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Dear Forest Friend:

The Allegheny National Forest (ANF) is seeking public comments on a proposal to renew 54 existing recreation residence special use permits. These camps have been actively in use for over 45 years. The permitted structures are not year-round residences. The ANF is not allowing additions or new outbuildings/structures so there will be no ground-disturbance of the sites. The camp groups are all located within Management Areas 2.1 and 3.0. The permits will be issued for up to 20-year terms. Please see the attached map for locations.

Comments will be considered for the analysis. The decision is within the category of exclusion 31.2(3)h that includes, "Approving the continued use of land where such use has not changed since authorized and no change in the physical environment or facilities are proposed."

There are 5 groupings of recreation residences across the ANF, named and located as follows (see attached map):

1. Camp Run has 9 recreation residences and is located on the Bradford Ranger District in Warrant 3402, Lafayette Township, McKean County.
2. Camp Nine has 9 recreation residences and is located on the Marienville Ranger District in Warrant 5144, Jenks Township, Forest County.
3. Hoffman Farms has 15 recreation residences and is located on the Marienville Ranger District in Lot 272, Hamilton Township, McKean County.
4. Seldom Seen A has 12 recreation residences and is located on the Marienville Ranger District in Warrant 3184, Howe and Jenks Townships, Forest County.
5. Seldom Seen B has 9 recreation residences and is located on the Marienville Ranger District in Warrant 3184, Howe and Jenks Townships, Forest County.

We would like to hear your thoughts, concerns, or questions about this proposal by October 3, 2008. Written comments are preferred; however, if you would like to discuss the proposal personally or would like more information, please contact Sylvia Grisez at (814) 728-6232 or Mike Bowmaster at (814) 728-6231. Comments can also be sent via email to: comments-eastern-allegheny@fs.fed.us with "Recreation Residences" on the subject line.

Sincerely,

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