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Dear FIRST STRIKE ENVIRONMENTAL-MEDFORD,

As our families gather to celebrate the holidays, please allow me the opportunity to express my deep personal gratitude for the hard work done by community contractors like yourself on the Tiller Complex fires. It was a historic year for our Ranger District, and the part that I will always remember is the camaraderie and dedication of all of those firefighters and support personnel. Contractors, like yourself, played a huge role in our success and safety record. It truly was a privilege to work with you and I look forward to working with you in the future.

We have so much to give thanks for this year, and at the top of the list is the fact that thousands of firefighting and support personnel are safe at home with their families enjoying the holidays. We were very blessed to only have one serious injury on the fire and I am pleased to report that she is progressing well.

Again, please accept my gratitude and best wishes for the holidays to you and your loved ones.

Warmly,

JILL A. DUFOUR
District Ranger

