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Dear Officers:

The *Hugo Emigrant Trails Committee* is pleased to provide you its May 2005 action plan to inventory and map the Applegate Trail in the Hugo region. This is a long-term plan and, as always, depends on the interest, availability, and commitment of volunteers. Their actual level of involvement as a volunteer is up to them. They would be donating their time and they are in control of the act of giving and being involved.

The success of the plan also depends on the interest of our neighbors who own approximately 90 percent of the land the Applegate Trail is located on. It is their land and interested participating neighbors are the key to accurately inventorying, marking, and monitoring our emigrant trails. Outreach to neighbors is extremely important because it identifies the *Hugo Neighborhood* as a responsible organization. While we want to mark and preserve the trails, we want to do it in a manner which engenders hospitality, rather than hostility, from the property owners. *Trails Committee* members will never enter private property without permission.

In summary we have advanced to a high degree of proficiency in developing an operational methodology to investigate, verify, and map the Applegate Trail. We have dedicated volunteers networking with key stakeholders such as representatives from the Oregon-California Trails Association and the Oregon Heritage Conservation Division, State Historic Preservation Office, Parks & Recreation Department. We also have in place a public outreach & educational brochure program for our emigrant trails and its companion web page program.

Sincerely,

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