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## Tour the Restored Wurtz Homestead Cabin on Flathead National Forest

The Hungry Horse and Glacier View District of the Flathead National Forest is hosting an open house on Saturday, June 24, 10am -5pm, to showcase the restored historic Wurtz Homestead Cabin that will soon be available for public overnight rental. The cabin, located approximately 45 miles north of Columbia Falls, was acquired by the Forest Service in 1990. Forest personnel that helped with the restoration work, as well as district recreation specialists, will be at the open house to provide tours of the facility and share historical information about the site.

Restoration crews have worked on the main cabin for the last three years. Work includes new foundation, floor, floor joists, and kitchen cabinets. The downstairs and upstairs interior woodwork and walls were stripped and refinished. Crews rebuilt the front and back porches and repaired the roof. More restoration work is planned for another structure at the site.

The cabin will be available through the Forest Service recreation reservation system later this summer. The facility will sleep up to 12 individuals and includes propane heat and lights, and a woodstove. There is no water on site.

The public is encouraged to attend the open house and learn more about the historic homestead, and the cabin rental program on the Flathead National Forest. For more information contact the Hungry Horse and Glacier View District at 387-3800.

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