

# NORTH CENTRAL WASHINGTON FOREST HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

September 4, 2014

Pete Wier, Project Leader  
Chelan Ranger District  
428 West Woodin Ave  
Chelan, WA 98816

Dear Peter Wier,

We are writing in response to the Chelan Ranger District's (District) request for input on the Twenty-Five Mile Project. The North Central Washington Forest Health Collaborative (NCWFHC) Projects Workgroup appreciated the field trip on August 14, 2014, and was pleased to meet some of the adjacent private landowners present. The NCWFHC encourages the District to cooperate with these landowners, as well as the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, on cross-boundary, landscape scale restoration treatments wherever possible during project implementation. The proximity of the recent Twenty-Five Mile Creek wildfire to these landowners speaks to the importance of treating across jurisdictions.

The NCWFHC also encourages the District to implement good forest practices to reduce erosion and protect riparian areas in the watershed.

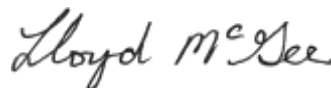
We look forward to continuing to work with the District on implementation of this project, and welcome any requests for support through implementation.

Please contact Melody Kreimes, Forest Health Program Manager, Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Board, at (509) 888-0321 or [melody.kreimes@ucsrb.org](mailto:melody.kreimes@ucsrb.org) for any further information regarding the North Central Washington Forest Health Collaborative or this letter.

Sincerely,



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NCWFHC Co-Chair



Lloyd McGee, The Nature Conservancy  
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