

**USDA FOREST SERVICE CHIEF TOM TIDWELL  
DISCUSSES STATUS OF AGENCY'S AMERICAN  
RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA)  
PROJECTS**

*\$274 Million Announced this Week for Forest Trails and Facilities*

**WHAT:** Dial-in news conference to discuss recent release of \$274 Million for ARRA projects relating to forest trails and facilities work, and overview of the status of USDA Forest Service ARRA projects to date.

**WHO:** Tom Tidwell, Chief, USDA Forest Service  
Richard Sowa, Acting Associate Chief, National Forest System  
Tony Tooke, Deputy Director, Forest Service ARRA

**WHEN:** Thursday, July 23, 2009 - 2:30 pm Eastern Time

**DIAL-IN:** Credentialed Reporters may listen to the news and participate in the question and answer session by calling: 877-601-3552.

Password: FOREST SERVICE.

**DETAILS:** For more information on this news conference, call the Press Office at 202-205-1134. For information on Forest Service ARRA Projects, go to: <http://www.fs.fed.us>

