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## Allegheny National Forest Reschedules Road Study Open House

**Warren, Pa.** (March 6, 2015) – The Allegheny National Forest is hosting a Road Study open house on in Clarion, PA. The open house was originally scheduled for March 4, but was cancelled due to the weather. The new date is

**Wednesday, March 25, 2015**

4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

at the Park Inn by Radisson (formerly the Holiday Inn)  
45 Holiday Inn Road; Clarion, PA

The open house will provide an opportunity for the public to view maps, ask questions and provide feedback as the forest completes Subpart A of the 2005 Travel Management Rule. Subpart A looks at the core issue of travel analysis – providing sustainable access to national forests. The Allegheny’s network of roads provides access to numerous areas of the forest for public and forest management activities. Completing Subpart A requires that managers analyze impacts to natural and cultural resources while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

“We have initiated a science-based process to take a whole-forest look at our road system and at the risks and benefits to visitors and various resources,” said Forest Supervisor Sherry Tune. “This is not a proposal or decision document, but a transportation study that will help inform future road management planning and serve as an additional resource in future multiple resource projects. It will continue to evolve and change over the years, with opportunities for interested public to share their thoughts and engage in the process.”

For anyone who will not be able to attend this open house, maps and comment forms are posted on the Allegheny’s website: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/allegheny/>.

For additional information about this process, please contact Forest Engineer Dan Salm, at 814.728.6269 or [dsalm@fs.fed.us](mailto:dsalm@fs.fed.us).

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