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Cibola National Forest Releases Resource Assessment

Albuquerque, NM – April 15, 2014. As part of the forest plan revision process, the Cibola National Forest has released the draft Resource Assessment for Mt. Taylor, Magdalena, Mountainair and Sandia Ranger Districts. This report assesses the ecological, social and economic conditions and trends of the resources, goods, and services provided by the Forest and risks to sustainability.

The Cibola has scheduled a series of public meetings and collaborative sessions in May and June where staff will discuss the draft assessment report, provide updates, and identify the needs for change in management direction for the Forest. The May meeting schedule has been finalized; additional dates for June are being planned and will be publicized when confirmed. “We are asking the public to read the assessment, and then provide their help, knowledge, and participation to identify what’s important about the values and uses of the four mountain districts,” said Forest Supervisor Elaine Kohrman.

The information gathered at the public meetings, collaborative sessions and from comments will help the Cibola identify the areas in the 1985 Forest Plan that need to be changed. “Our intention is to collaboratively design a contemporary plan that restores, sustains and contributes to the ecological, social and economic conditions and benefits from the Cibola into the future,” Kohrman said.

The draft is located at:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/cibola/landmanagement/planning/?cid=fsbdev3_065627.

For additional information, please contact Champe Green, Forest Planner, at 505.346.3900.

Cibola National Forest Plan Revision May 2014 Public Meetings

Date and Time	Location	Community
Monday, May 12 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Rooms B & C, UNM Conference Center, 1634 Univ. Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM	Sandia and Mountainair RDs, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public
Tuesday, May 13 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Santa Fe Public Library Southside Branch Community Meeting Rm., 6577 Jaguar Dr., Santa Fe, NM	State Government, Non-governmental organizations, Public
Tuesday, May 13 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Torreon Community Center, 18 Torreon Heights Rd. E Torreon, NM	Mountainair RD, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public
Wed., May 14 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Cibola Co. Administration Bldg., Convention Rm., 515 W. High St., Grants, NM	Western NM Tribes
Wed., May 14 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Cibola Co. Administration Bldg., Convention Rm., 515 W. High St., Grants, NM	Mt. Taylor RD, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public
Thursday, May 15 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Indian Pueblo Cultural Ctr., Chaco III Rm., 2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM	Rio Grande Corridor Tribes
Thursday, May 15 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Mountainair Senior Center, 107 N. Summit Ave., Mountainair, NM	Mountainair and Sandia RDs, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public
Monday, May 19 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Socorro Co. Annex Bldg., 198 Neel Ave., Socorro, NM	Magdalena RD, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public
Tuesday, May 20 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Magdalena RD Conference Room, 203 First St., Magdalena, NM	Magdalena RD, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public
Wed., May 21 6:15 – 9:00 p.m.	Los Vecinos Community Center, 478-½ Old Hwy. 66 Tijeras, NM 87059	Sandia RD, All Forest Users, Stakeholders, Interested Parties, Public

Scheduling and locations for the public meetings in June are underway. For updated information on the plan revision process and timeline, please refer to the Cibola Forest Plan Revision website. <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/cibola/landmanagement/planning>.