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ALICE CARLTON NAMED AS PLUMAS NATIONAL FOREST SUPERVISOR

VALLEJO, Calif. May 31, 2007—Alice Carlton has been selected as the new Supervisor of the Plumas National Forest (NF) in Quincy, Calif., Forest Service (FS) officials announced today. She has been Supervisor of the Manti-La Sal NF in southeastern Utah since mid-2003.

“Alice’s vast experience has prepared her well for this new post,” said Pacific Southwest Regional Forester Bernie Weingardt. “She’s done great work at different levels of the agency around the nation, and has succeeded in numerous special assignments. Alice has strong natural resource management skills and has proven herself to be a highly capable forest supervisor. She is very deserving of this promotion.”

Carlton, 52, is a native Californian who grew up in Stockton, where she developed a love of the outdoors while camping and backpacking in the Sierra Nevada with her family. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Forest Management from Oregon State University in 1979. She began her FS career in 1978 as a co-op student on the Siuslaw NF in Oregon. Since then, Carlton has held a variety of positions at the ranger district and forest levels in recreation, forest management, lands and special uses, minerals, partnerships, visitor services and forest planning on the Umatilla, Fremont and Deschutes NFs in Oregon, and on the Gila NF and the National Park Service’s Bandelier National Monument in New Mexico. During that time, she was also regional project manager for a major natural gas pipeline project and was heavily involved in studies to guide management of northern spotted owls and salmon.

In 1996, she became assistant program manager for Recreation Special Uses in the Washington Office, where she provided national leadership in the areas of outfitter guides, ski area management, campgrounds and resort concessions. She returned to field work in 2000, as deputy forest supervisor of the George Washington and Jefferson NFs in Virginia. Before coming to her current job in Utah in 2003, she also served as acting director of Grey Towers National Monument in Pennsylvania and acting forest supervisor in Georgia. She was detailed for two months last year to USDA’s Office of Natural Resources and the Environment in Washington DC, working for Under Secretary Mark Rey, who oversees the Forest Service.

Carlton will report to her new assignment July 22. She replaces Jim Pena, who became Pacific Southwest Deputy Regional Forester for State and Private Forestry, which includes Recreation and Fire Management, in March.

“I’m honored to have the opportunity to help provide stewardship of the Plumas National Forest,” Carlton said. “I look forward to working with the local communities, the Quincy Library Group, the state and all interested citizens and organizations in carrying out my new duties. I’m also excited to meet the employees of the Plumas, and work with them in our important business of managing the natural resources of the forest.”

Carlton will be joined in Quincy by her husband Mike Reagan. In addition to her work, she enjoys gardening, hiking, biking, canoeing and camping.