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Richard A. Johnstone, President  
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Dear Rick,

Creating habitats for pollinators and other wildlife is critical to the healthy functioning of managed ecosystems. As Habitats Program Manager at the National Wildlife Federation, I am happy to support Integrated Vegetation Management Partners and Ecosystem Management research and workshops.

As co-chairs of the North American Pollinator Protection Campaign Rights-of-Way Task Force, we will develop ways in which these workshops can reach a greater breadth of audiences and sites throughout the United States. Documenting more sustainable and wildlife-friendly ways to maintain rights-of-way habitats may result in thousands of acres of wildlife habitat restored, and will have very positive impacts on wildlife populations affected by rapid habitat loss. Your work provides a scientifically sound approach towards management that promotes economic and ecological benefits to both people and wildlife.

I look forward to working with you and our colleagues in the NAPPC Rights-of-Way Task Force to partner with corporations and public agencies and implement your practices in the field.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kimberly Winter".

Kimberly Winter, Ph.D.  
Habitats Program Manager  
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