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Herger Feinstein Quincy Library Group Implementation Team

Monitoring Field Tours: Summer/Fall 2010

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Lassen National Forest
Plumas National Forest
Sierraville Ranger District, Tahoe National Forest

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Forest Monitoring Tours Scheduled

Seven monitoring tours are scheduled this summer/fall across the Herger Feinstein Quincy Library Group (HFQLG) Pilot Project Area, with the first trip scheduled for June 25. The Pilot Project Area includes the Lassen and Plumas National Forests and the Sierraville Ranger District of the Tahoe National Forest.

The tours will include an overview of a variety of planned and accomplished forest treatments ranging from thinning, group selection, fuels reduction and establishing defensible space (using method such as tree removal or harvest, mastication [shred and scatter], prescribed burning) to watershed restoration and special meadow, aspen and oak habitat enhancement.

Forest Service representatives will be gathering feedback from tour participants about how to improve future project management and implementation.

These tours will include a combination of walking and driving graveled roads. Participants should wear appropriate shoes and be prepared for some walking on uneven terrain. The terrain varies from district to district. Many of the field trips will take a full day and participants should plan on bringing water and lunch.

The Forest Service may have vehicles to facilitate carpooling, however, space will be limited if provided. Participants are encouraged to RSVP to the appropriate ranger district coordinator. Tours will start at corresponding ranger district offices unless otherwise specified. For more information or for any special accessibility needs, please contact the district's representative at least 3-5 days ahead.

Schedule:

- ✓ **June 25, 10:00 am:** Hat Creek Ranger District, Lassen National Forest – Hat Creek Complex Defensible Fuel Profile Zones (DFPZ): Old Station Timber Sale, Jawbone Mastication (Brown's Fire), Lost Burn Plantation (North Coble), and South Station (Sugarloaf fire); contact Mary Price (530) 336-5521

- ✓ **June 29, 9:00 am:** Sierraville Ranger District, Tahoe National Forest -- Drongo DFPZ, Perrazo Pond and Plug Watershed Restoration, Loyalton Pines Thin Project, and Billabong Projects; contact Timothy Evans (530) 994-3401 x6641, or Karie Wiltshire (530) 994-3401 x6680

- ✓ **July 27, 9:00 am:** Feather River Ranger District, Plumas National Forest --Slapjack Service Contract and Bullards or Mt Hope Stewardship Projects (if active); contact Linnea Hanson (530) 534-7425

- ✓ **August 10, 9:00 am:** Mt. Hough, Plumas National Forest -- Genesee Fuel Reduction and Black Oak Enhancement Project; contact Rich Bednarski (530)283-7641

- ✓ **August 12, 9:00 am:** Eagle Lake Ranger District, Lassen – 44 Hog 02 Defensible Fuel Profile Zone; contact Dominic Cesmat or Linda Wrenn-Johnson (530) 257-4188,

- ✓ **August 19, 9:30 am:** Beckwourth Ranger District, Plumas National Forest – Mabie Defensible Fuel Profile Zone and Ross Meadow Restoration; contact Sabrina Stadler (530) 836-7141

- ✓ **October 7, 9:00 am:** Almanor Ranger District, Lassen National Forest – Grays Peak Defensible Fuel Profile Zone; contact John Zarlengo (530) 258-2141

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