

Forest Service

## Sequoia National Forest Giant Sequoia National Monument

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Mr. Rene Voss 15 Alderney Road San Anselmo, CA 94960 E-mail: renepvoss@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Voss:

In your e-mail, dated July 9, you asked why we did not provide a Preliminary EA for the Rancheria Forest Restoration Project. We are not required to publish a preliminary or draft environmental assessment.

We are required to conduct a 30-day comment period on the project proposal under 36 CFR 215.6(a). The legal notice of proposed action and opportunity to comment was published in accordance with 36 CFR Section 215.5 on April 23, 2013.

The Rancheria Forest Restoration Project Proposed Action was published and mailed for a 30-day comment period on April 23, 2013. The comment period ended on May 23, 2013.

Thank you for your comments which we received on May 23.

Sincerely,

KEVIN B. ELLIOTT Forest Supervisor

