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Funding for Natural Resource Projects Available

The Plumas County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) is soliciting project proposals for financial support under the one year extension of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Act). Approximately \$800,000 would be available during this round (Cycle 7) of funding, based on prior Plumas County Supervisor support. Projects must be designed for calendar year 2008 implementation and closely coordinated with Ranger District representatives and other key partners or they will not be considered.

Projects must have broad based support with objectives that may include, but are not limited to: road, trail, and infrastructure maintenance or obliteration; soil productivity improvements; improvements in forest ecosystem health; watershed restoration and maintenance; restoration, maintenance, and wildlife and fish habitat improvements; control of noxious and exotic weeds; reintroduction of native species, and hazardous fuels reduction. Projects can be on public land or private land. If on private land, there must be a clearly demonstrated benefit to public land resources.

Because the legislation was extended so late in the year, the application process has been condensed in order to meet a September 30 legislative deadline. Full applications will be required and must be returned by August 31, 2007, to the Plumas County RAC, c/o the Plumas National Forest, 159 Lawrence Street/P.O. Box 11500, Quincy, CA, 95971, Attn. Lee Anne Schramel Taylor. The RAC will consider the applications on September 21 and the Forest Supervisor(s) will make funding decisions in mid-October.

The application and instructions for filling out the form are available on the web at <http://fs.fed.us/r5/plumas/> or at Plumas National Forest District offices. Links to other information about the Payments to States legislation and county RACs can be found on the same website.

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