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Wisconsin Forest Resources Education Alliance Receives \$2,000 Plum Creek Foundation Grant to Help Educate Wisconsin Teachers

WISCONSIN RAPIDS, Wis. – The Plum Creek Foundation recently awarded a \$2,000 grant to the Wisconsin Forest Resources Education Alliance (WFREA) to help fund “Forest to Finish: A Community-Based Learning Course for Wisconsin School Forest Educators.”

WFREA, in collaboration with LEAF (The Wisconsin K-12 Forestry Education Program) and the Woodland Leadership Institute, will provide two, three-day workshops for teachers interested in developing environmental education programs that utilize school forests. The workshops, which will take place in the summer of 2008 at Elcho and Reedsburg School Forests, will allow participants to develop standards-based forestry field programs for their schools.

“We are grateful to the Plum Creek Foundation for this generous grant, and we look forward to helping Wisconsin forest educators develop curriculum to better utilize their school forests,” said Nick Hylla, director of WFREA. “Forestry is an important part of our state’s heritage and this program will help build strong forestry education programs across the state.”

The Wisconsin Forest Resource Education Alliance, based in Stevens Point, Wis., is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting education about sustainable forestry to Wisconsin residents and resource users.

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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Plum Creek is the largest and most geographically diverse private landowner in the nation, with approximately 8 million acres of timberlands in major timber producing regions of the United States and 10 wood products manufacturing facilities in the Northwest. In Wisconsin, Plum Creek practices sustainable forestry on approximately 400,000 acres of forestland in 26 counties throughout the state. For more information on Plum Creek in Wisconsin, visit www.plumcreek.com/wisconsin.

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