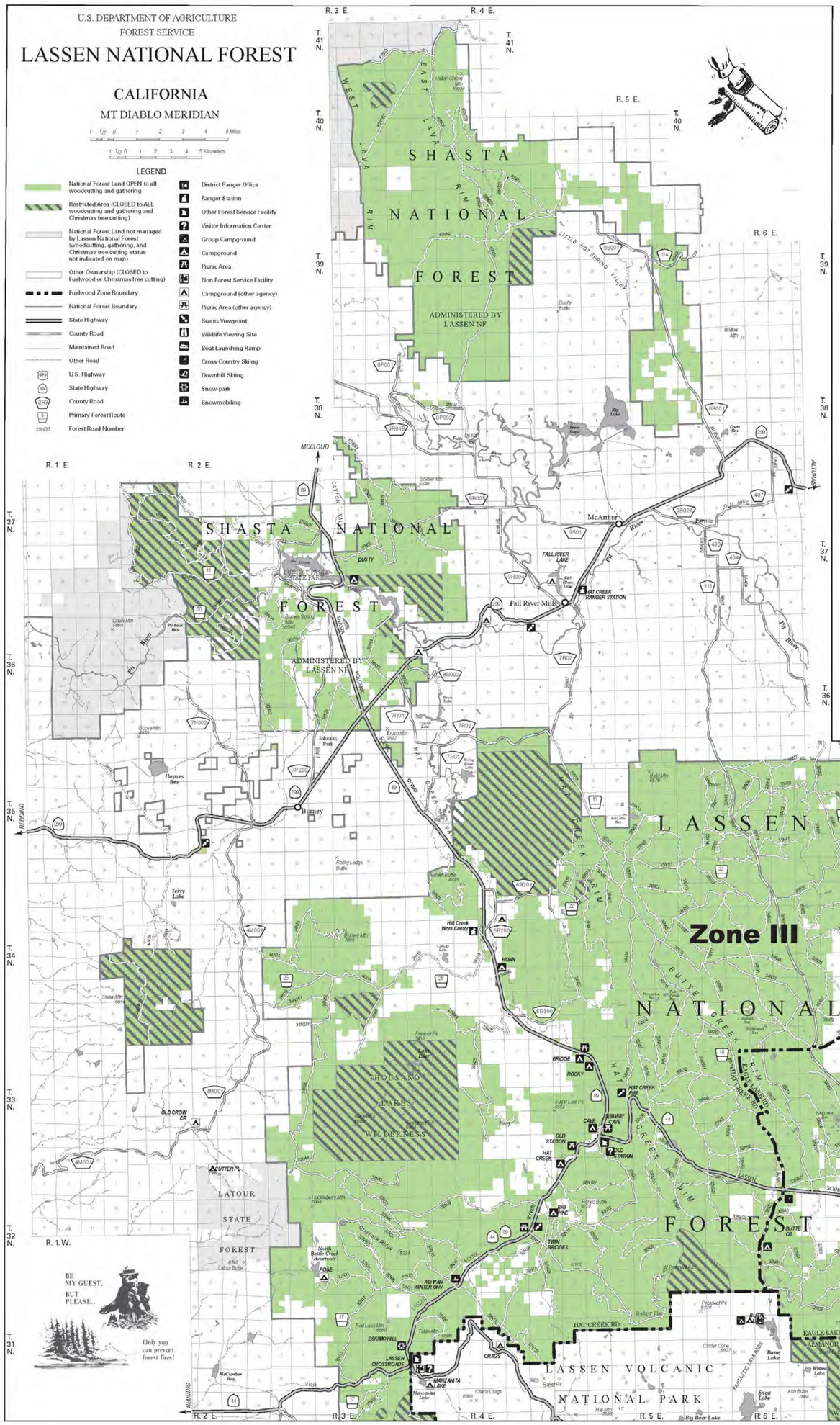

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PERSONAL FUELWOOD AND CHRISTMAS TREE CUTTING MAP

November 1, 2016 – December 31, 2017

Map and fuelwood tags or Christmas tree permits are a part of your cutting permit and must be in your possession while cutting and transporting your wood or Christmas tree.

