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Recording in Progress

Public lands in the United States hold the creation stories, burial grounds, and ceremonies of Indigenous people who were killed or forcibly removed from their ancestral homes during territorial acquisition.

Many tribes, comprised of different bands, live in the Eastern Sierra region, caring for their native lands as they coexist with the ongoing impacts of colonization. Past or present tribes and bands associated with the region that this effort is aware of include, but are not limited to, the Miwok, Mono Lake Kutzadika'a, Mono/Monache, Nüümü (Paiute), Newe (Shoshone), Timbi-Sha, Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute, and Washoe.

Two Nüümü terms describe the region and provide important context to ideas offered in this presentation. The first is Pamidu Toiyabe (Western Mountains), and the other, more widely known, place name is Payahuunadü (The Place Where Water Flows).

This acknowledgement is an invitation to all organizations, residents, and visitors to recognize the way this history has shaped the present as all parties work together in anticipation of a better future.

What is the ESSRP



“A public/public partnership between tribal, local, state, and federal government agencies and a regional voice for sustainable outdoor recreation in California.”

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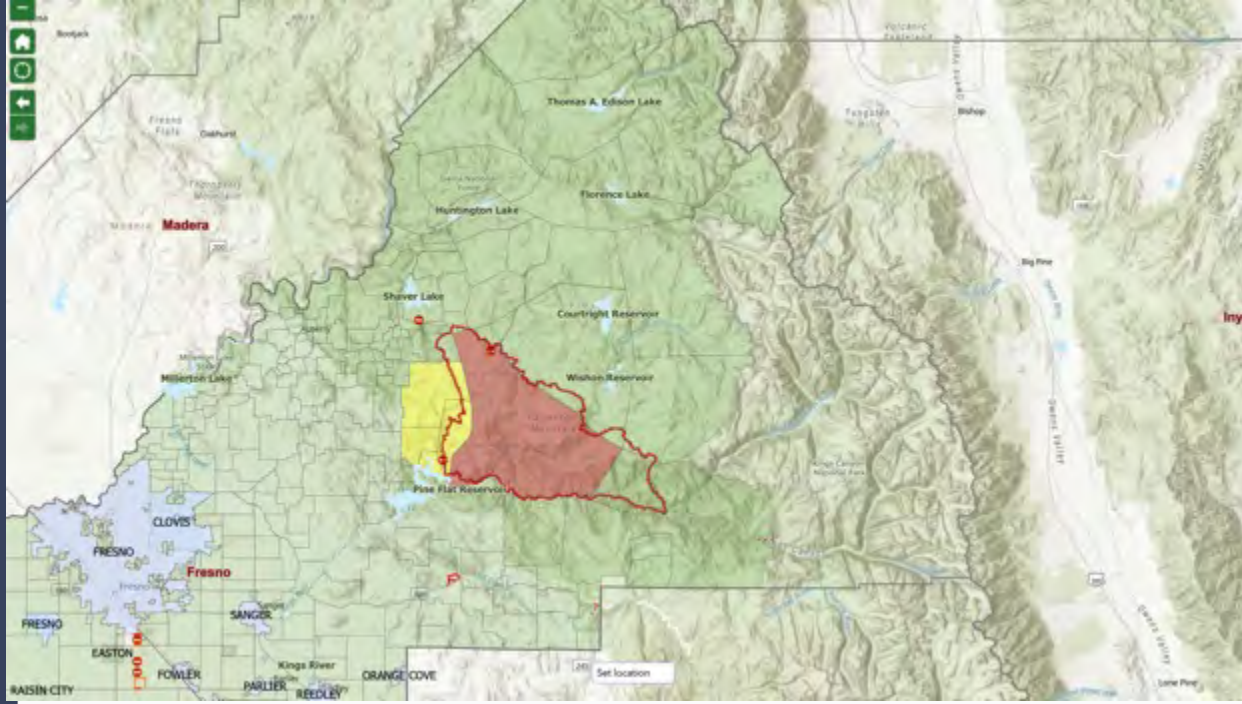
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Sierra Jobs First Collaborative

- Recreation / Tourism Partners
 - Westside + Eastside
- Arts + Culture Community
- Sierra Business Council

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Fire Updates

- Basin Fire / Fresno County
- Pizona Fire / Inyo National Forest
- Inyo NF / Stage 1 Fires Restrictions

