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Randy Moore, Regional Forester  
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**Re: Memorandum of Understanding with Inyo County the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision**

Mr. Moore,

On behalf of the Inyo County Board of Supervisors, we are extremely disappointed at the Forest Service's inaction regarding the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) developed between our staffs last year for the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision. As indicated in my June 11, 2013 correspondence to you, we have worked extensively with your staff to craft the subject MOU. We are pleased with the draft document and believe that its development has strengthened our relationship. However, we are disheartened at the amount of time – since early winter – it is taking for the Forest Service to review and approve this important document so that it may be implemented in the spirit of early and often coordination with local agencies.

While we have been working with Forest Service staff to implement the intent of the Agreement, the Forest Service's inaction with the MOU and the need to maintain the schedule has relegated us the status of commenter, contrary to the clear intent of the Planning Rule, the spirit of the MOU, and the County's role as a cooperating agency. We again urge you to expedite review of the MOU so that both parties may act and focus on implementation as soon as possible.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact the County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, at (760) 878-0292 or at [kcarunchio@inyocounty.us](mailto:kcarunchio@inyocounty.us).

Sincerely,

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