

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS

USDA – Forest Service –
Apalachicola National Forest
Apalachicola Ranger District
Liberty, Florida

Beasley Pond Analysis Area

The Forest Service is announcing the availability of the Beasley Pond Analysis Area Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Proposed activities include: savanna restoration, borrow pit excavation, un-even age management cuts, thinnings of slash and longleaf pine, herbicide application, landline maintenance, and road reconstruction/ maintenance. The notice of availability (NOA) of the EIS will be published in the Federal Register on March 6, 2015. The EIS will also be made available by request to this office, or on the internet at <http://goo.gl/GZ3NXm>.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 218 subparts A and B the Responsible Official is seeking comments on this proposal. Comments must be postmarked or received within 45 days beginning the day after publication of the notice of availability in the Federal Register. The publication of the NOA is the exclusive means of calculating the time to submit comments for the draft EIS. Oral or hand-delivered comments must be received within normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Fridays, closed on Federal holidays. Comments may be mailed electronically, in common digital format, to comments-southern-florida-apalachicola@fs.fed.us. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments regarding the proposed project will be eligible to file an objection §218.24(b)(6). Your comments should contain the following: 1.) Name, address, and (if possible) telephone number; 2.) Title of the proposal on which comment is being submitted; 3.) Specific facts or comments along with supporting reasons that you believe the Responsible Official should consider in reaching the decision. Comments can also be mailed to the District Ranger, Apalachicola National Forest, 57 Taff Drive, Crawfordville, FL 32327. For more information on this proposal contact Branden Tolver at (850) 926-3561 ext. 6525.

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