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By Vince Ybarra

Monday, July 1, 2024 6:24AM



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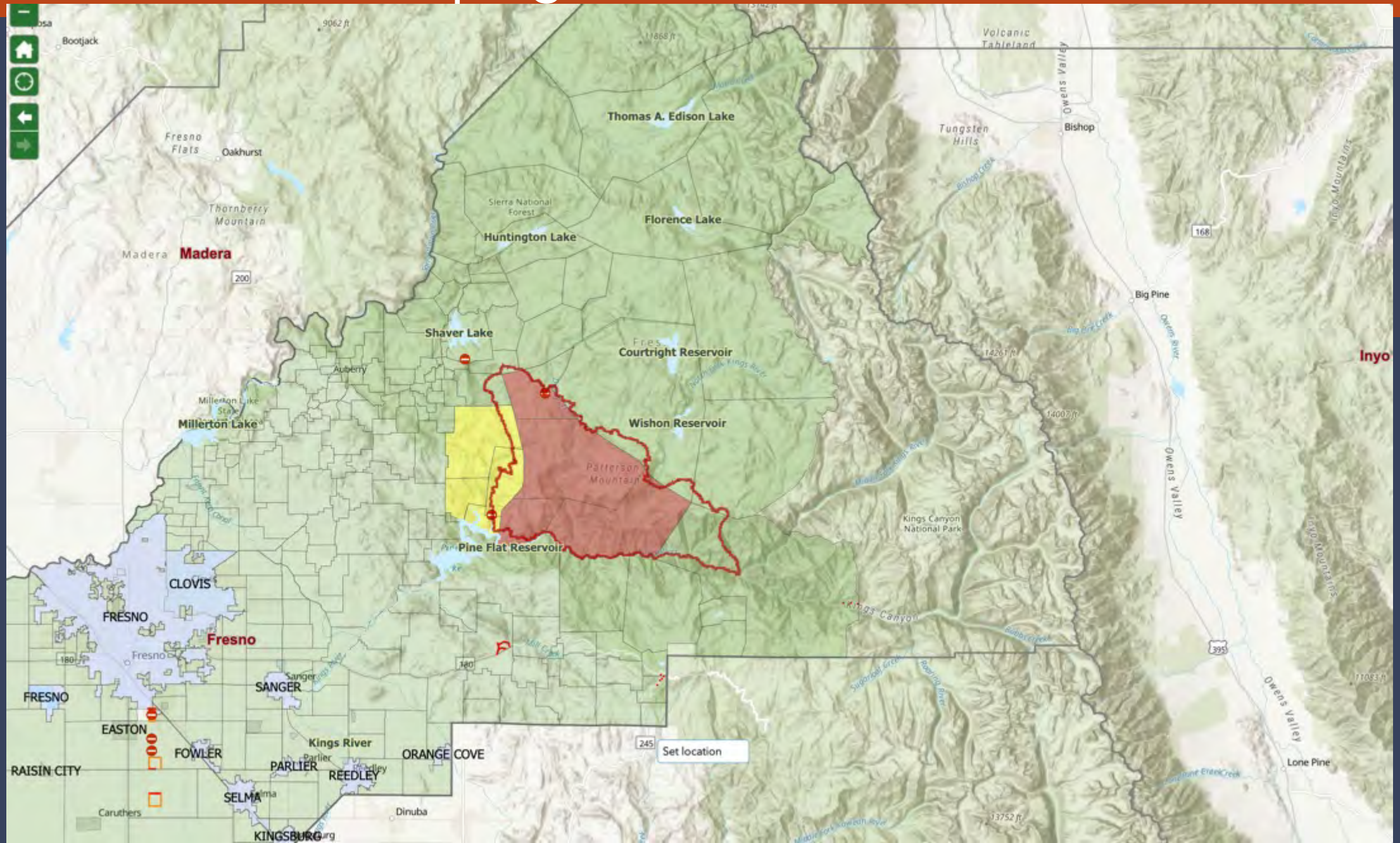


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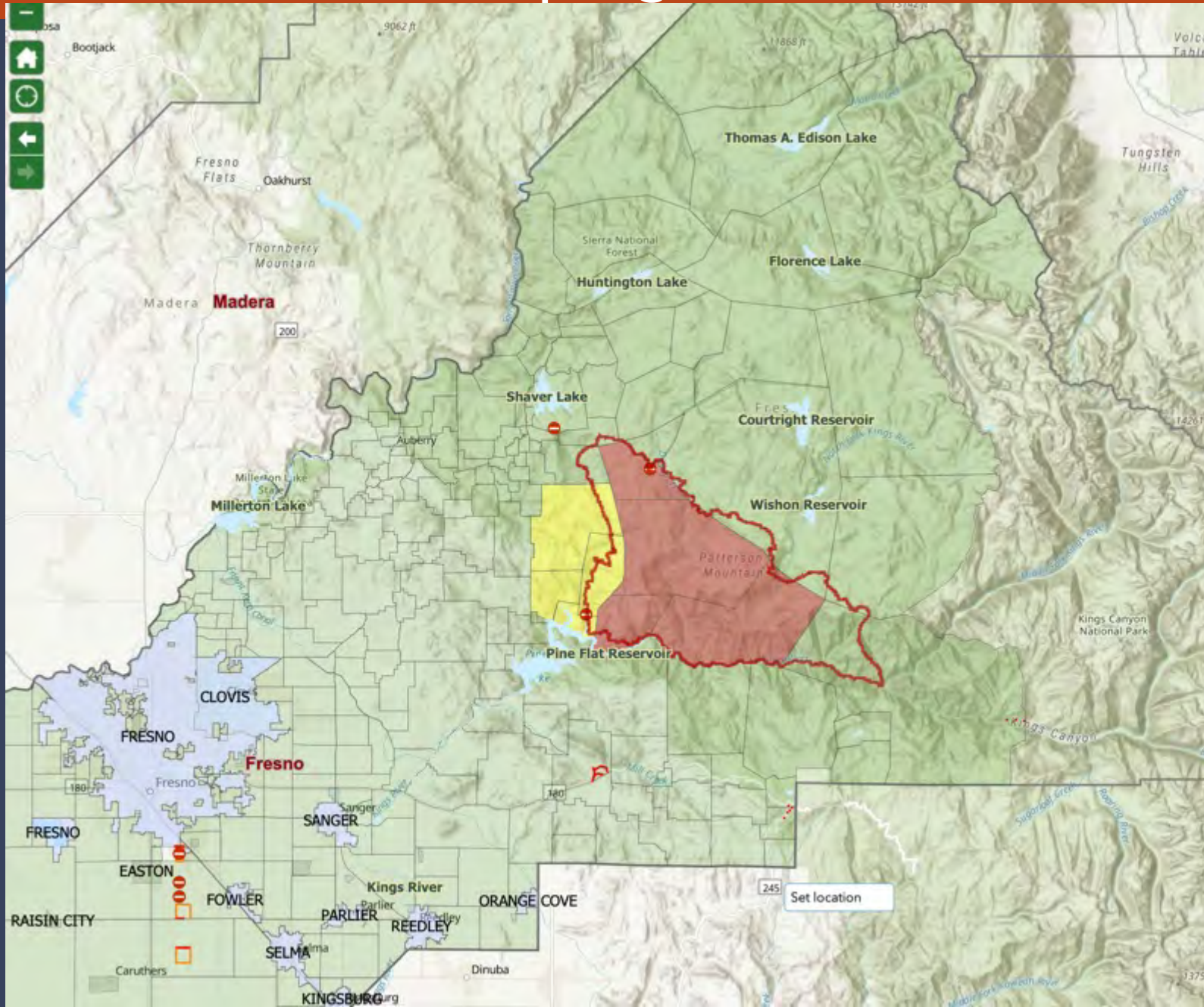
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Inyo National Forest, Pacific Southwest Region

