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## Mendocino National Forest to offer Christmas tree permits starting Nov. 1st

**WILLOWS, Calif.; October 25, 2016 – For Immediate Release** – Christmas tree permits will be available for purchase at Mendocino National Forest offices starting Tuesday, Nov. 1 and continuing until Friday, Dec. 23, 2016. Permits sell for \$10.00 each with a limit of one permit per household. The number of permits is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Permits are good for this year only and trees can be cut and removed any day of the week through **December 24. All offices will be closed on Thanksgiving Day Nov. 24, but will be open on Friday, Nov. 25.**

As part of the *Every Kid in a Park* initiative, all fourth graders are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit upon presenting a valid fourth grade pass. The pass allows free access to federal lands and waters across the country for a full year. To obtain a free Christmas tree permit, the fourth grader must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and present their fourth grade pass or paper voucher. For more information about this initiative and how to obtain a fourth grade pass, please visit [www.everykidinapark.gov](http://www.everykidinapark.gov).

Christmas tree permits will be available at the following:

Mendocino National Forest Supervisor's Office/Grindstone Ranger District Office  
825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988  
(530) 934-3316  
Hours: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Stonyford Work Center  
5171 Stonyford-Elk Creek Road, Stonyford, CA, 95979  
(530) 963-3128  
Hours: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

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Covelo Ranger Station  
78150 Covelo Road, Covelo, CA 95428  
(707) 983-6118  
Hours: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Upper Lake Ranger Station  
10025 Elk Mountain Road, Upper Lake, CA 95485  
(707) 275-2361  
Hours: Monday – Friday 8 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4:30 p.m.

Paskenta Work Station  
13280 Paskenta Road, Paskenta, CA 96074  
530-833-5544  
Hours: Saturday, Dec. 3 and Dec. 10 ONLY 9 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Permits may also be available from the following vendors; please call ahead to check:**

Sacramento River Discovery Center – Red Bluff  
(530) 524-1196  
Tuesday – Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 a.m.

Hi-Way Grocery – Upper Lake  
(707) 275-2380  
Monday – Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

M&M Feed and Supply – Covelo  
(707) 983-6273  
Monday – Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Keith’s Family Foods – Covelo  
(707) 983-6633  
Sunday – Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Individuals may also purchase a permit by mail. Mail-in requests received after December 14 will not be filled. The Mail Order Form is posted on the forest website: <http://tinyurl.com/h8x4hwd>.

Christmas tree cutting in the National Forest is managed as a recreational experience. It is a chance to take the family out into the woods and cut a tree the old-fashioned way. For more information, including tree cutting tips, please see the forest website <http://tinyurl.com/h5o8h3h> or call 530-934-3316.

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