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### **Public Comment Sought for Bogus Basin Forest Health Project**

Mountain Home, Idaho – The Boise National Forest is seeking public comment for a forest health improvement project in the vicinity of Bogus Basin Mountain Resort. Formal public comment opportunities will be available through April 11, 2016.

The proposal being developed in conjunction with the Bogus Basin Mountain Resort, is called the Bogus Basin Forest Health Project. It involves approximately 3,700 acres in the Resort permit area and on adjacent lands, primarily in the Mountain Home Ranger District. The project is being proposed to address public safety concerns within the developed recreation site and along trails while improving forest health and resilience to wildland fires in adjoining National Forest System lands.

An open house style public meeting will be held to introduce the project. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 16, 2016 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Boise Senior Center, 690 Robbins Road. Forest resource specialists will be available to discuss the proposal and the public will have the opportunity to provide written comment at the meeting or later at their convenience.

“We have been working with a multi-interest group called the Boise Forest Coalition on the issues of forest health, public recreation and safety around the ski resort for several months,” said Stephaney Kerley, Mountain Home District Ranger. “The Coalition’s input has been incorporated into the proposal.”

Kerley added that the long-term goal is to ensure that the popular recreation area will continue to provide rewarding and varied experiences for the public.

Written comments can be submitted to Mountain Home Ranger District, Attention: Bogus Basin Forest Health Project, 3080 Industrial Way, Mountain Home, ID 83647. More information will be published as it becomes available at:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47956>

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