Forest Service News Release

Public Affairs Officer: Lisa Cox

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Pizona Fire morning update June 27, 2024

Acreage: 540 **Percent Containment:** 0%

Current Resources: 5 hand crews, 5 engines, 4 helicopters, 2 air tankers, 1 air attack, 2 water tenders, 20 overhead.

Resources at risk: powerlines and sage grouse habitat

Summary:

Last night, the Pizona Fire grew approximately 200 acres from 300 to 540 while ground resources arrived on scene for a full suppression response.

Due to the remoteness of the fire's location east of Adobe Valley in Mineral County, Nevada, logistics remain the biggest challenge for managing this fire. Air resources will be used as the primary suppression tactic, with assistance from a smokejumper crew out of a remote base in Porterville, California.

The fire is currently located within the Inyo National Forest boundary, approximately one-half mile from the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, and one mile from Bureau of Land Management land.

The fire was determined to be caused by lightning. There are no structures threatened and no evacuations in place.

Breaking updates on this fire will be posted to Inyo National Forest's Facebook page and website when possible.

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www.facebook.com/inyonf



Forest website:

www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/inyo/alerts-notices



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Lightning-Sparked Pizona Wildfire Grows to 2,000 Acres in Mineral County

Jun 28, 2024 Updated 18 hrs ago



Forest Service

Firefighters are working on containing a lightning-sparked wildfire that continues to grow in Mineral County.

The Pizona Fire is currently 10% contained at more than 2,000 acres, east of Mono Lake and Adobe

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FOREST ORDER NO. 05-04-50-24-10
USDA Forest Service
Inyo National Forest
Stage I Fire Restrictions

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), and to protect natural resources and provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the Inyo National Forest. This Order is effective from July 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal briquettes except in the Developed Recreation Sites listed in Exhibit A. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, within the Developed Recreation Sites listed in Exhibit A, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(d).
3. Welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with an open flame. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(g).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order;
2. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit are not exempt from the prohibitions contained in this Order. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit, however, may use a portable stove or lantern that is solely fueled by pressurized liquid petroleum or pressurized gas (LPG) fluids, and is outfitted with a shut off valve.
3. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
4. Persons with a Special Use Permit from the Forest Service for a recreation residence in one of the residence tracts listed in Exhibit B are exempt from Prohibition No. 1 while they are at their recreation residence, provided that the activity is done in compliance with the terms of the permit.
5. Persons with a Special Use Permit from the Forest Service for an organization camp, pack station, range permittee, or resort listed in Exhibit B are exempt from Prohibition No. 1 while at their organization camp or resort, provided that the activity is done in compliance with the terms of the permit.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed at Bishop, California, on this 26th day of June 2024.


LESLEY YEN
Forest Supervisor



MONO LAKE RANGER DISTRICT

Aerie Crag Campground
Aspen Campground
Big Bend Campground
Big Springs Campground
Deadman Campground
Ellery Lake Campground
Glass Creek Campground
Grant Lake Marina Campground
Gull Lake Campground
Hartley Springs Campground
Junction Campground
June Lake Beach Picnic Area
June Lake Campground
Lower Lee Vining Campground
Moraine Campground
Obsidian Flat Campground
Oh! Ridge Campground
Reversed Creek Campground
Silver Lake Campground,
Sawmill Campground
Tioga Lake Campground
Saddlebag Lake Campground
Walker Lake Trailhead

MAMMOTH RANGER DISTRICT

Agnew Meadows Campground
Coldwater Campground
Convict Lake Campground and Day Use Area
Lake George Campground
Lake Mary Campground
Minaret Falls Campground
New Shady Rest Campground
Old Shady Rest Campground
Pine City Campground
Pine Glen Campground
Pumice Flat Campground
Reds Meadow Campground

