

NEWS RELEASE

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PERSONAL USE FIREWOOD FOR SALE

Vernal, Utah (May 31, 2006) - Ashley National Forest personal use firewood permits will go on sale June 1 through December 20, 2006. Permits are sold at all Forest Service offices and certain vendors. In Vernal the vendors include: Davis Jubilee, In Lapoint: The Lapoint Country Store; In Hanna: Hanna Store; In Roosevelt: Stewarts Thriftway; The Flaming Gorge area: Trout Creek Flies, Flaming Gorge Lodge and the Flaming Gorge Market in Manila.

The minimum firewood permit is 4 cords and the price is \$25.00. A signed permit will need to be in your possession while gathering firewood. Before leaving the area where the wood is cut the product quantity removal record on the permit must be completed.

You will be receiving a Ranger District Travel Map with your firewood permit, instead of a separate firewood map. All designated routes within 300 feet either side of the roads identified on the travel plan maps will be open for fuelwood collection. Some areas will be restricted from cutting that are described in "Other Conditions" on the firewood permit or identified on the travel plan map.

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Safety should be the primary concern when gathering firewood. Be very careful when you are falling a tree and make sure all persons are clear from the area. Chainsaws need to be used correctly to ensure safety during your firewood outing.

All firewood areas will close December 20, 2006. For more information, please call the Ashley National Forest Supervisor's Office at (435) 789-1181 or stop by at 355 North Vernal Avenue.

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