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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

On April 15, 2004, I made a decision to install a footbridge on the Hidden Lakes Trail over the North Branch of the Pine River.

The bridge will span the river with wood beams or log stringers with decking to accommodate hikers and mountain bikes. Actions will include repair and stabilization of the stream banks where trail users have walked down the stream banks to cross this small stream. This is a non-motorized trail.

Prior to implementation, the Forest Service will apply for a Wisconsin DNR water regulatory permit and provide a bridge plan with the application. Implementation of my decision is contingent on receipt of a permit from the Wisconsin DNR.

Attached is a copy of the signed decision memo. This decision memo documents the purpose and need for this action and my rationale for making this decision. Included with your copy of the decision memo are maps of the project area.

Please contact Jeff Herrett at the Eagle River office if you have questions. He can be reached at the Forest Service office in Eagle River, 1247 East Wall Street, 715-479-2827 (fax 715-479-6407).

Sincerely,

*Debra P. Kidd*

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District Ranger

