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To Whom It May Concern:

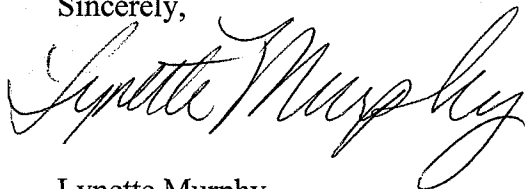
Continental Earthworks, under the leadership of Scott Pottratz, provided chainsaw training classes for the AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps in Denver Colorado. NCCC is a national service program whose members performs a wide range of projects in the areas of disaster response, the environment, energy efficiency, infrastructure and rural & urban development.

From an instructional view, Scott and his team did a great job of tailoring the curriculum to the needs of our group, providing clear explanations and visual examples of key concepts around preparation, site assessment, cutting techniques safety and maintenance. Safety is critical to our program, and the attention paid to ensuring that our members, young adults ages 18-26, learned and practice effective prevention and protection measures was excellent.

The instructors provided these young people with both classroom and hands-on sessions that developed their skills in chainsaw use, and the confidence to tackle chainsaw challenges in forest and disaster response settings. It takes patience and awareness to work with large groups of young people, and we couldn't have been more pleased with the instruction received. As one of the members said, "The instructors were amazing!"

From an administrative view, Scott met all the requirements of our contract, providing quick response, thoughtful planning, problem-solving, fiscal constraint, and the flexibility to adjust plans to ensure all goals were met. He provided prompt feedback on the individual and group performance which further increased our confidence in our instructors and their students!

Sincerely,



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