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## **News Release**

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### **VALLES CALDERA TRUST BOARD TO MEET PUBLIC INVITED**

**Jemez Springs, NM** – The Valles Caldera Trust Board of Trustees will conduct a meeting in public on Thursday, December 6, 2012, scheduled from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Spa, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The meeting agenda will include a year-end budget update for Fiscal Year 2012, a report on the State of the Preserve, a presentation on restoration and stewardship projects, and a review of the 2012 livestock program and public visitation. Public comments will be heard after the last report with adjournment scheduled immediately thereafter. Links to the agenda and map to the Embassy Suites are posted on the Trust's website at <http://ow.ly/fAS1L>.

The Board of the Valles Caldera Trust conducts all decision-making meetings in public. Board of Trustee members are appointed by the President of the United States. Current members are: Dr. Raymond Loretto, Jemez Pueblo, NM; Dr. Melissa Savage, Santa Fe, NM; Virgil Trujillo, Abiquiu, NM; Dr. Ken Smith, Sewanee, TN; Kent Salazar, Albuquerque, NM; Karyn Stockdale, Santa Fe, NM; Jason Lott, Superintendent, Bandelier National Monument and Maria Garcia, Supervisor of the Santa Fe National Forest.

The Valles Caldera Trust oversees the Valles Caldera National Preserve, formerly the privately owned "Baca Ranch." The 89,000 acre property is located in the Jemez Mountains in northern New Mexico. It was purchased by the federal government in 2000 under the Valles Caldera National Preservation Act. The property is known for its huge meadows, abundant wildlife, meandering streams and remarkable scenery. More information about the Preserve can be found at [www.vallescaldera.gov](http://www.vallescaldera.gov).

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