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A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRS:

Never in our lifetimes, and we are sure in yours, has there been such a challenging time. While we try to stay well informed about the pandemic here at home and around the world, in our minds we still want to believe things will return to normal in a month or two.

It’s hard to comprehend the change in how we live today compared to a month ago. Many of our freedoms are gone, our confidence about the future is shaken, and our anxiety level is at an all-time high. Who could have predicted or imagined such a thing?

What we want you to know is, your leadership and the Board of Directors, will stay engaged and vigilant on the issues important to the Association during this time. We will do our best to represent the interests of the National Forests and Grasslands without putting members at risk.

That is really our key point, we should all focus on our personal health and safety and that of our loved ones. NAFSR business can wait, for now, but once the situation improves, we will reinvigorate our efforts and put our issues, interests, and positions back on the front burner of Washington, DC decisions makers.

Larry and I want to thank each one of you for your support and wish you and your family health and peace of mind during these trying times. Be safe!

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