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Greetings!

After the whirlwind of workshops and online engagements that September brought us, I am pleased to take a breath and reach out to you on what to expect for the Lolo Plan Revision process this fall. To efficiently use your time and ensure that we fully digest the wealth of information you have shared thus far, we have a shift in our planned approach.

The table below lists the remaining engagements in September and October. You can also expect continued office hour opportunities and email updates in November and December. You can find all engagement information posted on the [Web Hub](#). Carolyn Upton has provided a Leader's Message outlining her thought process around fall engagements, below. The team is reviewing your input and striving to achieve the proposed action milestone in January of 2024. We look forward to additional engagements with you shortly after the New Year. All of us here on the team and the Lolo National Forest thank you for your interest and efforts in this process!

Amanda Milburn, Revision Team Leader

	When	Where
Revision Team Office Hours. Informal virtual opportunity for dialogue with the Revision Team leader.	9/28/2023 5-6 pm	Virtual Teams meeting at this Meeting Link . Or join by phone, audio only: +12026500123, 170199473# US Phone Conference ID: 170 199 473
Ninemile Ranger Chat. District Ranger Chris Gauger will be available to chat.	9/29/2023 10-11:30 am	Ninemile Ranger District Visitor Center, 20325 Remount Rd Huson, MT 59846
Revision Team Office Hours. Informal virtual opportunity for dialogue with the Revision Team leader.	10/25/2023 5-6:30 pm	Virtual Teams meeting at this Meeting Link . Or join by phone, audio only: +12026500123, 170199473# US Phone Conference ID: 170 199 473

Message from Carolyn Upton on October's Engagements

Thank you to everyone that participated in our September workshop series, and to all that have provided their thoughts and input since we began this work together. Looking back over the last 9 months, it is amazing to think about all the webinars, workshops, Ranger chats, online conversations, comment periods, and email correspondence that has occurred – we have

received a wealth of information from you across these platforms. I am continually humbled and grateful for your participation and insight.

As we move into the fall, we had initially planned to host an array of engagements in October. However, I have consulted with our public engagement specialists and facilitators, and I am concerned with the capacity and well-being of both my staff and that of the public. As I review the information we have received thus far and the short period of time available to compile the proposed action, I feel it is important to focus the planning team on digesting and incorporating what we have already heard from you. Further, I feel it will be a more efficient use of your time to focus your time and energy on reviewing the proposed action rather than expanding on or reiterating what you have already shared.

Therefore, you will find that the engagement schedule for the remainder of the fall is less extensive than it was in September. You can anticipate robust outreach kicking off again in January prior to the release of the proposed action. In the meantime, we will also provide public engagement summaries to you and as always remain committed to transparency with this process.

Carolyn Upton, Forest Supervisor

Thank you for your interest in the Lolo National Forest Land Management Plan Revision.

Check out our **Web Hub** (<https://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/lolo/planrevision>) for the latest information!

Please email your inquiries to SM.FS.LNFRevision@usda.gov or call 406-329-3430.

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