

Black Hills Forest Resource Association

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Mr. Ruby,

The Black Hills Forest Resource Association (BHFRA) would like to have party status in the hearing regarding Sand Creek Very Rare & Uncommon Designation. The BHFRA and its members have traditionally played an active role by participating in beneficial and sustainable forest management across the Black Hills National Forest.

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The BHFRA plans to participate in the fieldtrip and hearing scheduled for October 26. I also plan to participate in the conference call slated for 3:30pm on October 15, 2010. A contact number where I can be reached at that time would be **605-574-4133**.

Following is information regarding my witnesses:

Jim Neiman (may call)
Vice President/CEO
Neiman Enterprises
PO Box 218
Hulett, WY 82720

Mr. Neiman has a long history in the Black Hills regarding forest management, grazing, and other land management practices. Testimony will be regarding these issues.

Steve Kozel (may call)
District Ranger - Bearlodge Ranger District
US Forest Service
PO Box 680
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Mr. Kozel is the District Ranger on the Bearlodge Ranger District. Substance of the testimony will be regarding Black Hills National Forest, botanical areas, inventoried roadless areas, and other land management activities.

The BHFRA would like to list the following exhibits as part of their testimony.

- USDA Forest Service – Black Hills National Forest 1997 Land and Resource Management Plan and all documents associated with its preparation and analysis including but not limited to:
 - Final Environmental Impact Statement
 - Record of Decision
 - Phase II Amendment
- United States Geological Survey. Black Hills Hydrology Study. June 2002.

I would like to reserve the right all witness and exhibit lists prior to the hearing. Thank you for the opportunity to become a party in the hearing.

Sincerely,

Carson Engelskirger
Forest Programs Manager