

Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests NEWS RELEASE

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Recreation Facility Analysis Open House Schedule

Grangeville, ID--The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests are taking steps to create a sustainable program that aligns their developed recreation sites with the type of recreational experiences desired by visitors. Some changes may be needed to current management methods to meet the challenges created by declining budgets over the last 5 years.

Management options currently being considered include reducing services at some of our more remote sites, increasing fees to reflect current pricing in other areas, providing concessionaire managed recreation sites, converting sites from developed to dispersed, and minor improvements at selected sites.

A series of open house meetings will be held in November to discuss alternatives. Following is the schedule:

- 11/8 – Grangeville, ID - Senior Center – 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- 11/13 – Orofino, ID - Supervisors Office – Lochsa Conference Room – 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- 11/14 – Moscow, ID - 1912 Center, Arts Workshop Room – 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- 11/15 – Kamiah, ID – Hearthstone Bakery – 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

At each location there will be a brief power point presentation outlining the alternatives. This power point will be available throughout the open house for individual viewing. Forest staff will be answering questions and will have comment sheets available.

Information is also available about this process on the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests website located at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/nezperce/landmanagement/planning>.

For information regarding the Recreation Facility Analysis process on the Nez Perce - Clearwater National Forests or to comment on the project, please contact Diana Jones at (208) 476-8239.

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