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Campfire and Woodcutting Restrictions Lifted

Quincy, October 6, 2006 – Campfire restrictions on the Plumas National Forest have been lifted, effective October 6, 2006. Therefore, smoking and campfires are now allowed, as well as the operation of internal combustion engines off developed roads. Personal use woodcutting is also allowed with permit, all day in Zones 1 and 2, on the Plumas National Forest (public land). However, the forest is still in fire season and visitors are reminded to completely extinguish campfires and use caution when smoking in the forest.

The ban on burning debris piles ordered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) **remains in effect**. The burning restriction affects those private lands in Plumas, Butte, Yuba, Sierra and Lassen Counties under the fire protection of the Plumas National Forest and will remain in effect until CDF terminates the ban. Private land under the fire protection of the CDF Lassen-Modoc Unit such as Chester, Janesville and Doyle may have different restrictions. The City of Portola also restricts burning at this time, according to City Fire Chief, Curtis Marshall.

For more information on fire and fuel woodcutting on public land, or to obtain permits, please contact the local U.S. Forest Service (USFS), or visit the Plumas National Forest website, www.fs.fed.us/r5/plumas. Contact the local CDF office for more information about private land fire restrictions.

Key Points:

- 1) CDF State dooryard burn ban remains in effect.**
- 2) Campfire restrictions are lifted on the Plumas National Forest.**
- 3) Woodcutting with a valid permit is allowed all day in Zones 1 and 2.**

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