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Subject: Archibald Timber Sale, Unit #2
To: District Ranger, Seeley Lake R.D.

On December 23, 1997, unit 2 of the Archibald Timber Sale was visited to determine the skid trail locations to be used in order to protect the wet riparian areas within the unit. After looking over the unit several very good locations were designated so that all riparian areas would be protected.

The upland soils are frozen at this time in all areas except the riparian. This has happened because there was no or very little snow cover early within the winter season and the cold weather has driven the frost into the ground. This is an unusual event in the Seeley Lake area but because it exist, harvest activity beginning soon will provide the added protection to the soils. Due to the frozen ground, compaction is not a concern.

If there are additional questions please feel free to contact John Casselli in the watershed group.

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