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EXHIBIT B

(Recreation Residences, Pack Stations, Range Permittees and Resorts)

RECREATION RESIDENCE TRACTS

Big Pine Tract
Crater Tract
Falls Tract
Glass Creek Tract
Gull Lake Tract
June Lake Tract
Lake George Tract
Lake Mary Tract
Lake Sabrina Tract
Lower Rock Creek Tract
Mill City Tract
Palisades Tract
Pine Glade Tract
Rock Creek Tract
Seven Pines Tract
Sherwin Creek Tract
Silver Lake Tract
South Fork Tract
Twin Lakes Tract
Utter Tract
Whiskey Creek Tract
Whitney Portal Tract

ORGANIZATION CAMPS, PACK STATIONS, RANGE PERMITTEES AND RESORTS

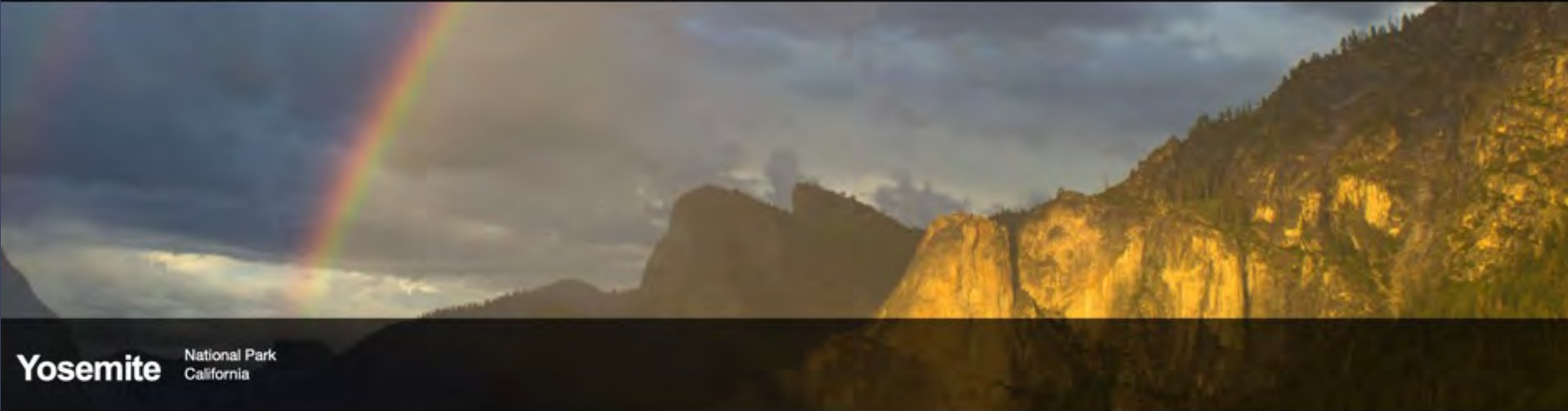
B&G Camp (Sherwin Creek)
Convict Lake Resort
Cottonwood Pack Station
Crystal Crag
Frontier Pack Train
Glacier Lodge
Glacier Pack Train
Golden Trout Camp
Grant Lake Resort Marina
Kemp Ranch
Mammoth Lakes Pack Outfit
Mammoth Mountain Chalets
Mammoth Mountain RV Park
McGee Creek Pack Station

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Current Park Conditions ›

Learn more about current conditions in Yosemite such as roads, trails, campgrounds, fire, rivers and waterfalls, snowpack, etc.



Frequently Asked Questions ›

Planning a visit to Yosemite? Check out these common questions related to reservations, what to do, where to go, and more.

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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

Park Entry Requires a Reservation

A reservation is required to enter the park on some dates in 2024.

Peak-Hours Reservation required between 5 am and 4 pm

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JULY 1 – AUGUST 16 Daily

AUGUST 17 – OCTOBER 27 Saturdays, Sundays, & holidays only

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INYO NATIONAL FOREST

1. Whitney Portal Campground

Lone Pine [SEE ON MAP](#)

It comes as no surprise that the staging area for folks aiming to climb the highest peak in the lower 48 states tops the list.

Whitney Portal offers 43 campsites tucked into a pine-studded canyon among granite boulders in the Eastern Sierra, a short drive from the town of Lone Pine. Each has a picnic table, fire ring with a grate grill, bear locker and a flat area to pitch a tent. There are vault toilets and, down the road, a camp store and restaurant.

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9 Of The Most Walkable Towns In California's Sierra Nevada

California has no shortage of wonders from cities like San Francisco to locations like Universal Studios Holidays that extend an invitation for tourists to travel over the state. Another such standout happens to be the Sierra Nevada range that harbors the best of nature. Amid these towering peaks and lush forests, you can also find many walkable towns that boast pedestrian-friendly streets lined with historical landmarks, local boutiques, cozy cafes, and scenic parks.

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Mammoth Lakes



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Outside

Overtourism Is Out of Control. Here Are the New Rules of Travel.

Post-pandemic travel is surging, and overtourism is pushing popular places to their limits. How can you be a good traveler when some locals just want you to go home?



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FORTUNE

Patagonia became famous for letting staff cut out early to chase waves—now it's asking dozens of employees to relocate or leave because it's 300% overstaffed



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Report: Outdoor recreation spending chasm poised to grow

By Garrett Downs | 06/04/2024 06:39 AM EDT

The funding gap between recreation infrastructure needs and federal funding could reach \$34 billion by 2042.



