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Stevensville Ranger District to Hold Public Meeting

Hamilton, Montana (April 13, 2017) – The Stevensville Ranger District will hold a public meeting to introduce the Gold Butterfly project. The meeting will be this Tuesday, April 18, 2017, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Corvallis High School library, 1045 Main Street, Corvallis, Montana.

The Forest is in the early stages of planning the project located between Burnt Fork and St. Clair Creek in the Sapphire Mountains on the east side of the Bitterroot Valley. Potential treatments include timber harvests and prescribed fire to improve forest and watershed resilience.

A map of the project area is posted on the Forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/bitterroot, click on Land Management Projects and scroll down to Gold Butterfly.

Stevensville District Ranger Tami Sabol will be in attendance at the meeting and will give an overview of the project and discuss the collaborative process that will be used as the project develops.

Invitations have been mailed to adjacent landowners, government agencies and elected officials in the area, and any parties who have contacted the Bitterroot National Forest and expressed interest in the project.

For more information on the Gold Butterfly project or the upcoming meeting, please contact Sara Grove, Team Leader, at sgrove@fs.fed.us or 406-821-1251. Stay in touch with us through www.facebook.com/DiscoverBitterrootNF and www.twitter.com/BitterrootNF.

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