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Ruben Grijalva, Director  
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P.O. Box 944246  
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Attn: Tanya Aviles-Medeiros

Re: Jackson Advisory Group

Dear Director Grijalva:

Thank you for considering my application to serve as a member of the Jackson Demonstration State Forest Advisory Group. I believe my background and interests qualify me to serve under the categories of either 'environmental advocate' or 'local community.'

I have been involved in forest environmental issues since 1992 when I participated in Earth First! demonstrations against industrial logging on the Albion River. The wide range of support for the protests surprised me; that support included not just environmentalists, but also business people, other forest landowners and woods workers. I have continued to educate myself on forest issues and to advocate for sustainable forestry practices. But, having reflected on my early experiences during those times of intense "timbers wars", I have come to believe that successful forest management can happen only if it engages and educates a broad segment of the community that it affects.

I think that my interest in forestry of the last 16 years has given me a unique perspective that will be valuable to the collaborative and community focus of the advisory group.

Attached is my resume. Please call me if you need any further information.

Thank you for making available to the public this opportunity to engage in an exciting new direction for Jackson State.

Sincerely,

Linda Perkins