People walk along a trail as the sun sets in Death Valley National Park. John Locher/AP

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June 2024 is California Mountain Biking Month!

On February 28, 2024, Assemblymember Damon Connolly and Senate minority leader Brian Jones introduced [Assembly Concurrent Resolution 152](#) designating June 2024 as **California Mountain Biking Month**. #CAMTBmonth is a celebration of the people and culture of the larger mountain and gravel biking community in California. ACR 152 recognizes the deep roots mountain biking has in California as the birthplace of the sport. It highlights the numerous benefits mountain biking provides to Californians and

Hot Links July 1, 2024

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 - Eastern Sierra CA Jobs First: Overview and Updates
 - Visit CA: Regional Tourism Strategies

Eastern Sierra CA Jobs First Region: Overview and Updates

The logo for California Jobs First is displayed on a blue-tinted background showing a person working on a laptop. The text "CALIFORNIA JOBS" is in white, and "FIRST" is in large, bold, orange letters.

CALIFORNIA JOBS FIRST



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JOBS FIRST

- Visit CA: Regional Tourism Strategies
- Industry Sector Workshop "Sustainable Recreation & Tourism"
- Draft Strategy Packet
- Governing Council Meeting: June 28, Mammoth Lakes
- Upcoming Meetings & Events
- The Recreation Context

Visit CA: Regional Tourism Strategies





At the Top of the Golden Gate Bridge, Governor Newsom Announces Tourism Spending Hit an All-Time High in California

California remains the #1 state for tourism

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW: New data released today shows that California continues to have the largest market share of tourism in the nation, with travel spending in the state reaching an all-time record high of \$150.4 billion last year.

SAN FRANCISCO – Governor Gavin Newsom and Visit California CEO Caroline Beteta today announced that travel spending in the state reached an all-time high of \$150.4 billion last year, surpassing the record \$144.9 billion spent in 2019. This comes after the state retained its title as the [world's 5th largest economy](#) and had a [population increase](#), both of which are directly tied to California's nation-leading tourism and entertainment industries.



Jun 29, 2024

Governor Newsom signs 2024 state budget supporting fiscal stability and core programs

What you need to know: The Governor signed legislation reflecting the final budget agreement with the Legislature, delivering a budget that is balanced over the next two fiscal years while maintaining investments in core programs. Historic reserves and responsible budgeting in recent years enable the state to maintain fiscal stability amid fluctuation in revenues.

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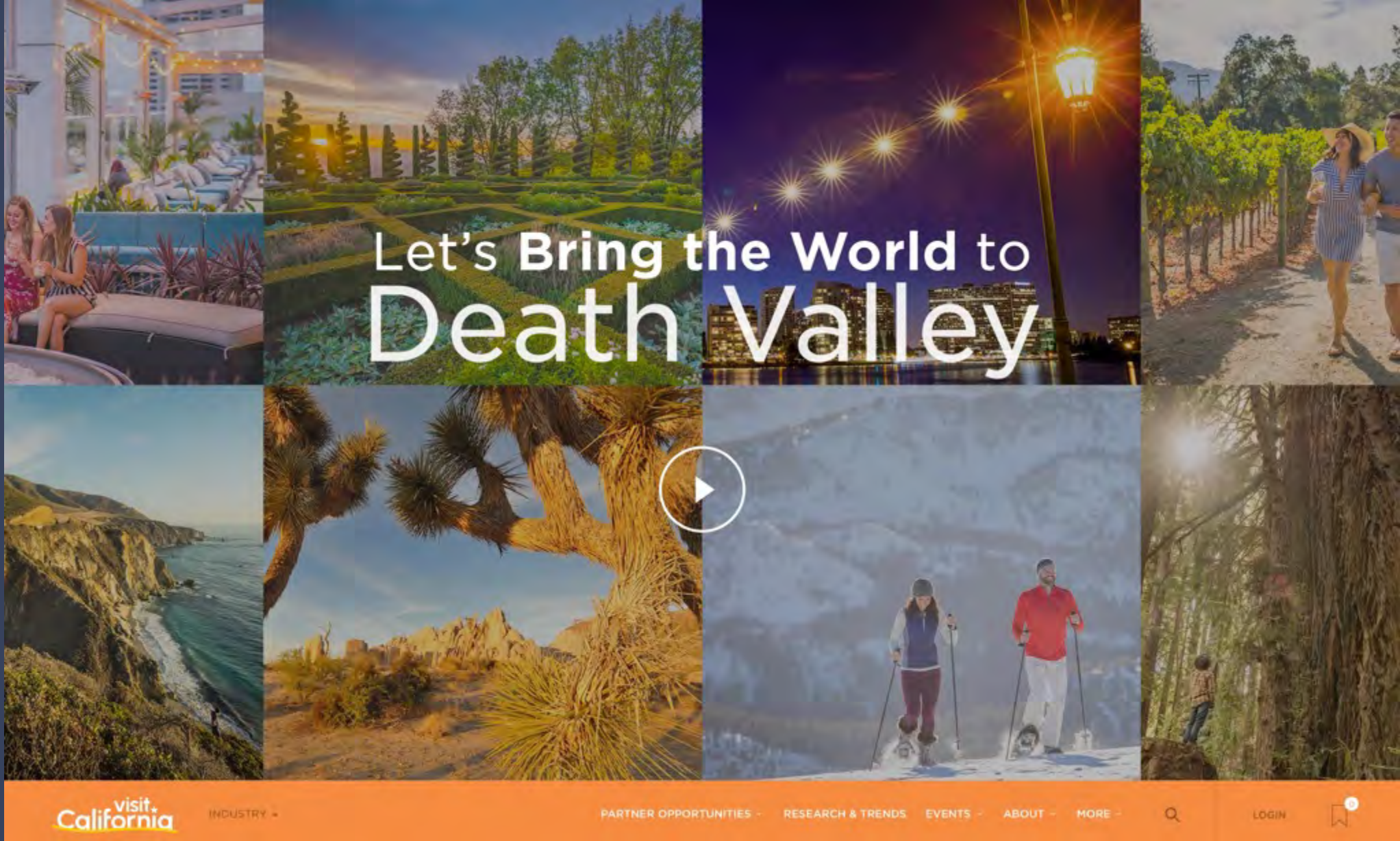
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California remains the 5th largest economy in the world and for the first time in years, the state's [population is increasing](#) and [tourism spending](#) recently experienced a record high. California is #1 in the nation for new [business starts](#), #1 for access to venture capital [funding](#), and the #1 state for [manufacturing](#), [high-tech](#), and [agriculture](#).