For woodcutting and Christmas tree cutting permits and additional information please visit the nearest Lassen National Forest Office:

Hat Creek Ranger District
(Woodcutting Zone III)
P.O. Box 220
43225 E. Hwy 299
Fall River Mills, CA 96028
24-hour number:
(530) 336-5521
TTY: (530) 336-5521

Almanor Ranger District
(Woodcutting Zone IV)
P.O. Box 767
900 E. Hwy 36
Chester, CA 96020
24-hour number:
(530) 258-2141
TTY: (530) 258-2141

Eagle Lake Ranger District
(Woodcutting Zone V)
477-050 Eagle Lake Road
Susanville, CA 96130
24-hour number:
(530) 257-4188

Forest Supervisor's Office
2550 Riverside Drive
Susanville, CA 96130
(530) 257-2151
TTY (530) 257-6244

Permittee is required to call the 24-hour numbers above for current restrictions on the District where cutting will be done, regardless of where permit was purchased.

Forest Service

Motor Vehicle Use Restrictions

1. Wheeled motorized vehicles may not be used off of authorized Forest Service roads or motorized trails to scout for fuelwood, but they may be used to retrieve cut wood if they cause no harm such as soil disturbance or vegetation damage.
2. Not all Forest Service roads and trails that are open to motor vehicle use are shown on this Fuelwood and Christmas tree cutting map. Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUM) are available from the Lassen National Forest. The MVUM show National Forest System roads and motorized trails that are designated for motor vehicle use.

Fuelwood Cutting Restrictions

1. Prior to cutting, Permittee is required to call the 24-hour numbers (see cover) for current restrictions on the District where cutting will be done, regardless of where permit was purchased.
2. Down or dead wood on the ground or standing (snags) may not be cut or removed:
   - When marked with wildlife signs, or other official signs.
   - When marked with paint except for downed lodgepole.
   - In areas closed to firewood cutting or restricted on Zone maps.
   - Where "Cutting Prohibited" or similar signs are posted.
   - In Timber Sale areas or other commercial operations signed "No Woodcutting".
   - In Forest Service Recreation Sites, Trailhead Parking areas, or Wild & Scenic River Areas.
3. Any snag within 100 feet of a paved road or highway or within 200 feet of a railroad or powerline may not be cut. This also applies to green Juniper in Hat Creek - Zone III.
4. Fuelwood cut under the attached permit is intended for PERSONAL USE ONLY and is NOT FOR RESALE.

Species Restrictions

1. Dead ponderosa pine, Jeffrey-pine, sugar pine, white fir, Douglas-fir, red fir, incense-cedar and juniper may be felled if they are 20 inches in diameter (63 inches circumference) or less measured 4½ feet above the ground.
2. Dead lodgepole pine may be felled regardless of size.
3. No standing hardwood species, live or dead may be felled.
4. Green juniper (Hat Creek - Zone III ONLY) may be felled if they are 20 inches in diameter (63 inches circumference) or less measured 4½ feet above the ground.

Recommended Fuelwood Utilization Standards and Slash Treatment

1. Cut and remove the entire tree bole to a 3 inch top.
2. Tops and branches should be lopped and scattered down to within 18 inches of the ground.

Zone III

Zone V

Zone IV

Plumas N.F.

