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Regional Forester Announces New Gallatin Forest Supervisor

MISSOULA, Mt. - Northern Regional Forester Tom Tidwell announced Mary Erickson as the new forest supervisor on the Gallatin National Forest.

Mary is currently the Forest Supervisor for the Fishlake National Forest (since June 2001) in Richfield, Utah. Prior to moving to Utah she was the Deputy Forest Supervisor on the Fremont-Winema National Forests and the Chemult District Ranger on the Winema National Forest, both in southern Oregon. Mary's experience also includes work in forest planning and various forester and fire positions with the State of Oregon.

"I am very excited and honored to have the opportunity to serve the Gallatin National Forest," said Erickson. "My husband and our two daughters are looking forward to getting to know the communities surrounding the Forest and exploring all the opportunities this incredible area has to offer."

Tidwell says the Northern Region will benefit from her collaboration skills and her experience as a forest supervisor.

"Mary has demonstrated her ability to bring people together to resolve land management issues," said Tidwell. "We're very pleased to have her join our region and feel her skills are a good match for the large and multifaceted Gallatin Forest."

No reporting date has been set.

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