

reducing unit costs.

Region 10 Timber Supply.--The Committee notes that over the last ten years the timber supply in Region 10 has been constrained to less than ten percent of the allowable sale quantity in the current land management plan. As a result, numerous mills have closed. In an effort to restore confidence in the timber supply and foster and allow investment in new facilities, the Forest Service pledged to prepare and offer four 10-year timber sales each with a volume of 150-200 million board feet. The agency recently converted the first two timber sales to smaller stewardship projects. These projects will neither restore confidence, nor will they allow investment in new facilities. The Committee directs the Forest Service to prepare and offer, within two years, the four 10-year timber sales as promised.

Vegetation and Watershed Management.--The Committee recommends \$187,646,000 for Vegetation and Watershed Management, \$3,600,000 above the fiscal year 2012 enacted level.

Wildlife and Fish Habitat Management.--The Committee recommends \$142,736,000 for Wildlife and Fish Habitat Management, \$2,700,000 above the fiscal year 2012 enacted level. The Committee directs the Service to increase monitoring of threatened and endangered fish and their habitat, especially in grazing allotments, and expects funding from this program to be allocated for this purpose.

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund.--The Committee recommends \$40,000,000, for the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund (CFLR), as requested, \$64,000 above the fiscal year 2012 enacted level. The Committee has been supportive of the CFLR program in the past but is concerned about the lengthy time frame to implement projects and achieve positive outcomes. The Committee directs the Forest Service to report to the Committee within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the implementation of CFLR-funded projects and the outcomes of those projects to date. The report should include performance measures as described in the CFLR 2011 Annual Report accomplishment form available on the Forest Service's website.

Bill Language.--The Committee includes language in Title IV General Provisions including: (1) Section 426 extending the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group for one year; (2) Section 427 extending the 'Good Neighbor Cooperative Conservation Authority' to all Western States for five years; (3) Section 428 directing the Forest Service to identify three acres for small communities to build a fire station; (4) Section 429 extending cost recovery authorities for the Forest Service regarding special uses; (5) Section 430 streamlining the administration of interpretative associations by the Forest Service; (6) Section 432 allowing designation by description and prescription for forest management; (7) Section 437 clarifying notice, comment, and appeals for categorical exclusions; and, (8) Section 438 prohibiting the use of appropriated funds to close areas open to recreational hunting and shooting as of January 1, 2012.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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| Appropriation enacted, 2012..... | \$394,089,000 |
| Budget estimate, 2013.....       | 346,379,000   |
| Recommended, 2013.....           | 356,086,000   |
| Comparison:                      |               |
| Appropriation, 2012.....         | -38,003,000   |
| Budget estimate, 2013.....       | +9,707,000    |

The Committee recommends \$356,086,000 for Capital Improvement and Maintenance, \$38,003,000 below the fiscal year 2012 enacted level and \$9,707,000 above the budget request.