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A video player interface with a background image of yellow wildflowers. The video content displays a list of seven principles for responsible travel, each preceded by a large blue letter in a yellow circle. The video player includes a progress bar at the top showing 1:15 out of 1:41, and a navigation menu at the bottom.

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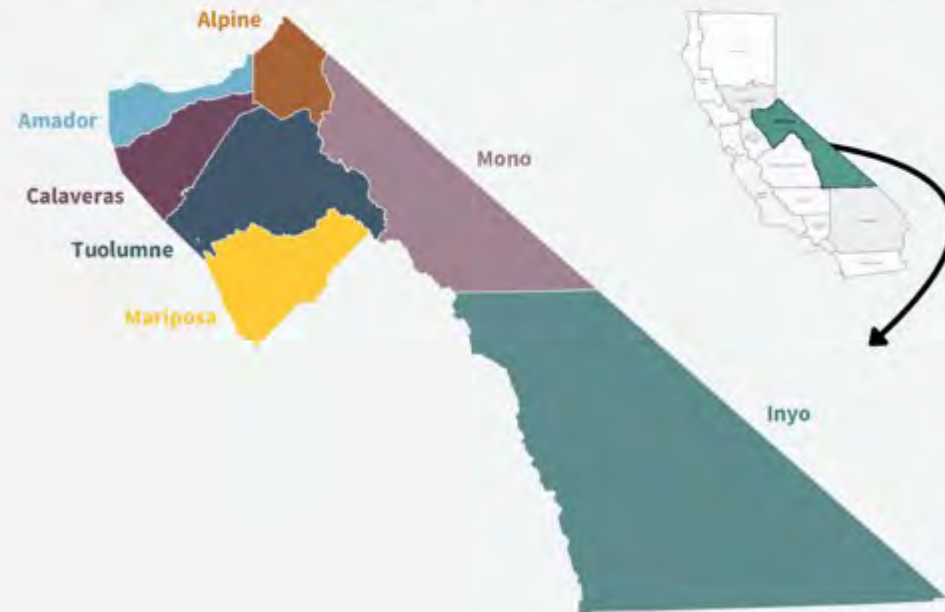
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Sierra Jobs First

The seven-county Sierra Jobs First region is defined as one of the 13 regions of the California Jobs First Program. It is a predominantly rural and sparsely populated area of California with an abundance of natural resources that benefit the entire state. Today, just under 200,000 people live in the Sierra Jobs First region, in both smaller towns and unincorporated county areas. Nearly 75% of the land in this region is publicly owned.



Sierra Jobs First's communities are strong, with vibrant downtowns and local economies built around the incredible natural features and ecosystem services of the region, including the National Parks, forests, deserts, and watersheds. There are immense opportunities and enthusiasm for empowering this region's economies, workforce, indigenous cultures, land, and people through California Jobs First investments.



