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

Washburn, Wis. –June 11, 2008: The Washburn Ranger District of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF) announces the next Valhalla Site Management Plan Informational Open House, Thursday, June 26, 2008, 6:30 to 7:30 PM, at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, Ashland, 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 this 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 package;
- 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 Valhalla information Kiosks 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.