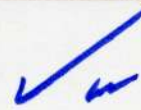


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**RAHALL ANNOUNCES FOREST SERVICE PROVIDES WEST VIRGINIA
ONE HALF MILLION DOLLARS**

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- U.S. REP. NICK J. RAHALL, II (D-WV)
TODAY ANNOUNCED THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA WILL RECEIVE
\$575,927 AS AN INTERIM PAYMENT OF ITS SHARE OF FUNDS
COLLECTED DURING THE YEAR FROM THE SALE AND USE OF A
WIDE VARIETY OF NATIONAL FOREST PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

BY LAW, THE FOREST SERVICES PAYS 25 PERCENT OF THE
REVENUE IT COLLECTS FROM TIMBER SALES GRAZING,
RECREATION, MINERALS, AND LAND USES TO STATES IN WHICH
NATIONAL FOREST LANDS ARE LOCATED. THE FUNDS ARE TO BE
USED FOR SCHOOLS AND ROADS.

IN DECEMBER THE SERVICE WILL PAY THE STATE THE
REMAINDER OF ITS SHARE. THE STATE'S TOTAL SHARE FOR
1989 IS EXPECTED TO BE 767,902.78 DOLLARS.

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STATES TO RECEIVE \$248 MILLION IN INTERIM NATIONAL FOREST PAYMENTS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27--Forty-one states and Puerto Rico will share interim payments totaling \$248 million as their portion of national forest receipts collected in fiscal 1989, F. Dale Robertson, chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service, announced today.

"We estimate these states will eventually receive over \$331 million as their complete shares of national forest receipts for the year," Robertson said.

The interim payments represent 75 percent of the estimated total amount each state will receive as its share of funds collected during the year from the sale and use of a wide variety of national forest products and services. USDA pays any additional funds it owes the states in December, after determining the actual receipts for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30.

By law, the Forest Service pays 25 percent of the revenue it collects from timber sales, grazing, recreation, minerals, and land uses to states in which national forest lands are located. The funds are to be used for schools and roads. Last year, the states received total payments of more than \$318 million.

The interim payments do not reflect revenues collected from the national grasslands. National grassland receipts are calculated on a calendar year basis, and these funds are shared with the states in the spring.

The largest interim payments will go to Oregon, \$118 million; California, \$39 million; Washington, \$33 million; and Idaho, \$7 million.

Interim payments and the estimated 1989 amounts for each state are listed in the following table.

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FISCAL 1989 INTERIM AND ESTIMATED TOTAL STATE PAYMENTS FOR NATIONAL FOREST RECEIPTS

State	Interim Payment	Estimated Total Payment
Alabama	\$ 1,060,687.51	\$ 1,414,250.01
Alaska	3,209,550.01	4,279,400.01
Arizona	5,339,424.70	7,119,232.93
Arkansas	6,175,725.47	8,234,300.62
California	39,433,723.60	52,578,298.13
Colorado	2,250,639.40	3,000,852.53
Florida	1,640,250.02	2,187,000.03
Georgia	560,437.53	747,250.04
Idaho	7,637,996.84	10,183,995.78
Illinois	26,184.38	34,912.51
Indiana	51,927.76	69,237.01
Kentucky	278,622.50	371,496.67
Louisiana	1,970,137.50	2,626,850.00
Maine	29,825.08	39,766.77
Michigan	1,624,500.04	2,166,000.05
Minnesota	1,436,598.77	1,915,465.02
Mississippi	2,622,089.65	3,496,119.53
Missouri	1,882,425.05	2,509,900.06
Montana	5,447,356.14	7,263,141.52
Nebraska	29,803.13	39,737.50
Nevada	277,024.21	369,365.61
New Hampshire	433,674.99	578,233.32
New Mexico	1,616,053.43	2,154,737.90
New York	16,462.51	21,950.01
North Carolina	583,535.95	778,047.93
North Dakota	51.17	68.23
Ohio	149,193.77	198,925.03
Oklahoma	916,848.31	1,222,464.41
Oregon	117,816,084.92	157,088,113.22
Pennsylvania	2,807,722.13	3,743,629.51
South Carolina	1,556,751.21	2,075,668.28
South Dakota	1,038,812.45	1,385,083.27
Tennessee	273,832.03	365,109.37
Texas	1,656,916.70	2,209,222.27
Utah	815,849.75	1,087,799.66
Vermont	154,612.55	206,150.06
Virginia	287,924.06	383,898.75
Washington	33,520,835.91	44,694,447.88
West Virginia	575,927.09	767,902.78
Wisconsin	524,002.51	698,670.01
Wyoming	940,162.70	1,253,550.26
Puerto Rico	12,568.80	16,758.40
TOTAL	\$248,682,752.23	\$331,577,002.88