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Plum Creek Awards \$4,000 to Montana Conservation Corps

LIBBY, Mont. – The Plum Creek Foundation recently awarded a \$4,000 grant to the Montana Conservation Corps, which will be used to help fund the Montana Youth Engaged in Service (YES) program.

The Montana YES project works to engage Montana’s teenagers, ages 14-16, in conservation service activities. The project operates statewide and touches the lives of 108 youth, including 36 teens from Libby, Missoula and Kalispell. Current funding will help support two trails projects in Kalispell and Missoula. Montana YES strives to cultivate community and volunteer service, foster a strong work ethic, develop values and commitment to conserve the environment, and nurture positive attitudes among the youth involved.

“We appreciate this generous Plum Creek Foundation grant,” said Maria Kappes, development and outreach coordinator for the Montana Conservation Corps. “We look forward to continuing to foster a mindset of conservation and appreciation for the environment among area youth.”

The mission of the Plum Creek Foundation is to provide philanthropic contributions to support and improve the general welfare of life in the communities that Plum Creek serves. The Foundation board meets quarterly to review applications submitted from organizations in the company’s operating communities. Visit the Community Involvement page on Plum Creek’s Web site at www.plumcreek.com to download an application.

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