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## Marienville Ranger District to Implement a Wildlife Habitat Enhancement Project

**Marienville, Pa.** (Feb. 4, 2015) – The Allegheny National Forest’s Marienville Ranger District will soon be implementing a wildlife habitat enhancement project designed to improve habitat for reptiles, amphibians, birds, small mammals and large carnivores. The project will restore more direct sunlight to rock outcrops scattered across 200 acres of the Marienville Ranger District. “Various species of wildlife seek cover and shelter among the cracks, crevices and fissures within these rock complexes,” said District Ranger Rob Fallon. “This project will reduce the canopy to make the habitat more desirable for these species.”

The project will involve cutting or girdling trees and shrubs that are shading these features. Ground disturbance would be minimal, as the felled trees or shrubs would not be removed from the sites. The decision documents for this project are available on the Allegheny National Forest website at: <http://go.usa.gov/hKpC>.

For more information regarding this decision, please contact Kevin Treese, Marienville Planning Team Leader at 814.927.5759 or email: [ktreese@fs.fed.us](mailto:ktreese@fs.fed.us).

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