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Dear Oil, Gas and Mineral Operators:

It has come to my attention that the application of the laws, regulations and policies governing the proper disposal of mineral materials off of National Forest System lands have not been appropriately applied on the Allegheny National Forest.

To remedy this, I have directed my District Rangers, as of the date of this letter, to cease issuance of Notice to Proceeds that include the removal of mineral material from pits located on National Forest System lands unless procedures for disposing of mineral material owned by the United States have been followed as outlined in 36 CFR 228, Subpart C and FSM 2850.

Please work directly with the District Ranger for requests involving the need for mineral material. If you feel your deed for outstanding or reserved mineral rights includes removal of mineral materials as defined in 36 CFR 228 Subpart C please provide a copy of that deed so we may work through proper procedures to ensure compliance.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Leanne M. Marten*  
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