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Christmas Tree Cutting Restrictions

1. Wheeled motorized vehicles may not be used off of authorized Forest Service roads or motorized trails to harvest Christmas trees.
2. Not all Forest Service roads and trails that are open to authorized motor vehicle use are shown on this Fuelwood and Christmas tree cutting map. Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUM) are available from the Lassen National Forest. The MVUM show National Forest System roads and motorized trails that are designated for motor vehicle use.
3. Obtain a permit from a local District Forest Service Office or authorized vendor.
4. Permit must be signed by the permittee to be valid.
5. Do NOT cut trees larger then 6 inches in diameter (19 inches circumference) measured at ground level. Hint: 6 inches is the length of paper currency.
6. Leave a stump height of no higher than 12 inches (measured at ground level) and remove remaining branches from the stem.
7. Attach the permit to the main stem in such a way that it must be broken to be removed from the tree.
8. Attach permit to tree so that it is visible during transit.
9. Permit must remain on the tree while transporting.
10. Have your permit with you when you cut and transport the tree and show it to a Peace Officer or Forest Service Officer, should they ask.
11. Permittee must be present when tree is cut and removed.

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- National Forest Land OPEN to all woodcutting and gathering
- Restricted Area (CLOSED to ALL woodcutting and gathering and Christmas tree cutting)
- Christmas Tree Cutting Restricted Area (CLOSED to Christmas tree cutting)
- National Forest Land not managed by Lassen National Forest (woodcutting, gathering, and Christmas tree cutting status not indicated on map)
- Other Ownership (CLOSED to Fuelwood or Christmas Tree cutting)
- Fuelwood Zone Boundary
- National Forest Boundary
- State Highway
- County Road
- Maintained Road
- Other Road
- U.S. Highway
- State Highway
- County Road
- Primary Forest Route
- Forest Road Number

- District Ranger Office
- Ranger Station
- Other Forest Service Facility
- Visitor Information Center
- Group Campground
- Campground
- Picnic Area
- Non-Forest Service Facility
- Campground (other agency)
- Picnic Area (other agency)
- Scenic Viewpoint
- Wildlife Viewing Site
- Boat Launching Ramp
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Downhill Skiing
- Snow-park
- Snowmobiling

1 1/2 0 1 2 3 4 5 Miles
1 1/2 0 1 2 3 4 5 Kilometers

Keeping your tree fresh…

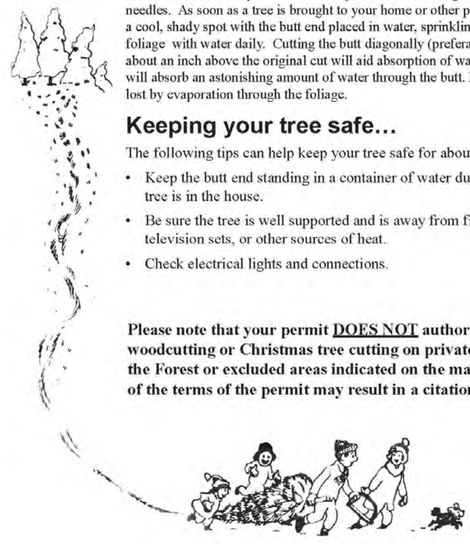
Because trees begin to lose moisture as soon as they are cut, they should be put into water as soon as possible. This helps avoid discoloring and drooping of the needles. As soon as a tree is brought to your home or other place of use, store it in a cool, shady spot with the butt end placed in water, sprinkling the branches and foliage with water daily. Cutting the butt diagonally (preferably with a saw) about an inch above the original cut will aid absorption of water. An evergreen will absorb an astonishing amount of water through the butt. Most of this is soon lost by evaporation through the foliage.

Keeping your tree safe…

The following tips can help keep your tree safe for about four to six weeks.

- Keep the butt end standing in a container of water during the time the tree is in the house.
- Be sure the tree is well supported and is away from fireplaces,radiators, television sets, or other sources of heat.
- Check electrical lights and connections.

Please note that your permit DOES NOT authorize woodcutting or Christmas tree cutting on private land within the Forest or excluded areas indicated on the map. Violations of the terms of the permit may result in a citation.



Merry Christmas - - - from the **LASSEN NATIONAL FOREST**

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