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To Whom It May Concern:

In the draft concept paper on the first page it states the purpose of the pilot projects is to identify opportunities to increase efficiencies for timber harvest planning and permitting processes. More efficient THP's and less agency overlap are definitely good, but I think the main focus needs to address ecological performances.

We have pushed aside the impacts of ignoring their costs for too long. The effects of our actions on air, water, soil and loss of biodiversity will impact our wallets far greater in the end if we continue to brush over them.

Even if the purpose as stated above is intended to include it, its not enough. To "evaluate and improve ecological performance of the regulatory process" should be specified in the pilot projects purpose.

Secondly, I think that the pilot projects working group should include broad based public impute at the management level, including those listed in Chesbro's A.B. 875 (2013). In addition to those listed in Chesbro's former bill representatives from the Native American community should be included.

The public and public reps need to be members of the team actually carrying out the pilot projects and the revenue stream provided by A.B. 1492 should provide fair compensation for the work being done by these public reps.

The process for selecting this team should be made clear to the public and there should be at least one public hearing to discuss the assessment team selection process.

Sincerely,

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