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Mr. James L. Caswell
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Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter of June 7, 2020, regarding the National Association of Forest Service Retirees' continued support for reforestation and improved forest regeneration efforts on public and private lands.

USDA continues to support and participate in the Trillion Trees Initiative. We very much appreciate Rich Guldin's "Forest Regeneration: Links in the Chain and Key Bottlenecks" report. The report has been distributed to the Forest Service Trillion Trees Team members, who find it to be very useful. I will use the report as I participate in White House discussions on how the U.S. Government can support the Trillion Trees Initiative and share it with Members of Congress and stakeholders working with us to advance the Trillion Trees Initiative.

Thank you for your timely work and continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James E. Hubbard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James E. Hubbard
Under Secretary