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## Forest Service to Convene Planning Meetings for Shady Rest Recreation

Mammoth Lakes, CA – The US Forest Service received an OHV grant from the State of California to support recreation planning efforts for the "Shady Rest" area within the Town of Mammoth Lakes. The planning process is designed to address year round motorized use while considering the needs of non-motorized users in the immediate and surrounding area and the potential impact of proposed geothermal development. The desired outcome of the planning process is to design, review, and approve the development of a new motorized staging area.

The planning process will begin with a series of public meetings to discuss current and future recreation uses and review site development options. Information from the public meetings will be used to help develop a proposed action released to the public and subject to the National Environmental Policy Act and the California Environmental Quality Act.

A series of three public meetings will be held to discuss the future recreation management of the Shady Rest area:

- 1. Thursday, February 10 Existing Condition, Current Uses and Needs Assessment
- 2. Thursday, February 17 Multiple Uses, Recreation Development Options
- 3. Thursday, March 3 Presentation and Review of Recreation Alternatives

All meetings will be held at the auditorium of the Mammoth Lakes Ranger Station and begin at 5:30pm, with an expected 1.5 hour meeting time.

For further questions regarding the recreation planning process, contact Jon Kazmierski, recreation officer for the Mammoth Lakes and Mono Lake Ranger Districts, at 760-924-5503 or jkazmierski@fs.fed.us

Audio announcers note: Kazmierski is pronounced "Kaz-mir-ski"