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March 19, 2002

Leo Bell
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Albion, ID 83311

HAND DELIVERED

RE: Application for Transfer No. 5194 (66616) filed in the name of USDA Forest Service
Application for Permit No. 45-7745 filed in the name of the USDA Forest Service

Dear Mr. Bell:

Our office received one protest form filed against the above referenced applications on 3/18/2002 with a check for \$25.00. **Since the protest period ended 2/12/1998 for the transfer and 12/3/1999 for the application for permit , I must reject your protest and return the document and check to you.**

However, since other timely protests were received on these pending applications the Department's "Rules of Procedure" provides a means for intervention into contested cases. A Petition for Intervention for each application must be filed with the Department along with the required \$25.00 filing fee for each petition. After review of any petition(s) filed the department may grant or deny the motion. Please also note that when filing a petition to intervene you must mail copies to all other parties to the case (Rule 301 and 302).

If you need a copy of these rules, please contact this office. The Rules of Procedure are also available on the Internet by using the IDWR Homepage at the following electronic address:

<http://www.idwr.state.id.us/apa/idapa37/0101.htm>

If you have questions about this process, please feel free to get in touch with us.

Sincerely,

Allen Merritt, PE
Southern Region Manager

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Enclosure