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Dear Mr. Gunn:

On August 29, 2017, you filed an objection to the Apache Leap Special Management Area Management Plan and the associated Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Decision Notice (DN) released by the Forest Supervisor of the Tonto National Forest, Neil Bosworth.

As a result of the objection resolution meeting held on December 6, 2017, we were able to reach an agreement to resolve your issues. On December 15, 2017, an Objection Resolution Agreement (enclosed) was exchanged documenting specific actions to be taken by the Tonto National Forest. It was signed by you and the Forest Supervisor will sign and return it to you as soon as the agreement is received in the mail. Please see the attached email documenting agreement by both parties. The resolution included an agreement by you to withdraw your objection. You formally withdrew your objection by email on December 20, 2017 (enclosed).

In accordance with the regulation at 36 CFR 219.55(6), I am setting aside your objection from further review. I appreciated the opportunity to discuss your concerns with you. The open, candid discussions allowed us to focus on those areas where we were able to come to some resolution on the issues raised in your objection. Your input and participation have been extremely valuable in helping the agency make a more informed decision.

Sincerely,

JIM UPCHURCH

Deputy Regional Forester

Enclosures

cc: Neil Bosworth; Tom Torres; Mary Rasmussen; Lee Ann Atkinson; Marianne Thomas; Roxanne Turley; Matt Turner, Cat Luna



