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Local Volunteers Needed to Pitch in on National Public Lands Day

Taos, NM - The Rio Embudo Box is the location of a volunteer project the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Taos Field Office has selected to commemorate National Public Lands Day (NPLD) on September 18, 2004. Taos area residents will have an opportunity to join the largest annual coast-to-coast, single-day volunteer restoration effort for American's public lands.

Local area volunteers will roll up their sleeves and devote one-half day to installing vehicle barriers and doing general clean up at the popular recreation site. This NPLD event gives public land users an opportunity to give back to the very lands they use to hike, bike, climb, boat, swim, explore, picnic and just plain relax.

Volunteers are asked to meet at 8:30 a.m. at the intersection of NM 775 and 580. To get there, take NM 68, turn east on NM 75, drive through Dixon and stop at the intersection. BLM employees will lead the way to the work site.

Volunteer are asked to bring gloves, sunscreen, water and wear boots and layered clothing. At the time of registration, volunteers will receive a free t-shirt or a beautiful poster commemorating National Public Land Day 2004. A free gourmet lunch from Western Sky Café in Taos will be provided around noon.

For more information, contact Tami Torres at 505.751.4757 or see a list of NPLD sites, activities, contacts and downloadable photos from past events on www.npld.com.

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