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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Contracting with the Federal Government

#### Hoosier National Forest hosts government contracting workshop

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**Bedford, IN—January 22, 2009** On January 29, from 2:00 to 6:30 p.m. ET, the Hoosier National Forest will host a workshop on “Contracting with the Federal Government” at the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce, 116 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Bedford, Indiana.

The workshop will cover the federal government contracting process and provide information that business’ or organizations would need to compete for contracts with the federal government, and in particular, the Hoosier National Forest. Presentations will be made by the Lawrence County Economic Growth Council, the US Small Business Administration, and the Hoosier National Forest

“Upon completing the workshop, participants will know the process for competing for federal contracts,” said Mark Corse, Contracting Officer for the Hoosier National Forest. “The Economic Stimulus Plan currently under discussion by Congress may provide contracting opportunities, and we are hoping the workshop results in a list of potential contractors ready to compete for work.”

Becoming eligible to compete for federal government contracts can take several weeks, according to Corse. Contractors have to be registered in a number of electronic systems in order to be considered for government contract work.

For more information, or to sign up for the free workshop, contact Mark Corse at (812) 276-4729. Space is limited.