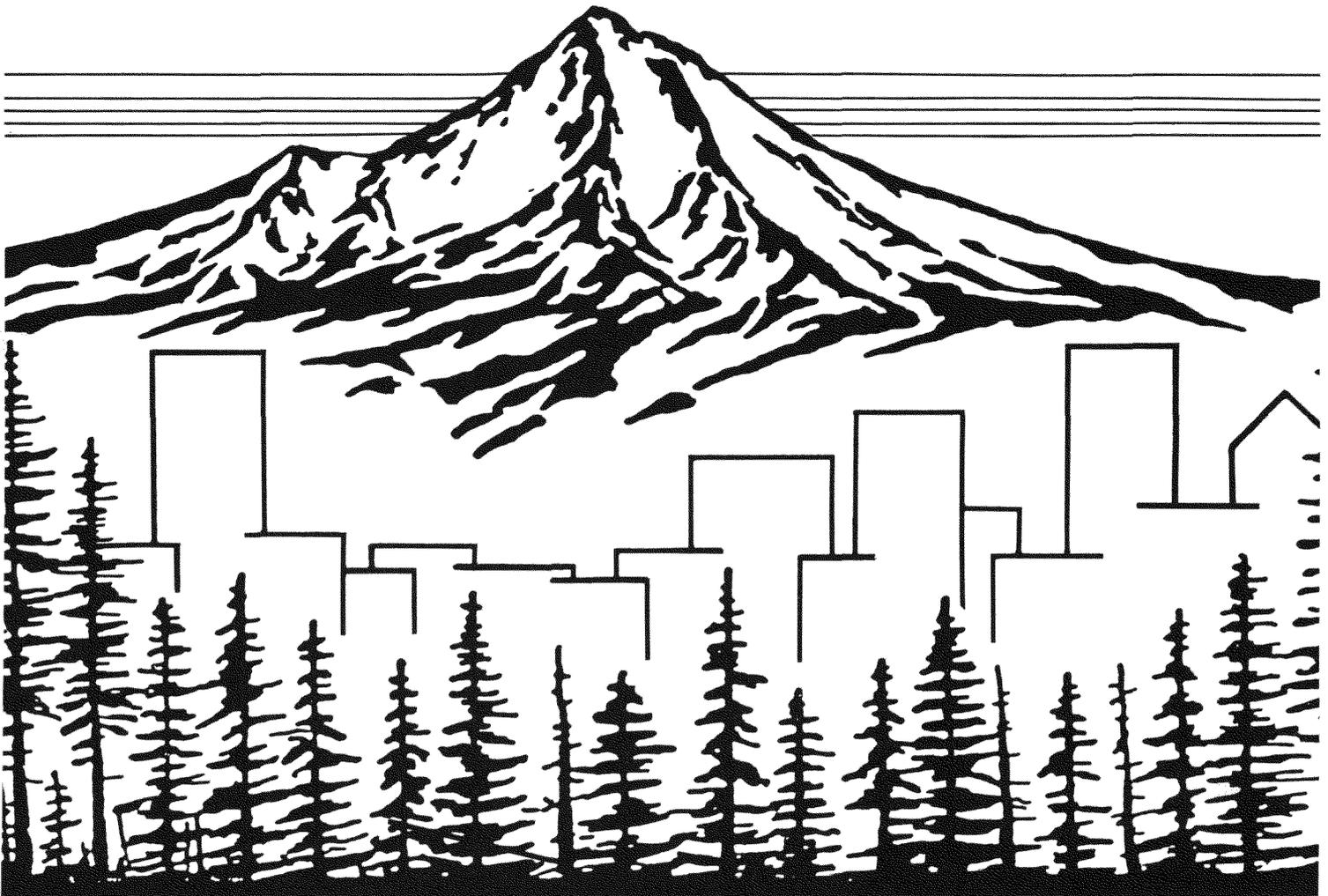
Response Form

Draft Environmental
Impact Statement

Proposed Land and Resource
Management Plan

Mt. Hood National Forest

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How We Will Use Your Response

Your comments are important in developing a final Forest Plan that is most responsive to public needs, desires, and interests. The more specific your comments are, the better.

