Opening Assignment for Montana Field Seminar

The case book Federal Public Land and Resources Law – 7th edition is now on reserve at VLS. The 6th edition will also work, and there are copies of that on reserve as well, in case there is a “crunch” for the reserve material. It is important that you read this material before you come to Montana – it provides important background that will be vital to understanding the lectures the first day.

The pages listed are for the 7th edition. On the second page, I have listed the pages for the 6th edition. The readings should for the most part coincide.

7th Edition pages:

Chapter 9 – The Forest Resource

Section A – Introduction

Section B – Traditional Forest Service Management

Section C – The Watershed (Monongahela Decision)

Section D – The National Forest Management Act

Read Part D through subpart 3 – the Diversity Mandate and Ecological Sciences section.

Pages 651-697

Subpart F – The Northwest Forest Plan

Pages 713-730

Optional Reading

This material covers the history of public lands in the U.S. I will lecture about this material during the first class session. It is important for background, but not critical to your ability to understand the central themes of the course.

Chapter 1 – Subpart C – Management of Federal Lands

Chapter 2 – Subparts A and B – Acquisition and Disposition of the Public Domain
(You can skip the State Lands and Trust Doctrine materials in part 2 – pgs. 63-91)

Chapter 2 Subpart C -- Reservation, Withdrawal and Reacquisition
Introductory pages and section 1
6th Edition pages:

Chapter 8 – The Timber Resource

Section A – Traditional Forest Service Management

Section B – The Watershed (Monongahela Decision)

Section C – The National Forest Management Act

Read Part C through subpart 4 – the Revision to Planning Regulations section.

Pages 685-738

Subpart D – The Northwest Forest Plan

Pages 753-766

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Introductory pages and section 1, through the piece by Harold W. Wood Jr.