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WHOLE TREE CHIPPING - More than 300 people have registered for the Whole Tree Chipping Conference sponsored by DOC and scheduled for April 9th at the Augusta Civic Center. "The popular response" said Ellen Baum "has forced us to move the conference from Cushnoc Auditorium which holds about 225 people to the much larger North Wing" of the Civic Center.

"The main thrust of the conference which is entitled "Opportunities and Constraints of Whole Tree Chipping" said Commissioner Anderson "will be to address the silvicultural opportunities presented by whole tree chip harvesting. We know that roughly 40% of our wood would go unused if not used for energy purposes. We want to know what it takes to capture that 40% and leave the rest of the forest in good condition".

BUDWORM PROJECT PLANS - Approximately 750,000 acres of spruce-fir forest in northern, eastern and western Maine are scheduled for treatment with insecticides during the 1984 Spruce Budworm Suppression Project.

More than 30% of the acreage or 248,500 acres will be treated with the biological insecticide BI (Bacillus thuringiensis). Other insecticides to be used include aminocarb (Matacil) on about 39,000 acres and mexacarbate (Zectran) on about 460,000 acres.

Globe Air of Mesa, Arizona has again been awarded the spray contract. Aircraft, multi-engine and single engine fixed wing, will fly out of airports located in Greenville, Princeton, Presque Isle and Estcourt.

Two DOC retirees, Earl Williams and Vaughn Thornton, have been hired as airport supervisors at Presque Isle airport and Greenville airport respectively. Tony St. Peter (MFS) will run Princeton airport and Verne Labbe (BPL) will operate Estcourt airport at the northern end of the state.

LAND USE REGULATION COMMISSION NEWS - The Land Use Regulation Commission recently adopted special protection (P-RR) zoning for more than 200 miles of northern Maine rivers. Zoning will be applied to sections and tributaries of the Aroostook, Big Machias, and East Branch Penobscot Rivers, as well as selected tributaries to the St. John and Allagash Rivers. The Commission temporarily deferred action on the zoning of the Aroostook River in Oxbow Plantation and the Big Machias River in Garfield Plantation. Their actions also apply Unusual Area Protection (P-UA) zoning to a stand of old growth white pine located along Wassataquoik Stream near Baxter State Park and a significant archaeological site along the Big Black River.



LAND USE  
REGULATION  
COMMISSION  
NEWS CONTINUED

- The Land Use Regulation Commission along with the Board of Environmental Protection also announced a hearing to receive public comments on a Bureau of Public Lands proposal to construct a 1,227 foot causeway and 36 foot bridge to Gero Island in Chesuncook Lake. The hearings will be held April 17th at the Bangor Hilton from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and at an evening session from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

MAINE  
CONSERVATION  
CORPS  
NEWS

- Dennis Doiron, Director of the MCC said that he is accepting applications through April 20 for summer project team leader positions which are available to mature students and recent graduates who have previous supervisory experience. Team leaders will direct the work of 15 teams of teenage corps members on projects like the recently announced Quoddy Head State Park project. Doiron and Commissioner Anderson recently announced the Quoddy Project where ten corps members from Washington County will construct a 700 foot boardwalk to West Quoddy Head Heath. They'll also cut down dead trees which may be hazardous to visitors, reinforce trails, develop picnic areas, and install interpretive panels at the whale-watchers overlook and peat bog. The MCC is also coordinating Internships with several bureaus. Interns must be Maine residents and be entering their junior year this fall at an accredited college or university. Applications will be accepted through May 3. Interns will work on specific projects for agencies such as the Maine Forest Service, the Land Use Regulation Commission and the Maine Geological Survey. Descriptions of specific Internships are available by contacting Dennis Doiron.

MEET  
ME AT  
THE PARKS  
DAY II

- Planning has begun for the '84 celebration tentatively scheduled for June 9 & 10. The following Committees are hard at work: Steering Committee - Dick Anderson, Marshall Wiebe, Annee Tara, Norm Rodrigue and Herb Hartman, Chairman -- Educational Activity Committee - Ellen Baum and Sheila McDonald, Co-Chair -- Recreational Activity Committee - Leland Griffin and Ken Wiley, Co-Chair -- Photo Contest Committee - Dan Bell, Chair -- VIP Support Committee - Dick Anderson, Annee Tara, Ken Spalding and Ken Stratton -- Publicity and Promotion Committee - Mike Gallagher, Dick Dyer, Co-Chair; Rob Gardiner and Tim Hall.

FEDERAL  
FUNDS  
FOR FORESTRY  
REDUCED

- Eleven forestry positions have been eliminated as a result of reduced financial assistance from the USDA Forest Service. Employees in these positions are expected to exercise their "bumping rights" making it difficult to determine the ultimate effects of the cut-back. Commissioner Anderson has directed that "no interviews or commitments to hire be made anywhere in the Department without my written approval" so that "we may assure that every effort is made to place affected people in jobs that they are interested in and qualified to do."

MRPA

- Commissioner Anderson delivered the key-note speech to the 1984 Annual Spring Meeting of the Maine Parks and Recreation Association at the Samoset Inn on April 2. The Commissioner called upon the recreation professionals to take an active interest in the proposal to create a second National Outdoor Recreation Review Commission.

WALTERS  
V.P.

- Terry Walters has been elected Vice President of the Western Maine Chapter of the Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine. Terry also showed slides of his Society of American Foresters Forestry Field Trip to France to the Western Maine Forest Forum in March.

MGS  
MAPS  
UPDATED

- The Maine Geological Survey's Cartographic Division has updated its map of Earthquakes in Maine to include events through '83. Thirty-one new earthquakes were recorded in 1983.