

Press Release

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DOLLY SODS WILDERNESS ORDNANCE REMOVAL MEDIA DAY

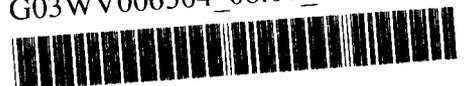
HUNTINGTON, W.VA. ... The U.S. Forest Service will host a press conference Thursday, June 12, 1997, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Forest Service's Laneville Cabin, Laneville, WV. The topic will be ordnance removal from Dolly Sods Wilderness and Dolly Sods North. In attendance will be representatives from the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, New Bold Enterprises and Marshall University as well as the contractor who will conduct demonstrations.

Dolly Sods Wilderness is part of the Monongahela National Forest. During World War II, this area was part of the approximately two-million acre West Virginia Maneuver Area that was used to train infantrymen to fire artillery and mortars. Although the areas were searched and cleared by military explosive ordnance disposal teams after the war, at least 20 pieces of ordnance have been found in recent years.

Attached is a copy of the agenda and location map. For additional information, contact Kathy Rea, Huntington District Corps of Engineers at (304) 529-5771 or Kate Goodrich, Monongahela National Forest at (304) 636-1800, extension 219.

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DRAFT AGENDA

- 1000 Opening Remarks
 Kate Goodrich, Public Affairs Officer
 Monongahela National Forest
- Nancy Feakes, Forest Service Coordinator
 Ranger, Cheat/Potomac District
 Monongahela National Forest
- 1020 Project Overview
 Rick Meadows, Project Manager
 Huntington District Corps of Engineers
- 1030 Environmental Assessment
 Nancy Vyas, Project Manager
 New-Bold Enterprises
- 1040 Wilderness Protocol
 Linda White, Forester
 Monongahela National Forest
- 1050 Cultural/Historic Resources
 Ruth Brinker, Archaeologist
 Monongahela National Forest
- 1100 Endangered Species
 Terrie Evans, Wildlife Biologist
 Monongahela National Forest
- Dr. Tom Pauley, Endangered Species Consultant
 Marshall University
- Bill Tolin, Endangered Species Biologist
 U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- 1115 B R E A K
- 1130-1300 Method of Work/Demonstration
 Bill Sargent/David Shoric, Project Managers
 Huntsville Center, Corps of Engineers
- Human Factors Applications, Inc.
 Ordnance Removal Contractor

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