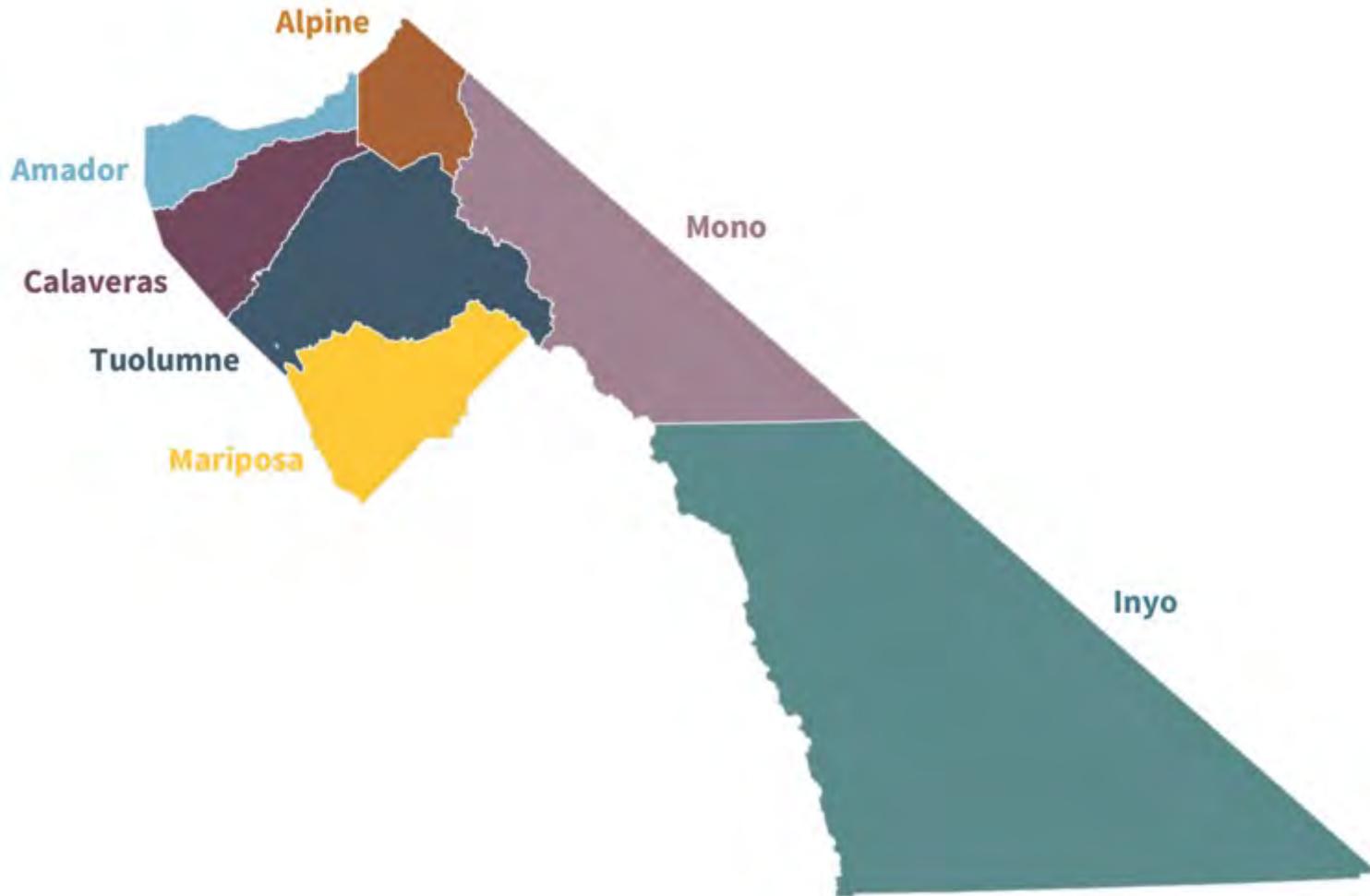
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August 29, 2024

6.21	Public Review Draft & Summary of Community Feedback Report POSTED
6.21 - 7.12	<u>Public Review Period 1</u>
6.30	Regional Summary Comments Due
7.12 - 7.28	Revision Period 1
	Tasks: • Review & Incorporate Content Edits Based on Public Comments • Prepare Summary Report of Comments
7.29 - 7.31	Indesign Phase 2: No Content Edits
7.31	Draft 2 & Summary of Public Comments Round 1 POSTED
7.31 - 8.9	<u>Public Review Period 2</u>
8.10 - 8.16	Revision Period 2: Comment Review & Edits to Draft
8.16	FINAL DRAFT & Summary of Public Comments Round 2 POSTED
8.16 - 8.23	Final Review by Governing Council
8.23	Governing Council Votes to Approve Plan
8.26 - 8.29	Final Internal Formatting & Any Content Edits Requested (and Approved) by Council
8.29	SBC Submits to State on behalf of Sierra Jobs First Collaborative

Visit CA: Regional Tourism Strategies

June 11, 2024



Regional Strategic Plan Update

A screenshot of the Visit California website's event page for the Spring Board Meeting 2024. The page has an orange header with navigation links: "PARTNER OPPORTUNITIES", "RESEARCH & TRENDS", "EVENTS" (highlighted), "ABOUT", and "MORE". There is also a "LOGIN" link and a search icon. The main content area features a large image of a harbor with many sailboats, overlaid with the text "SPRING BOARD MEETING" and "NEWPORT BEACH". A "BACK TO EVENTS" button is on the left. Below the image, the event title "Spring Board Meeting 2024" is displayed, followed by "June 2024 | FREE". To the right of the title are icons for a printer, a bookmark, and a share button, along with an orange "REQUEST INFORMATION" button.

Visit California's 2024 Spring Board Meeting will take place June 11.

No RSVP, notice or registration is required to attend this meeting. Members of the public may attend or speak at the meeting without prior notice to the Commission. Signing, registering or completing any RSVP is voluntary and is not a requirement for attendance at any California Travel and Tourism Commission Meeting. All persons may attend the meeting regardless of whether he or she signs in, registers or RSVPs.

Visit CA: Regional Tourism Strategies



Regional Strategic Plan Update

“We had very productive sessions with Visit California and they were highly supportive of putting material together that could be used for the GoBiz CA Jobs First initiative.”

