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Reward Offered for information on illegal dump on the ANF



Warren, Pa. (November 16, 2015) – The Allegheny National Forest is seeking help from the public to find the person(s) responsible for an illegal dump on Forest Service land. On November 5, 2015, ANF employees discovered what appeared to be residential/camp demolition materials dumped adjacent to Forest Service Road 325 (Jo Jo) near Kane in McKean County. Because this road is heavily traveled, staff believe the materials were dumped shortly before discovery.

The U.S. Forest Service is offering an award for up to \$500 for credible information leading to the arrest and conviction for the person(s) responsible for dumping these materials on Forest Service land.

If anyone has information about this criminal act, please contact the U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement at: 814.927.5797 or 814.927.5757. All information will remain confidential.

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