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Happy Camp Ranger District Hosts an Open House for the Panther Fire Salvage and Reforestation Project

YREKA, Calif., January 21, 2010 – The Happy Camp Ranger District of the Klamath National Forest will host an open house at the district office, located at 63822 Highway 96 in Happy Camp, CA from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday January 27, 2010. The purpose of the open house is to inform and involve interested groups and individuals about the proposed project and to provide an opportunity to discuss any resource concerns with employees of the forest and planning staff. Detailed working maps will be available for viewing.

This project is a revision of the Panther Fire Salvage project proposed in 2009 that includes roadside hazard tree removal.

The project is planning to replant conifers, improve public and forest worker safety, and to recover the remaining economic value by the harvest of fire-killed and severely damaged trees. It also proposes to reduce hazardous fuels and treat 254 acres of a high severity burn area. Included in this proposal is the removal of roadside hazard trees along 11.5 miles of Forest Service roads within the planning area open to the public.

If you are unable to attend this open house and would like to provide comments, please contact the District Timber Management Officer Nick Larson or the District Ranger Ken Harris at: Happy Camp Ranger District, P. O. Box 377, Happy Camp, CA 96039-0377, (530) 493-2243, (530) 493-1796 (FAX). Electronic written comments may be e-mailed to: comments-pacificsouthwest-klamath@fs.fed.us with the subject: Panther Fire Salvage and Reforestation Project. Comments received by February 8, 2010 will be used during the development of alternatives.