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Cadillac, MI 49601

To: Members of the Kirtland's  
Warbler Advisory Committee

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From: Bill Irvine

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A new Wildlife Biologist position was recently established on the Huron-Manistee National Forests to work primarily on fulfilling our obligations in the protection and management of the Kirtland's Warbler and its habitat as prescribed in the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (PL93-205).

This position has been filled by Phillip Schempf. Phil comes to us from California where he recently completed a temporary appointment on the Tahoe National Forest. Prior to that he was completing his Masters Degree in Wildland Management at the University of California, Berkeley, under Dr. A. Starker Leopold. His thesis was on the distribution of fisher, marten, otter and wolverine in the National Forests and Parks of California. Phil did his undergraduate work at the U. of Minnesota in wildlife biology. His home was in Elk River, Minnesota.

For the next couple of years we will be taking an intensive look at the 132,000 acres of jack pine stands and identifying those that have potential for applying the type of practices that will produce nesting habitat. Once these stands are identified then the cuts, burns, etc. will be scheduled to accomplish the above on a sustained basis. Phil will be the key person on this project, but will be working in conjunction with the Ranger District personnel on the Huron. Phil will be participating in the census and protection work on the K. Warbler project and some of the other wildlife activities on the Huron as time permits.

Wildlife Biologist

cc: MAS & DAS  
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