

## News Release Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

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## Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest Offers Christmas Tree and Other Forest Product Permits

Rhinelander, Wis. –November 18, 2008: The 1.5 million acres of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF) offers many forest products the public can gather. If a person is interested in gathering any forest products they must first purchase a permit for a minimal fee. This time of year some of the most popular permits are for Christmas trees, boughs and firewood. The costs and conditions of these permits vary depending on the forest product a person is seeking.

"This time of year the Forest really gets a lot of visitors, be it for finding the perfect Christmas tree or gathering a winter's supply of firewood. Before you decide to gather any forest products it is important to know there are some conditions that need to be followed when taking part in these gathering opportunities." says Suzanne Flory, Public Affairs Officer for the Forest. As a reminder to any visitor of the CNNF, as of January 2009 there will be a new designated motor vehicle road and trail system. Free maps of the system will be available on-line and at District Offices.

To obtain more information please contact one of the District Offices at the following numbers (all 715 area codes):

Eagle River 479-2827, Florence 528-4464, Lakewood 276-6333, Laona 674-4481, Glidden 264-2511, Hayward 634-4821, Washburn 373-2667, Medford 748-4875, Park Falls 762-2461, or visit the CNNF web-site at http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/cnnf/.