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**Eastern Region Recreation Resource Advisory Committee
Fall Meeting Announced**
Authorized under the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act

HARRISBURG, IL, September 8, 2008 – The Forest Service Eastern Region Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (Recreation RAC) will meet in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Wednesday, October 8, 2008. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. (ET) and will conclude at approximately 6:00 p.m. that same day. The meeting will be held at the Crown Plaza Airport Hotel located at 5700 E. 28th St. SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

People interested in recreation fees in the Eastern Region are invited to attend the meeting. The 30 minute public comment period is tentatively scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. (ET). Time allotted for individual presentations will be limited to 3 minutes per person. Written comments are encouraged, particularly if the material cannot be presented within the time limits of the comment period. Written comments and/or requests for verbal input may be submitted by sending them to the Designated Federal Official (address below) at least one week prior to the meeting date.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive recommendations concerning recreation fee proposals on the Allegheny, Chippewa, Huron Manistee, Mark Twain, Monongahela and Shawnee National Forests in the Eastern Region; and to discuss other items of interest related to the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act of 2004. To view the proposals go to:
www.fs.fed.us/r9/rnac/

The Recreation RAC is authorized under the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, signed into law December 2004.

Send written comments to: Designated Federal Official Cheryl Chatham, US Forest Service, PO Box 1270, Hot Springs, Arkansas, 71902. To contact by phone, call 501.321.5318.

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