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## Allegheny National Forest Proposes Beanfields Safe Access Project

**Bradford, Pa.** (December 29, 2015) – The Allegheny National Forest’s Bradford Ranger District is proposing a series of actions to help resolve long-standing parking and access issues. Visitors have been parking along the shoulder of State Road 3022 near Irvine, Pennsylvania to access a portion the ANF’s Buckaloons Recreation Area. This area, known as the Beanfields, is popular with recreationists.

To provide more convenient and safer parking options, the Forest Service is proposing to:

- Upgrade a short section of Forest Service Road 201
- Move the existing gate on Road 201, and
- Construct a small parking lot adjacent to the 201 Road.

Comments regarding this project are requested by January 18, 2016. A complete description of the proposed action and maps are available at:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48247>.

For more information about this project, please contact Ava Turnquist at 814.363.6086 or [aturnquist@fs.fed.us](mailto:aturnquist@fs.fed.us).

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