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Hi Valerie,

Many thanks for copying me.

The steepness of the upper portions of the old truck road to the USFS lands make it very challenging to stabilize and maintain.

I believe that is why the USFS essentially gave up on the maintenance.

A much less steep location might be found to provide the access Don needs. That was not and could not be part of the grant.

In any event, the maintenance of erosion control structures in functioning condition to prevent soil erosion and stream sedimentation in compliance with the AMPs, wherever the sugaring access lands, ought to be a consideration of the the lease agreement.

I am happy to help.

Best,

David Brynn

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Hi Don,

I was planning to have this on the Dec. 16 Selectboard agenda. I expect there will be no problem renewing the lease; however, I do want to bring your concerns to the Selectboard's attention to see what, if anything, can be done to address them.

--Valerie

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Vallerie;

Was wondering if anything transpired or was discussed at the select board meeting regarding Seth Hill - work that was done. We will be getting started in the woods shortly getting ready for the next sugar season.

Thank You  
Respectively  
Don

Don Gale

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