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Public Invited to New World Mining District Response and Restoration Project Meeting

The public is invited to attend the annual technical meeting for the New World Mining District Response and Restoration Project scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, 2009. The meeting will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Madison Room at the Comfort Inn at 1370 North 7th Ave. in Bozeman, Montana.

Agenda items include a discussion of completed 2008 project activities and upcoming work outlined in the 2009/2010 annual work plan. Individuals from the USDA Forest Service and Tetra Tech Inc. will make presentations and answer questions about several topics including the results of water quality testing and the recently released Draft Adit Discharge Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis. Copies of the agenda can be obtained by calling Mary Beth Marks at (406) 587- 6709.

The New World Mining District, which includes a mixture of National Forest System and private lands near Cooke City, Montana, is an historic metals mining district. The United States (U.S.) signed a settlement agreement with Crown Butte Mining, Inc. to purchase the company's interest in their District holdings in 1996. The transfer of property to the U.S. resulted in the establishment of a \$22.5 million fund to clean up historic mining impacts to specific properties in the mining district.

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