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RE: LHTF Harvest Plan Approval

Dear Hinesburg Select Board:

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Several weeks ago I received the final version of the Improvement Salvage Project Plan for the LaPlatte Headwaters Town Forest as prepared by Keith Thompson, Chittenden County Forester. As you know, the 2009 management plan approval was condition upon the submittal and approval of detailed timber harvest plans before any harvesting projects were implemented. I think Keith did an excellent job of integrating the enhancement of Indian Bat habitat (a primary purpose of the Grant) within the context of the harvest.

Please consider this letter your formal approval for the harvest plan. This will serve as an excellent example of integrating habitat, timber and recreational goals. I look forward to visiting the harvest once it is completed.

I continue to enjoy working with the town on the stewardship of the LHTF. If you have any questions about the Grant or how it relates to the town's management of the land please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at the St. Johnsbury office address and phone number shown in the left margin of this page or by e-mail at dan@vlt.org.

Sincerely,

Daniel Kilborn
Stewardship Forester

c: Kris Hammer, VHCB
Steve Russell, Town Forest Committee Chair
Keith Thompson, Chittenden County Forester

