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BUDWORM -PROJECT COMPLETED

The Maine Forest Service completed the 1985 spruce budworm suppression project on June 21 after treating approximately 385,500 acres of forestland in eastern, western and northern Maine to reduce spruce budworm populations and keep trees alive. MFS entomologists will now evaluate how effective the spray treatment was in protecting spruce and fir trees from budworm damage. This year's project was completed with only one incident, when a plane crashed on take-off. Fortunately, the pilot was not injured. About 125 state and contractor personnel were employed on the project which began on the evening of May 23.

HARLOW BUILDING SECURITY

- Security for the Harlow Building continues to be a problem. Anyone authorized to be in the building after hours and on weekends should enter and exit only through the Northwest entrance. (The one with the handicap ramp). You should always sign in and out by telephoning Capitol Security using the direct line provided for that purpose at the entrance. leaving the building, make sure that the door is securely shut. If you're in the building, don't let anyone else in. They must sign in through Capitol Security. These rules haven't been followed and may account for the recent thefts in the Harlow Building. Everyone's cooperation would be appreciated.

AREAS MAPPING TRIP

VISIBLE - A trip to map out "visible areas" that can be seen from within one mile of the Allagash Wilderness Waterway began yesterday and continues through the end of the week. Trip attendees include Tom Cieslinski, Ed Beach, Marshall Wiebe, Jim Connors, Bill Warner and Jack Dirkman from the Department of Conservation, and representatives from 4 major landowners. Following the trip, a visible areas map and timber harvesting application will be prepared and a public hearing will be held to formally adopt rules and procedures. It is hoped that the new harvesting application procedure will be operational this fall.

RANGER -ACADEMY

The DOC's Forest Service is conducting the 1985 Forest Ranger Academy this week at the Eastern Maine Vocational Technical Institute in Bangor. Rangers, fire tower watchpersons and other Forest Service personnel will be trained in mapping, law enforcement, leadership and safety. Lewis Allen, MFS Training Coordinator is conducting the academy.

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- MORAINE Woody Thompson, MGS, is studying a large glacial end moraine on the Maine-New Hampshire border in the Androscoggin River Valley. The moraine is significant because of its large size and because it is the only well-formed glacial moraine known in the White Mountains. Woody is being assisted in the study by the president of the Mount Washington Observatory.
- NEW Herb Hartman, BPR Director, has announced the following appointments at 7 of the State parks: Myrle Scott is the new manager of Mt Blue State Park in Weld; Stuart Wagner has been named manager of Rangeley Lakes (replacing Myrle); Ken Meyer, former AWW Ranger, is the new manager of the Penobscot River Corridor; Charles Noble is now managing Ferry Beach State Park in Saco; Mark Wight has been named the new manager of Grafton Notch State Park; Mickey Rogers is the new manager of Lake St. George State Park in Liberty; and Brian Murray is the new manager of Colonial Pemaquid in Bristol. Congratulations to all the new managers!!
- READING
 RAINBOW

 PROMOTED

 A ready-to-plant white pine seedling was given to the first 1,000 young readers to visit MPBN's booth at the Bangor Mall this past weekend according to Ken Stratton, MFS Director. MPBN was at the mall promoting the return to the air of "Reading Rainbow" and the documentary "Reading Rainbow in Maine: Behind the Scenes". Both shows were made in Maine last year with the assistance of the Maine Forest Service. The donated seedlings were grown at the Maine Forest Service Nursery in Greenbush where a portion of the Reading Rainbow program was videotaped.
- PHOTO This is just a reminder of the DOC Employees Photo Contest.
 You have until December 1985 to get those winners in.
 Categories include: Natural Resource Conservation (photos of conservation activity on lands administered by the Department); Outdoor Recreation (photos of outdoor recreation activity (four season) in relation to Department facilities, programs, or lands); The Work of the DOC (any photos showing the agency's work, for example "employees in action", service being provided, etc.); General (photos relating to Departmental programs).
- PERSONNEL

 Doug Cotnoir has accepted a position with the Business
 Regulation Department in Hallowell. This is a promotion
 for Doug so we can't blame him for leaving, but he will
 be missed. Good luck, Doug...Marie Plourd is now the
 Supervisor of Payroll, replacing Don Norman who voluntarily
 demoted to his old position with Franklin...Marie Drew has
 also been promoted, replacing Jean Kinney who just retired
 after 19 years of service. Marie worked out to Bolton
 Hill previously...Congratulations to you both!...Roscoe
 Sanborn has joined us again for the summer. Welcome back
 Roscoe!