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To whom it may concern,

It is a pleasure for me to recommend Sean Murphy for employment. Sean worked for the Boulder Ranger District during the 2011 summer season as a member of the Invasive Plants field crew. Sean demonstrated impeccable character, dependability, leadership, and a strong work ethic.

Sean was awarded the 2011 Boulder Ranger District Safe Seasonal Employee of the Year, even though it was his first season working for the District and usually more experienced employees win this award. Sean consistently emphasized and practiced safety on the job throughout the season. Safety is critical in every job at the District, and especially important on the Invasive Plants crew because of the work with herbicide and different types of equipment. Sean was diligent about wearing appropriate gear, checking equipment, and mentoring others to work safely, including volunteers and an employee who started later in the summer.

In addition to taking initiative and showing leadership with safety, Sean took the lead in other aspects of his job. He arrived early or on time, ready to work, and got started with daily tasks such as checking weather and organizing crew supplies needed for the day. He maintained critical field records and transferred field data to summary formats at the office.

Sean's backcountry experience and first responder training, along with his calm, level-headed nature, instilled confidence in others who worked with him, particularly in more remote field locations. He worked well with employees and volunteers, demonstrating solid leadership and interpersonal skills with an occasional dose of humor.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Beverly Baker at 303-541-2517.

Sincerely,

TREY SCHILLIE
District Ranger



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