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In 2004, the Forest Service Air Program will celebrate its 30th anniversary. Coincidentally, 2004 is also the 40th anniversary of the Wilderness Act. Over the past three decades, our agency achieved much to protect the National Forests and Grasslands from the adverse effects of air pollution, especially in wilderness. New sources are cleaner because of our comments about their effects on our resources. Through our leadership in the development and adherence to smoke management programs, we have also done much to help local agencies protect communities from the smoke emitted when these lands burn.

As part of the celebration, these accomplishments are highlighted in two posters that have been sent separately. The first poster describes and displays the diversity of monitoring and management activities undertaken by the agency to better aid line officers in assessing air pollution effects on National Forest System lands. The message in the second poster conveys the high value of clean fresh air for visitor enjoyment on the National Forests.

I hope you will find these posters helpful in communicating the continued importance of air resources stewardship. Please distribute these messages to your units.

/s/ George C. Iverson
for

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(Posters sent separately)