After the public review period is over, responses will be analyzed. The Forest Supervisor and the Regional Forester will then review and evaluate the analysis of those responses. They will then use the analyses of the public input along with other factors, including legal requirements, resource capability and protection, environmental effects, and economic stability, to decide on the final Forest Plan.

Steps to be followed in the analysis of public responses:

- Read all responses and identify specific comments.
- Arrange the comments so we can keep track of them.
- Analyze and combine all comments and reasons into categories such as issues, alternatives, adequacy of document, etc.
- Prepare a summary of public responses.
- Evaluate the analysis and consider it when developing the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) or in identifying the need to issue a new Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

Once public responses have been analyzed, we will:

- Issue a FEIS or a new DEIS. Include responses to all substantive comments in the new document.
- Announce decision with rationale and direction.
- Mail FEIS or new DEIS.

These 9 Steps Can Help You Prepare Your Response!

STEP 1. The Response Form

This response form has been designed to use with this Reviewer's Guide and with the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, Land and Resource Management Plan, Mt. Hood National Forest.

It is a prepaid, addressed mailer ready to be sent. Just staple, and drop in the mail.

Review the entire response form and call if you need help or clarification.

Supervisor's Office	666-0700
Barlow Ranger District	467-2291
Bear Springs Ranger District	328-6211
Clackamas Ranger District	630-4256
Columbia Gorge Ranger District	695-2276
Extacada Ranger District	630-6861
Hood River Ranger District	666-0701
Zigzag Ranger District	666-0704

STEP 3. Describe New Issues

If you listed new issues under STEP 2, please describe them in the space below. Use additional sheets as needed.

STEP 4. Commenting on the Alternatives

The following pages have space for your comments on ten alternatives. Select the alternatives you want to comment on and write in the spaces provided. As you make your comment, be sure to discuss strengths and weaknesses, your likes and dislikes, changes you would like to see, and the rationale supporting your comments. Make your comments as specific as you can. Descriptions of the alternatives can be found in Chapter II of the DEIS and in the Reviewer's Guide. You should also look at the alternative maps.

Alternative E has been identified as our preferred alternative. We feel that this will best address the issues identified on the Forest. Please use one space to comment on our preferred alternative.

In making your comments on the alternatives, consider:

- The best balance between local, state, and national needs.
- Keeping options open for the future.
- The best balance between the resources and the goods produced.
- Environmental consequences.

Alternative _____ Check if this is your preferred

STEP 5. New Alternatives

If you feel that none of the alternatives described in the DEIS meet your perception of how you would like to see the Mt. Hood National Forest managed, please describe your proposed alternative in the space provided. Try to describe it as fully as you can in order for us to be able to evaluate it. The outline used to describe each alternative in the Reviewer's Guide or DEIS may be useful to you.

You may want to go back to STEP 2 and indicate in one of the blank alternative columns how well your new alternative(s) responds to the issues.

New Alternative _____ Check if this is your preferred

STEP 6. Additional Comments

Feel free to make additional comments about the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, the Draft Forest Plan, or the Forest Planning process. In addition to your comments on the alternatives, we would be interested in your thoughts on:

- Level of analysis and accuracy of data.
- Validity of conclusions drawn.
- Planning process.
- Public involvement.
- Adequacy of the document.
- Proposed Forest Plan.

STEP 7

If you need more space, add some pages. Make sure they are firmly attached.

STEP 8

If you want to discuss your response, please let us know how to reach you. We also would like to know if you are representing anyone other than yourself.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Representing _____

STEP 9

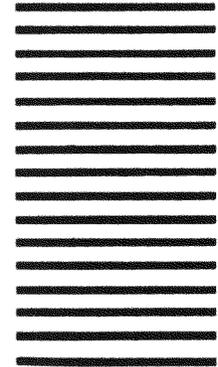
To be fair to all, we must specify a cut off date for the receipt of responses. Therefore, your responses, to be considered, must be completed and mailed no later than April 15, 1988.

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