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Mr. Greg West Contract Saw Instructor 1670 Maggie Valley Rd. Fayette, AL 35555

Dear Mr. West:

This letter approves/authorizes you, as a professional consultant Chain Saw Instructor, to assist with Forest Service chain saw training consistent with Forest Service Saw Program as outlined in the Health and Safety Code Handbook (FSH 6709.11) and the National Saw Policy (FSM 2358). This authorization is for a three-year term with an expiration date of March 19, 2022.

This authorization is at the C Sawyer level based on:

- 1. References from C-Evaluators and cooperators.
- 2. Past performance as a saw instructor.
- 3. Ability to effectively work with trainees to provide saw training.
- 4. Knowledge of Occupational Safety and Health Administration and Forest Service safety and training requirements.
- 5. Demonstration of saw skills, instructor skills, and Forest Service saw policy in the presence of a Forest Service C-Evaluator.

You are to provide training and field evaluations of Forest Service employees, volunteers, and cooperators working/operating under an agreement with the Forest Service. Field evaluators are not authorized to certify personnel, but may provide training and make recommendations for certification. The students receiving training must receive final certification from a Forest Service approving officer group certifying official, if applicable, as stated in the National Saw Policy.

If you have questions, please contact Regional Chain Saw/Crosscut Saw Program Coordinator Ernie Wiltsie ewiltsie@fs.fed.us at (814) 728-6126.

Sincerely,

KATHLEEN ATKINSON

Regional Forester Eastern Region

cc: Kevin Gappert, Ernie Wiltsie

