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LOGGING TO BEGIN NEAR CLANCY

BUTTE – Residents in the Clancy and Montana City areas should be aware that a timber harvest and fuel reduction contract has been awarded to Valvo Logging Company and work will begin soon. After several years of planning, the Montana company will harvest 1.6 million board feet of timber by thinning ponderosa pine from 600 acres and opening about 75 acres of upland meadows important to area wildlife.

“This proposal was started in 1997 in partnership with the Forest Service as part of the Clancy Unionville Landscape Vegetation Project,” stated Mike Small, forester for the Bureau of Land Management, Butte Field Office. “Now we are ready to start implementation after being delayed by the intense fire season of 2000 and subsequent rehabilitation and restoration efforts near Canyon Ferry and Boulder Hill.”

Valvo Logging has three years to complete the project but the actual time needed will depend on markets, weather, and other factors. The first step will be to improve roads in the Jackson Creek drainage southwest of Montana City, followed by rework of the Sheep Mountain Road north of Lump Gulch.

If you need more information on this project, contact Mike Small at the BLM, Butte Field Office, phone (406) 533-7600.

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