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MISSOULA--

Tours of various private, state and federal lands and facilities located in western Montana are scheduled Thursday and Friday, June 17-18, for many of the scientists participating in the 57th Annual Meeting of the Pacific Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

More than 500 scientists from the AAAS Pacific Division are attending the meeting through Thursday, June 17, at the University of Montana. The tours are scheduled through Friday, June 18, in conjunction with the annual meeting.

Members of the Society of American Foresters interested in forest management practices will tour private, state and federal lands from Missoula to Kalispell beginning at 8 a.m. Thursday.

Thursday's tour will be via the Blackfoot, Clearwater and Swan River drainages northeast of Missoula. A lunch stop is scheduled at Holland Lake, one of the major entrances to the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area.

Scientists who are members of the American Society of Limnology and Oceanography will tour University facilities at the UM Biological Station at Yellow Bay on Flathead Lake on Thursday. Participants will leave Missoula at 9:30 a.m. Dr. John F. Tibbs, director of the UM Biological Station, is in charge of the program.

A field trip to the Coram Experimental Forest near Hungry Horse is scheduled for Friday by the Society of American Foresters. Those participating will receive introductory information at the Hungry Horse Ranger Station at 9 a.m. Research during the field trip will include studies of wood utilization, silvicultural projects, hydrology, fuels and wildlife habitat.

Families of many of the scientists participating in the annual AAAS Pacific Division meeting are visiting the University campus with the scientists.