

## **Pear Tree Tornado Salvage Project Objection Period**

The Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Pear Tree Tornado Salvage Project has been prepared. This EA used the predecisional administrative review process authorized by the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003. This process differs from the normal NEPA procedure by utilizing scoping/public meetings and then a 30-day objection period that replaces the usual 30-day comment and 45-day appeal periods. Only those that expressed interest in this project during the scoping/public meeting period have objection rights pursuant to CFR36 part 218.6.

CFR36 part 218.7 contains the following instructions for filing an objection: Objections must be filed with the Reviewing Officer (Forest Supervisor, Judith Henry) in writing. All objections shall be open to public inspection during the objection process. It is the objector's responsibility to provide sufficient narrative description of those aspects of the proposed authorized hazardous fuel reduction project addressed by the objection, specific issues related to the proposed project, and suggested remedies which would resolve the objection. Incorporation of documents by reference shall not be allowed. At a minimum, an objection must include the following: Objector's name and address, telephone number if available, signature or other verification of authorship upon request (a scanned signature for electronic mail may be filed with the objection), name of the lead objector when multiple names are listed on an objection, the name of the proposed authorized hazardous fuels reduction project, the name and title of the responsible official (Bruce C. Davenport, District Ranger), and the National Forest and Ranger District on which the project will be implemented.

The 30-day objection period commences the day after the legal notice appears in the Russellville, AR newspaper, *The Courier*. Objections may be mailed to: Judith Henry, Forest Supervisor; 605 West Main; Russellville, AR 72801-3614. Hand-delivered written comments must be received during our normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mon-Fri. Objections may be mailed electronically to the office, in a common digital format, at: [appeals-southern-ozark-stfrancis@fs.fed.us](mailto:appeals-southern-ozark-stfrancis@fs.fed.us).

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Mike Mulford at the District Ranger's office in Jasper, AR (870) 446-5122 ext. 5136