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**Weyerhaeuser properties**

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Ross,

The KLPF will no longer be pursuing direct purchase of the subject Weyerhaeuser property(s). Your marketing of these properties has confounded me. You have reconfigured (parcel size) the roughly 240 acres over time, never fully describing "what's for sale and at what price". First there were 80 acre parcels for sale, then 120 ac parcels. Finally, you indicated KLPF could make an offer on any configuration. This marketing approach--perhaps an effort to maximize sale price--may work for you and your client, but not for KLPF. KLPF buys land for conservation purposes; the Fund cannot win a bidding war with land developers. Moreover, when I asked you whether the initial parceling met muster under Klickitat County's short plat ordinance, you emailed that Klickitat County gave "preliminary approval". Apparently that claim turned out not to be true. I'm not privy to all the facts regarding this issue, but it's given me reason to pause.

There is no personal gain for me regarding the Weyerhaeuser situation. My interest has and continues to be, ensuring that this property remains in resource (timber) production, and that the portion which is within the White Salmon Nat'l Scenic River management area comes into public ownership, to further scenic river protection. To that end I asked Western Rivers to intercede. For reasons that I would like to better understand, their effort failed.

Weyerhaeuser acquired this property from Longview Fiber. Rather than manage this land for sustainable forest management, or sell to an entity that would, the company has liquidated the forest resource and is now selling off their land, at prices only land developers can afford, before they're out the door. How can this possibly be justified, given the specter of climate change that is upon us.

I encourage both you and your client to work to the same ends that I have. I believe you told me you are a river advocate. If so, surely you can appreciate the WSNSR and the nearly 40 years of work by local conservationists, including me, to protect the river from being overrun by development.

Dennis White