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Sorenson are copies of the landowners' proposal submitted to BLM at the workshop.

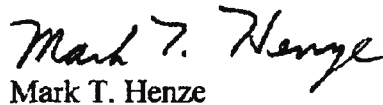
At your convenience, I will be happy to work with you and your respective staffs on the details of our proposal. I also suggest we consider scheduling a field trip for early spring to get everyone more familiar with the Tucker Zone and local landowners.

If things come together as we hope, a few members of the Bay Area Mineralogists may want to tag along with the Ventana Wilderness Society tours in the Tucker Zone. Their President, Bill Spence, expressed an interest in our proposal so I am including his contact information at the end of this letter.

While we wait for BLM's response, the landowners are gathering public support letters for our proposal. If our proposal, or something similar, is acceptable to BLM, the landowners would like to proceed even if adoption or implementation of the new CCMA Management Plan is delayed due to appeals or litigation by others. I think we can continue to work together towards the same objective under the existing CCMA Management Plan, but I would like Mr. Cooper's advice on this point.

At your convenience, please let me know if you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding our proposal. There are obviously a lot of details that will have to be addressed as matters progress.

Sincerely,



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