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Dear Mr. Etnyre:

I am responding to your letter dated August 9, 2023, expressing interest in acquiring through direct sale, approximately 32 acres of Forest Service administrative lands located near Truckee, California. The Forest Service has received interest both from the Truckee Tahoe Airport and another qualified government entity.

As described in our letter to you dated July 6th, 2023, since the Forest Service has received interest from more than one party for a direct sale, the lands will be proposed for sale through a competitive bid public auction facilitated by the General Services Administration (GSA). For the proposed auction, a minimum opening bid would be established by the Forest Service through a market analysis conducted by our Regional Appraiser. The auction would remain open to the public until bidding slows and the highest acceptable bid is approved by our appraiser.

The Forest Service will be conducting an environmental review process and offering opportunities for public comments on the proposed sale of the lands. If a final decision is made to move forward with the sale, the Forest Service will publish the Invitation for Bid (IFB) on the GSA real property disposal website, https://disposal.gsa.gov/s/. The IFB describes how to set up the bidder registration, overview of the sale process, and specific information on properties such as outstanding rights, reservations, and hazardous materials inspections.

We will inform you in advance of the timing of any auction held when that information becomes available in case you remain interested in purchasing the property through the competitive sale process. We expect that it would be several months before the property is published on the GSA website for bidding. Please contact Jonathan Cook-Fisher, Truckee District Ranger, for questions or more information at (530) 721-3007 or jonathan.fisher@usda.gov.

Thank you for your interest in purchasing these excess administrative lands.

Sincerely

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cc: Jonathan Cook-Fisher



