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TO: Land Conservation and Development Commission

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SOUTHERN OREGON REGIONAL PILOT PROGRAM (EO 12-07)

Douglas, Jackson and Josephine counties are all working hard on the initial tasks of the Southern Oregon Regional Pilot Program grant contract as follows.

**Task 2. Project Organization** The counties have collaboratively prepared a report on the current statutory and administrative rule provisions regarding farm and forest protection relevant to the Pilot Program. This task was to be completed by January 15 per the Grant Contract. A draft was completed late last week and is currently being reviewed by the department.

**Task 3. Ongoing Project Administration and Oversight** A website for the Pilot Program has been created by the RVCOG (http://soregionalpilot.org/). Jackson and Josephine counties have formed their Technical Advisory Committees (TAC). The Josephine County TAC met last on March 7, for the first of five meetings. The first of six meetings for Jackson County has been scheduled for March 19. Jackson County appointed LCDC Commissioner Lamb to its TAC. Douglas County has not completed the selection process for its TAC.

**Task 4. Data Acquisition – Mapping and Associated Data** All three counties are gathering data and preparing the base mapping for this task. The department has been coordinating with the participating state agencies to supply the counties with necessary state data. Josephine County’s only GIS staff person recently resigned, so Josephine County has now contracted with Jackson County to complete this task. This will likely be the case for all remaining GIS mapping and analysis duties. This task was scheduled to be completed by March 8.

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