



January 14, 2009

Subject: David Elpi recommendation

To: Whom It May Concern

Dave Elpi has worked on Deschutes National Forest logging jobs for approximately thirty years.

Some of his most recent employment on Sisters Ranger District has been the hand felling of salvage sales on B&B and Eyerly fires; working for B&S Logging Company as their lead hand faller and employed with Butte Timberlands. He has also purchased small wood sales of his own.

This last year Dave cleaned up a firwood sale that was not his originally. The Purchaser would have defaulted on the sale without Dave's intervention. His actions saved the government time and money.

I have known Dave personally for around 30 years and have always known him as being an honest, forthright individual that follows through with his word. He takes pride in his work which is evident in the high quality product that he produces when his work is complete. He is very easy to work with requiring minimal administration time on my part.

Dave is always welcome to work on the Deschutes and I would highly recommend his performance on any project he may endeavor to accomplish.

If you have an further questions I can be contacted at 541-549-7722.

Sincerely,

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Timber Sale Administator
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