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A FOREST EDUCATION UPDATE

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## Sustainable Forestry Tour



**June 22-25, 2005**

Outstanding Educational Opportunity

Explore North Central Idaho's Forests

Tour is based out of Clarkston, Washington.

**A Trip of a Lifetime**

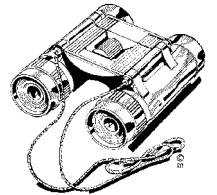
Tour & Travel Expenses Paid

VIP Treatment for Teachers!

Two Credits Available

### What will you do on the tour?

• Explore some of the most beautiful forests in the world • Ride a jet boat on the Snake River • See petroglyphs and columnar basalt • Travel where Lewis & Clark traveled • Learn which trees grow where and why • Tour a high-tech sawmill • See logs being peeled to make plywood • Network with other educators • See and smell live salmon • Interact with foresters, biologists, technology specialists and mill workers who care for our forests and make products you use every day • Learn about potential careers for your students • Touch the future forest at a seedling nursery • See toilet paper being made • Sit in a timber harvester • See a helicopter drop a load of water • Eat like royalty • Visit an Experimental Forest • Touch a huge western white pine (Idaho's state tree) • Look straight down 700 feet from Dworshak Dam • Count osprey while cruising on a riverboat • Reflect in an ancient cedar grove • See the full-circle process of making products out of trees while sustaining forest ecosystems •



**WOW!**

To apply for a spot on the tour, go to [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org) to apply online or download the application form. You may also request a form from our office. **Application deadline: 3/31/05. Applicants will be notified by 4/15/05.**

## April 29, 2005 is Arbor Day. Celebrate Trees!

Trees provide you with shelter, clean air and water, beauty, habitat for wild things, and numerous everyday products, just to name a few things. Say "Thanks" to trees by celebrating Arbor Day. Visit [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org) for teaching ideas.



### **Classroom set of tree seeds**

Ask us for a FREE set of Douglas-fir seeds for your classroom. You and your students can explore how seeds work, collect and graph data on germination and growth rates, and write journal entries while observing development of rootlets and root hairs. A truly interdisciplinary endeavor!

### **T-shirts**

Each year we have a new Arbor Day t-shirt for a very affordable price. Visit [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org) in March to see this year's new shirt and ordering information.

### **Arbor Day Poster Contest**

Fifth grade entries are due 3/4/05. Contact [deb39@aol.com](mailto:deb39@aol.com) for guidelines and activities. Prizes include savings bonds for winners, and \$100 cash for each winner's classroom! PLUS, the winning poster is printed and distributed throughout the state. It's also entered in the national contest in April.



# PROJECT LEARNING TREE

Through Project Learning Tree, you receive engaging activities to teach about the environment while meeting Idaho’s Achievement Standards. Teachers of all grades and subjects are welcome, as are others who work with youth.

## PLT Workshop Schedule

- Feb. 25-26, Boise, General
- Apr. 1-2, Meridian, NRSW
- Apr. 15-16, Boise, General
- Apr. 15-16, Coeur d’Alene, WW
- Apr. 15-16, Idaho Falls, General
- Apr. 22-23, Lewiston, WW
- May 6-7, Boise, General
- Jun. 29-30, Twin Falls, NRSW
- Jul. 12-13, Coeur d’Alene, NRSW
- Jul. 12-13, Nampa, WW
- Jul. 27-28, Cascade, WW
- Aug. 9-10, Boise, Focus on Literature

Contact us to register for any of these workshops.

## PLT Workshop Descriptions

**General** PLT workshops focus on using PLT materials to accomplish a variety of curricular goals.

**Natural Resources & Solid Waste (NRSW)** PLT workshops focus on where stuff comes from and where it ends up—renewable and nonrenewable natural resources, recycling, composting, landfills and energy.

**Wildfires & Weeds (WW)** PLT workshops focus on two of our most pressing environmental issues—invasive species and wildfires.

**NEW! Focus on Literature with WILD, WET and PLT.** This workshop incorporates children’s literature into activities of Project’s WILD, WET and Learning Tree.

**Each type of workshop is a separate credit.** At each one you’ll learn by doing activities you can use in your classroom—right after the workshop! PLT helps you accomplish your curricular goals with proven, fun, relevant, easy-to-use lessons.



PLT activities are correlated to Idaho Achievement Standards at [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org).

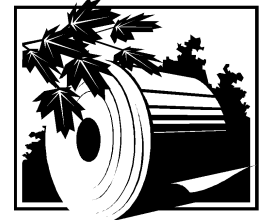
## **New Videos for Loan**

Contact us to borrow the videos, or order online at [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org).

**War of the Weeds**, Idaho PTV’s “Outdoor Idaho” reports on Idaho’s war with alien species. 30 min.

### Videos about Paper

These 4-minute videos for all age groups are included in our Paper-Making Lending Kit. (Contact us for info about ordering a kit.) Since many of you make paper on your own, we decided to include them in our lending library as well.



**The Paper Trail: The History of Paper** Overview of the history of paper.

**Modern Papermaking.** Overview of the paper manufacturing process.

**Recycling: Lost and Found.** Overview of the industrial paper recycling process.

### **Grants for Teachers**

IFPC has grants (up to \$200 each) to help you teach about Idaho’s trees and forests. The application process is easy! Deadline is 8/15, but why wait? Apply at [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org) or contact us for an application form.

### **Interactive Poster**

Our “Blueprint of a Miracle” poster has come alive at [www.idahoforests.org/blueprint.htm](http://www.idahoforests.org/blueprint.htm) (elementary) and [www.idahoforests.org/managing.htm](http://www.idahoforests.org/managing.htm) (secondary). Contact us for a free print copy of the poster and teacher guide.



### **New printed materials**

We’ve added several titles to our “free materials” service. See the enclosed “Materials” order form or order online at [www.idahoforests.org](http://www.idahoforests.org).