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Greetings,

October is always the month that we recognize our Tree Farmer of the Year from the previous year. The Tree Farmer of the Year is an award given by the New Mexico Tree Farm System to recognize an individual or family that manages their Tree Farm in a way that best exemplifies the values of good forest management.

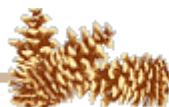
The 2010 Tree Farmer of the Year is Carlos Ramirez and family. They are being recognized for management of their 318 acre property near Rociada, north of Las Vegas. Carlos has been an on the ground manager of a commercial timber harvest and is now embarked on a forest thinning program to improve productivity, reduce fire danger, and provide a commercial crop for the next generation of the family who someday will take over management of the property.

The property is also actively managed for Elk and Turkey hunting. Forest management will improve forage and habitat for these species as well as others. Carlos is also involved with restoring water sources on the property.

The property is adjacent to Forest Service lands and an interesting aspect of a visit to the property is the difference between the active management of the Ramirez property and Forest Service lands that have had no management done recently. Carlos would like to serve as an example of what can be done with our forest lands when properly managed.

We invite you to come out for a tour and lunch on the Ramirez property on Friday October 21, 2011. Particulars and directions are given on the back. This will be an interesting tour for who have the time to come up and see this magnificent property. We congratulate the Ramirez family and look forward to the tour. Hope to see you there.

Harry A. Morrison, Vice Chairman, NM Tree Farm Committee



2010 New Mexico Tree Farmer of the Year: Congratulations to Carlos Ramirez of the Ramirez Tree Farm



Please join us for this field day and award presentation:

When: Friday October 21, 2011

Where: Ramirez Property in Rociada, New Mexico

Time: 10:00 AM – 3:00ish

Lunch will be served. Please bring a dessert

Please RSVP to Shannon Atencio at Shannon.Atencio@state.nm.us

Or (505) 425-7472 by October 7, 2011

Directions from Las Vegas:

Take NM Hwy 518 north out of Las Vegas ~12 miles; Turn left on NM 94 (at the gas station in Sapello) Follow 94 until it forks off to the right (do not turn right on 94); Continue going straight – onto State Route 105; The road forks again at the transfer station, go straight on State Route 276 into the village of Lower Rociada. *In the village, just past the church on the left (white church with blue roof) there is a dirt road that turns to the right. There is a sign pointing to the cemetery (“Camposanto del Santo Nino”). Turn right on this dirt road, follow it past the cemetery and on to the Ramirez property (which will be marked and vehicles will be present). *For additional questions contact Shannon Atencio.

