

To: NAFSR Members
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Subject: US Forest Service Landscape Analysis and Forest Planning Rule Notice.

Seasons greetings!! Recently the Chief released direction and notice on two important planning projects.

One is a forest landscape planning process with a due date of March 1, 2010. This builds on National Forest Systems working with Research & Development on a regional basis. Accompanying my note is the Chief's Direction letter on this process to Regional Foresters and Station Directors.

The second notice concerns revision to the National Forest Management Act Forest Planning Rule which will appear in the Federal Register on 12/18/2010. We've recruited two NAFSR members, Ron Stewart and Steve Eubanks to lead our efforts on this two year process to bring forth a workable 21st Century Forest Planning process which hopefully can be implemented. Thank You Ron and Steve.

We will soon post the Chief's letter on landscaping planning due March 1st and the Forest Planning Regulations 12/18/09 Federal Register Notice on our NAFSR website for all interested members. You should also check our official U.S. Forest Service Website for further information.

As we look forward to 2010, I thank all members for their continuing support and commitment to NAFSR, its mission, principles and work projects agenda!