

## Exhibit A

### MERA – 3120 FIREBREAK

### LOGGING / PRE-COMMERCIAL THINNING / SLASH MASTICATION

### SPECIFICATIONS

#### **Thinning / Logging Specifications**

- 1) Contractor shall select and leave uncut the best formed trees of good vigor that will achieve a minimum spacing of **25 feet** between the boles of trees and a crown spacing of 10 feet between crowns.
- 2) Trees to cut include any and all trees needed to achieve the spacing goals as specified in item 1. Non-merchantable trees may be piled and burned or masticated.
- 3) Trees of nearly equal height, diameter, and vigor will be ranked in priority for leave by species as follows:
  1. Western Larch
  2. Douglas fir
  3. Ponderosa pine
  4. Grand fir
  5. Lodgepole pine

#### **Slash Mastication Specifications**

- 1) Contractor shall masticate or slash-bust all thinned trees to a maximum size of 1 foot in length and 4 inches in diameter or equivalent volume.
- 2) Contractor shall masticate or slash-bust all shrubs to a maximum height of 1 foot.
- 3) Contractor shall direct slash chunks away from all trails and roads and avoid damage to trails and roads.