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Crystal Village Homeowners Assoc.
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RE: Planned herbicide application withdrawn, (Gold Hill West A & Gold Hill West G units, Section 24, Twp. 19N, Rge. 09E, W.M.)

Unfortunately, my actions to notify members of the Crystal Village Homeowners Association (CVA) about Hancock Forest Management's (HFM) planned herbicide applications on the Gold Hill West G and Gold Hill West A treatment units caused concern. Please be aware that was not my intention and for that I apologize. Out of respect for the concerns expressed by some members of the CVA HFM has reconsidered our plans to use herbicides on the Gold Hill West G and Gold Hill West A units. In addition, HFM has filed an amendment with the Department of Natural Resources to drop the Gold Hill West unit from Forest Practices Permit number 2418792.

Although herbicides are safe and effective when used properly we understand the concern created when herbicides, toxic to plants, are applied to manage natural ecosystems. Please understand that at HFM we do everything we can to meet and exceed legal requirements when conducting our forest management actions.

At HFM we strive to develop and to maintain a good relationship with our neighbors. So in an effort to foster better relations with our Crystal Village neighbours we will improve our communications with you. In addition, we will seek input regarding our management activities that could directly impact Crystal Village.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randy Roeh".

Randy Roeh
Senior Forester, Hancock Forest Management