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Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest Invites the Public to the Valhalla Site Management Plan Informational Open House

Washburn, Wis. – March 10, 2008: The Washburn Ranger District of the Chequamegon-Nicolet

National Forest (CNNF) announces the Valhalla Site Management Plan Informational Open House,

Thursday, March 27, 2008, 6:30 to 7:30 PM, at the Washburn Elementary School, Washburn, WI.

Mary Motiff, Director of Bayfield County Recreation and Tourism, and Spring Rosales, Washburn

District Ranger for the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest will be leading the Informational

Open House.

The Informational Open House will provide the public with an opportunity to learn more about the planning process that will lead to the development of a new site management plan to be completed by early next year. Your participation in this process will help the CNNF to:

- Understand what the public values about Valhalla Recreation Area;
- Provide perspectives on the future potential of Valhalla in terms of opportunities;
- Provide ideas for Valhalla in ways that align the opportunities offered with the values held by the public and contribute towards the needs of the Bayfield County Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan;
- And, become participants to implement the management plan for Valhalla.

The next phase of this site management planning process will include inviting interested participants to future collaborative workshops.

Comments can be submitted at the Open House or by mailing them to the Washburn District Office PO Box 578, Washburn, WI 54891. Additional comment forms will be available on-line and at the information Kiosks at the Valhalla Recreation Area and the Washburn District Office.

For more information about the Valhalla Site Management Plan Informational Open House, you may visit our website at: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/cnnf/ or call 715-373-2667.