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Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest Invites the Public to the Valhalla Site Management Plan Workshop

Washburn, WI –July 9, 2008: The Washburn Ranger District of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF) announces the 2nd Valhalla Site Management Plan Workshop, Thursday, July 17, 2008, 6:30 to 8:30 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 the Workshop with non-Forest Service facilitators taking the lead.

The collaborative Workshop format will provide the public an opportunity to work together in small groups, for the purpose of identifying ideas, issues, and recommendations. These will be necessary to assist with the development of a new site management plan to be completed by early next year. Public 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.

Comments can be submitted at the Workshop 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 Workshop, you may visit our website at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/cnnf/rec/valhalla/index.html> or call 715-373-2667.

The last workshop will be held Saturday, August 16th, 9:30 am, at the Valhalla Chalet, Washburn WI.