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TREE FARM BULLETIN
NEW MEXICO TREE FARM PROGRAM
FALL FIELD DAY
September 29, 2012

Welcoming all Tree Farmers/ Family Forest Owners/ Backyard Tree Farmers to the New Mexico Tree Farm Fall Field Day September 29th. This year's fall field day will be held at property of the 2011 Tree Farmer of the Year, please come join us so we can formally recognize Richard Spears and Carol Coker for their achievements. The property is located 5 miles from the intersection of Highway 60 and Highway 12 at Datil, 62 miles west of Socorro. Spears Tree Farm is located within the Datil Mountains of Cibola National Forest. Camping is available at the BLM Datil Well Recreation area or dispersed on the National Forest. Lodging is available in Socorro, Magdalena or possibly Datil at the Eagle Guest Ranch 575.772-5612 or Tres Caballeros Bed & Breakfast 575-772-5987. The day's events will start at 9:30am, a short tour of property with questions and answers, Big Tree measurement demo, presentation of award, lunch will be provided, and discussions of forest products utilized from thinning projects, catch up with old friends and make new ones. So we know how many are coming for lunch please RSVP Nick Smokovich by 09/24/12 at (575)835-9359 or nick.smokovich@state.nm.us.

For those that would like to carpool we will be leaving at 8:00am on September 29 from the NM State Forestry Division Socorro District Office at 1701 Enterprise, Socorro, NM. Located off of Highway 60 west of Socorro on the right side of the road (look for the billboard "THE ARC OF SOCORRO VETERINARY CLINIC").

Direction to the Spears Tree Farm:

Travel 62 miles west on Highway 60 from Socorro, NM.

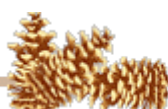
Turn South (left) on to Highway 12 from the intersection of Highway 60 and Highway 12 at Datil, NM.

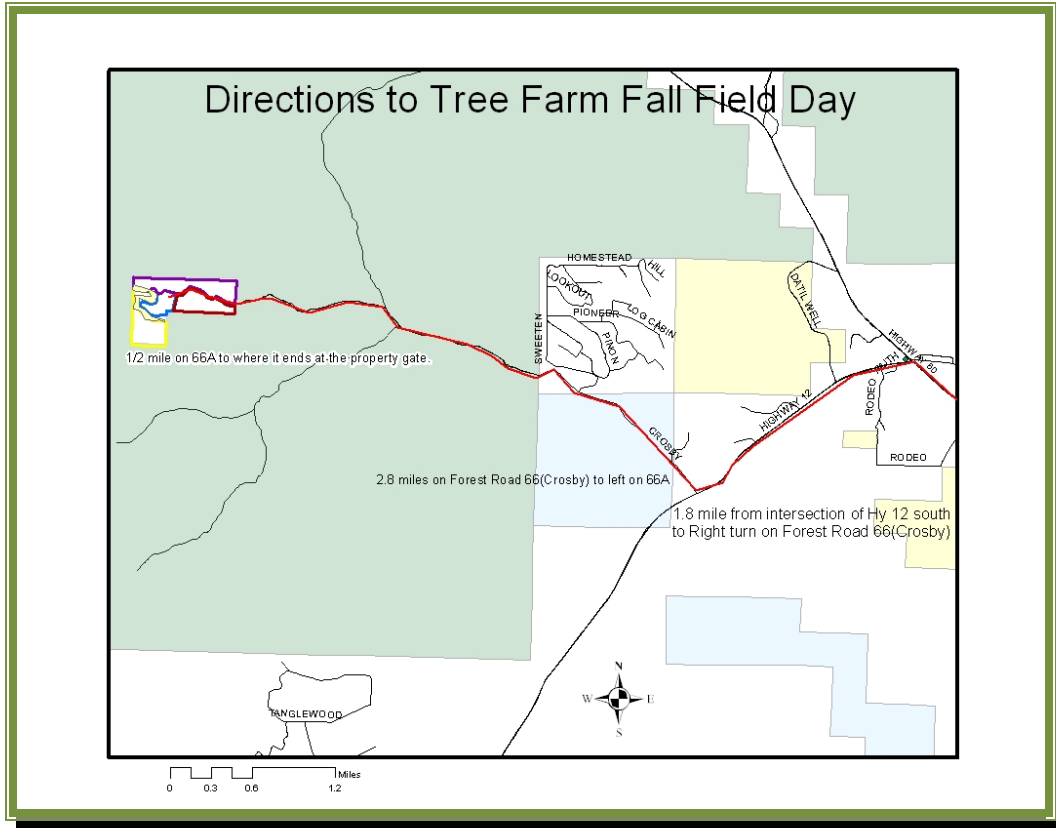
Travel 1.8 miles on Highway 12 and turn left on to Forest Road 66.

Travel 2.8 miles on Forest Road 66, you will pass Elk Run and Homestead Subdivisions.

Turn left on to Forest Road 66A, go about ½ mile and the public road ends at the Spears Tree Farm gate, and keep coming till you reach the house.

Please RSVP Nick Smokovich by 09/24/12





Project Learning Tree update for NM Tree Farm Bulletin

With the start of a new school year, comes the start of a new schedule of Project Learning Tree (PLT) workshops. We have been focusing on training educators who have attended PLT workshops to become facilitators. One of the challenges for this is to find facilitators in different geographic areas of the state.

This year we are scheduling workshops for: Cloudcroft, Silver City, Las Cruces, Albuquerque, Carlsbad and hopefully Farmington and Raton. As always, we would love the expertise of foresters at our workshops to do an activity or two. Any volunteers?

The PLT Steering committee met on July 25th and decided to start charging \$20 for our workshops, to help with costs. Nationally, the majority of states charge for their workshops. We're anxious to see how this effects our program and we'll keep you posted.

Lastly, the Forest Service recently ordered \$3000 worth of PLT books for the upcoming school year and that support is greatly appreciated.

Your NM PLT State Coordinators:

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Message from the Chairman: I look forward to seeing you all at the Field Day. It will be a memorable event honoring one of our tree farmers for their hard work over the years.

