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Allegheny National Forest Proposing Salvage Timber Harvest

Marienville, Pa. (June 10, 2016) – The Allegheny National Forest’s Marienville Ranger District is proposing a salvage timber harvest to remove trees damaged by a June 2015 windstorm. The 200-acre project area is located in Forest County’s Charles Fox Township and 2993 Warrants of Howe Township.

“One of the Forest Plan objectives is to use salvage sales to achieve multiple use objectives and recover timber value following events that kill or damage trees, such as insect infestation, disease, ice, wind, fire, or other catastrophic event,” said District Ranger said Rob Fallon. “We invite the public to read the materials that are posted on our website and share their comments with us.”

The Forest Service is currently accepting scoping comments on the proposed action and treatments. Your comments are important, and may be used to modify or develop alternatives to the proposed action. Information about this project can be found at: at <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=49592>. Comments may be submitted by:

- **Mail:** Robert T. Fallon, District Ranger, Marienville Ranger District, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239
- **Fax:** 814.927.2285
- **Email:** comments-eastern-allegheny-marienville@fs.fed.us. Electronic comments must be submitted in plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), portable document format (.pdf) Word (.doc or .docx), or any other format supported by Microsoft Office applications. Please enter the project name (*Rocky Run Salvage project*) on the subject line and include your name and physical mailing address with your comments.
- **Hand-delivered and verbal comments** may be submitted at the Marienville Ranger District, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239 or by calling 814.927.5700 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding holidays.

Comments are requested by July 11, 2016. Comments received after this date will be considered to the extent that time allows. Comments received, including names and addresses of those who submitted comments, will be considered part of the public record and will be available for public inspection.

For additional information, please contact Kevin Treese, Planning Team Leader, at 814.927.5759 or email at ktreese@fs.fed.us.

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