March 16, 2012

Erick J. Walker, District Ranger
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Re: Schweitzer Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project

Dear Erick,

The Kinnikinnick Native Plant Society appreciates the opportunity to comment on this project. We are in support of the proposed changes as outlined in your March 2, 2012 letter and maps.

The changes in focus, the elimination of new road construction and reduction in total area impacted by treatment will reduce the introduction of invasive species and lessen disturbance of native vegetation. Of course, we continue to encourage all due care in avoiding possible introduction of invasive species in those areas treated.

We would appreciate remaining on your mailing list for documents and materials for this project, and receiving notice of any tour of the proposed treatment area planned. We likely will have interested members that would attend.

Thank you,

Gail Bolin
President