

## Cibola National Forest Mountain Ranger Districts



Comment Form for use with Preliminary Draft Plan, Wilderness Process Paper, and all maps

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President Russell Begaye Navajo Nation P.O. Box 7440 Window Rock, AZ 86515

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Dear President Begaye:

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I would like to formally invite you to participate in the Cibola Forest Plan Tribal Workshop. The workshop is scheduled for Friday August 12, 2016. It will be held from 9:30-12:00 at the BIA Southwest Regional Office at 1001 Indian School Road NW in Albuquerque.

As you are aware, the Cibola National Forest has been working since 2012 to revise its Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan) for the four mountain districts (Mt. Taylor, Magdalena, Mountainair, Sandia). A number of tribes have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to be a Cooperating Agency and have been participating on one of the four landscape teams for these areas to assist us in the preparation of the Plan. The preliminary Draft Plan is now complete and was released on July 18, 2016, for a 45-day period for review and comment on the document.

Enclosed is a copy of the preliminary Draft Plan for your review. In preparation for the workshop, I encourage you to review the portions of the Plan that are of interest to you, and to pass on the document to those you may choose to represent the tribe at the workshop. The Draft Plan and its associated maps, as well as comment forms, are available on the Forest's Plan Revision website: <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/CibolaFPR">http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/CibolaFPR</a>. Please assist us by making this information available to members of your community.

We are working with the University of New Mexico Indigenous Design and Planning Institute to design and co-host a tribal workshop. The purpose of the workshop is to present the preliminary Draft Plan for review and discussion, and to assist the tribes in reviewing the document and maps in order to effectively comment. Each tribe that attends the workshop will be provided a copy of the preliminary Draft Plan as well as a CD that contains the maps that go along with the Plan. It is my hope that the representative(s) your tribe sends to the tribal workshop will become familiar with the Plan and will carry that information back to tribal leadership, and tribal community members, so that the tribe can formulate a response.

If you have any questions about the tribal workshop, please contact Tribal Liaison Cynthia Benedict at (505) 346-3834 or via email at <a href="mailto:cbenedict@fs.fed.us">cbenedict@fs.fed.us</a>. In addition, please note that a series of public workshops, listed below, have been scheduled between July 19th and August 9th to present the preliminary Draft Plan to the public for review and discussion. We encourage you





and your staff to attend these workshop so your perspectives may be shared with other people interested in these landscapes and uses. Please feel free to contact Cynthia for further information.

Date	Location	Time	Ranger District
July 19, 2016	Menaul High School Cafeteria 301 Menaul Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Sandia
July 25, 2016	Gallup Community Service Center, 410 Bataan Veterans St., (Bingo Hall at Exit 22), Gallup NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Mt. Taylor
July 26, 2016	Bernalillo High School, Gymnasium 250 Isidro Sanchez Rd, Bernalillo NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Sandia
July <b>27,</b> 2016	Magdalena High School, 201 Duggins Dr, Magdalena NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Magdalena
August 1, 2016	Knights of Columbus Hall, 1601 E. Roosevelt Ave at Sakelares Blvd. Grants, NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Mt. Taylor
August 2, 2016	Corona Recreation Room at the Corona Schools, 531 Franklin St, Corona, NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Mountainair
August 3, 2016	Dr. Saul Community Center, 107 Roosevelt, Mountainair, NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Mountainair
August 8, 2016	Albert Lyon Event Center 2953 South Broadway Truth or Consequences, NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Magdalena
August 9, 2016	Cañon de Carnuel Land Grant Annex Hall, Located between mile marker 5 and 6 on Highway 333, Tijeras, NM	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Sandia

Thank you for your interest and assistance to us to date to make sure we develop a plan that represents and protects your interests, values, and uses into the future.

Sincerely,

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Forest Supervisor

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Enclosure