

U.S.D.A. Forest Service News



Colville National Forest
765 South Main Street
Colville, Washington 99114
(509) 684-7000
FAX (509) 684-7280



Friday, April 21, 2003 Contact: Diana Baxter dlbaxter@fs.fed.us (509) 684-7184

Public Invited to Propose Forest Projects Under Title II of The County Payments Program

Colville, Wash.-- The public will have until May 22, 2003 to propose projects for improvements in the Colville National Forest during the 2004 field season under the Title II payments to counties legislation. But, according to Nora Rasure, proposals must first be sent to the County Commissioners in the county where the projects will be performed.

"The legislation encourages individuals, nonprofit organizations, local governments and others to propose projects that restore watershed, decommissions or maintains roads, removes noxious weeds, or otherwise improves the conditions on the forest. The proposed projects need not be on the Forest, but must benefit National Forest resources," Rasure said.

Applications for these Title II proposals can be obtained from Forest Headquarters, 765 S. Main, Colville, WA 99114, or on-line at http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/colville/2002_RAC_website/RACproject_submit_form.htm. For those who have not submitted Title II proposals in the past they must contact Amy Dillon, acting forest National Environmental Policy Act coordinator for process information. She can be reached at 509-446-7500.

The Colville Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on June 19, 2003 to review and recommend projects for funding during Fiscal Year 2004 to the designated federal official. The RAC met six times in 2002 to make recommendations for 22 Title II Projects for fiscal years 2002 and 2003 valued at nearly \$459,000.00.

-End-