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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 Friday, September 30, 2011, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Santa Claran Hotel, in Espanola, New Mexico.

The meeting agenda will include discussion of:

- a Fiscal Year 2012 budget proposal
- a status report on the CFLRP
- the development of a strategic plan
- Las Conchas Fire effects and post fire monitoring
- elements of the 2012 State of the Preserve Report

Other reports will include cultural resources inventory and monitoring, and a recreation program update. Public comments will be heard after the final report with adjournment scheduled at 1:00 p.m. The agenda will be posted on the Trust's website.

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; 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.

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