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### **TEACHER WORKSHOP FOCUSES ON FIRE**

MISSOULA, MONT., April 1, 2003—Teachers of grades 1 through 10, home-school teachers, and youth leaders can take a free 23-hour workshop this summer that will enable them to use an educational resource recently developed at the Fire Sciences Laboratory, the “FireWorks” trunk and curriculum.

The trunk offers hands-on lessons about how wildland fires behave in the outdoors, fire’s effects on plants and animals, and fire management.

The workshop will also teach participants how to train others to use the educational materials.

The workshop will be held July 8-10, in Missoula, led by instructors from the Fire Sciences Laboratory, a branch of the Forest Service’s Rocky Mountain Research Station.

Renewal credit through the Montana Office of Public Instruction is available at no charge. One credit from the University of Montana will be available for \$115, pending UM approval.

For more information and to enroll in the workshop, call Jane Smith, (406) 329-4805 or Nanka McMurray, at (406) 329-4803.

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