



NATURE SLEUTHS!!!!

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICE PROJECTS

The Bitterroot National Forest and the Bitterroot RC&D are excited about offering free educational programs and community service projects to students of the Bitterroot Valley! Our excellent staff is available to provide interesting field trips and/or in-class presentations to your students. *A field trip can take place at almost any outdoor location, from your school grounds, to a community park, to a river access, to a forest location.* We have the ability to adapt our presentations to the grade level of your classroom, as well as modify the lessons to meet your specific needs.

PRESENTATION TOPICS

* Forest Ecosystems * Fire Ecology * Watershed Health * GPS or Compass Orienteering * Wildlife Species * Birds * Insects * Leave No Trace Principles * Wildfire Prevention * Off-Road Vehicle Ethics and Etiquette * Invasive Plant Identification

SERVICE PROJECTS

*Creating Interpretive Tools *Restoration Activities *Planting Native Plants *Weed Pulls *Trail Maintenance *Monitoring *Campsite Clean-ups * and More!

*Have you heard about our new winter program “**Snow Snoops**”?*

It is a multi-day program that includes a winter field trip with a pre and post classroom visit. Choose one or more topics: snowshoeing, winter survival, animal adaptations, plants in winter, snow crystals, orienteering with GPS or compass, or watershed health.



If interested in receiving a free in-class or field trip presentation, please contact **Tod McKay at the Bitterroot National Forest at 363-7122 or tgmckay@fs.fed.us** or **Janeen Curtis at the Bitter Root RC&D at 381-2951 or janeen_rcd@yahoo.com**

See reverse side of this page for scheduling information.

Programs Available and the Timelines to Partake in these Programs

Activity	Time Frame Available	Target Audience	Time Needed to Notify USFS or RC&D in Advance of Activity
In-class Presentations- on a variety of natural resource topics	All year	All ages	Two weeks
Field Trip - to school grounds, community park, river access, forest location, etc	All year	All ages	Two weeks
Snow Snoops – winter field trip with a pre and post classroom visit	Nov-March	All ages	Two weeks
Community Service/Work Project	Fall, spring, summer	All ages	Three weeks
Woodsy Owl Lend a Hand – Care for the Land Programs	All year	Pre-school, elementary and middle school	Two weeks
Smokey Bear Wildfire Prevention Program	All year	Pre-school and elementary school	Two weeks

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