Industry Sector Workshop “Sustainable Recreation & Tourism”



Monday June 17, 2024

Sustainable Recreation & Tourism: A target sector focused on mitigating negative impacts and transforming outcomes for tourism and recreation today by increasing economic mobility, social fairness, and environmental sustainability. The Sierra California Jobs First region welcomes millions of visitors every year to its national and state parks and forests, ski resorts, and historic small towns. The region also holds several artistic, cultural, and sports-related events that, if marketed properly, could bring in additional revenue and job opportunities. Because tourism and recreation are among the top industries in this region, it is important to capitalize on the multi-benefit outcomes surrounding equity and climate resilience, not simply the promotion of tourism.

Workshop Date:	Time:	Co-Conveners:	How to register:
Jun 17, 2024	2-5pm	Lead: Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership (ESSRP) Co-Lead: ESCOG	<i>Information Coming Soon; in the meantime, TBD, please express your interest by emailing jobsfirst@sierrabusiness.org and we will connect you with ESSRP.</i>

Industry Sector Workshop "Sustainable Recreation & Tourism"



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50+ Participants + Meeting Outputs Delivered Same Day



Industry Sector Workshop “Sustainable Recreation & Tourism”

Industry Sector: SUSTAINABLE REC & TOURISM

6/17 ESSRP Meeting

Draft Priority Strategy 1:

Establish collaborative access to recreation and tourism assets on public lands through binding partnership agreements between local authorities and federal, state, and utility land managers to enhance and maintain the region's world class collaborative sustainable recreation economy.

S1 Tactics:

- I. Collaborative Capacity
- II. Collaborative Planning
- III. Collaborative Implementation
- IV. Collaborative Financing

Category	Comments	Voting	Problem Statement	Opportunities	Strategy Feedback	Tactic	Partner	Notes
S1 Comments	Needs to further specify on how to achieve goals.	-						
S1 Comments	We need to be more specific about the types of recreation that will lead to high-quality jobs and long-term careers. This assumes all recreation is created equal.	3						
S1 Comments	We also need to think of creating opportunities beyond traditional service jobs in recreation and tourism.	2						
S1 Comments	Streamline the ability to get things done.	1						
S1 Comments	Can the public land management agencies even sign the contemplated binding agreements? They are unlikely to give up their management responsibilities.	-						
S1 Comments	Federal land management agencies are required to follow their guiding laws regarding what can and cannot be made binding. Congress is the branch of government that can change that.	1						
S1 Comments	Concern about “binding”? Specificity on defining what binding initials. A county might have concern here also.	2						
S1 Comments	I understand the desire to get agencies on the same page but the strategy language is confusing. If that is the goal, state it. We need common understanding and commitment to get it accomplished.	-						
S1 Comments	Once again, the private sector is not mentioned?	1						
S1 Comments	I don't think this strategy is workable for all of the above reasons.	-						
S1 Comments	Establish a timeline and rank collaborative access to recreation and tourism opportunities in terms of ROI. Theoretical examples: (1) hiking, (2) camping, (3) youth programming. Establish such a list and put emphasis on access to the most important in order in conjunction with a timeline.	-						
S1 Comments	Of the five strategies this one is the least realistic in terms of meeting our desired outcomes.	1						
S1 Tactics - IA	Collaboration has to be a force multiplier on a common topic, otherwise you are just adding complexity and confusion.	-						
S1 Tactics - IA	There seem to be many existing types of these arrangements, why not improve those?	-						
S1 Tactics - IIA	A singular regional plan will be difficult. How about focusing on individual plans that can link close together to make a regional strategy. That is more realistic.	-						
S1 Tactics - IIB	Agreements will focus the efforts and prevent people from going in different directions.	-						
S1 Tactics - IIIA	Consider building NEPA/CEQA experts across the region that can move quicker through the environmental review process for project implementation. Also, NEPA/CEQA crosswalk examples exist where state funds are used on federal lands - develop best practices for review.	-						
S1 Tactics - IIIB	At a minimum, integration of “land tenure” elements into an agreement to show funding/financing sources that agency management is a willing partner in the project implementation.	-						
S1 Tactics - IIIC	Create a process to develop land easements with private lands to develop a network of trails that connect parks/cities/communities.	-						
S1 Tactics - IIIC	Good level of specification on this point	-						

Friday June 21, 2024



WHAT TO DO NEXT

Learn more at
sierrajobsfirst.org/get-involved

This Draft Strategy Packet is a crucial step in shaping our region's future—your input is invaluable. Here's how you can make the most of this document:

1. Explore The Strategies

- **Community Members:** How do these plans aim to improve our quality of life?
- **Tribal Representatives:** Are these strategies consistent with tribal plans and goals?
- **Business Owners:** How do the strategies align with business needs and opportunities for growth?
- **Educators and Students:** Do these strategies align with proposals for enhancing education and workforce development?
- **Healthcare Professionals:** Do these strategies improve healthcare services and facilities?
- **Government Officials:** How do these strategies align with state and local policy and goals?
- **Community-based Organizations:** Do these strategies support disadvantaged communities and promoting inclusivity?

2. Provide Your Feedback

Step 1: Review the whole Strategy Packet or sections that interest you.

Step 2: Considerations, as you review the Draft Packet:

- a. Is the information clear?
- b. What would make it stronger?
- c. What is missing?
- d. Are the strategies moving us towards outcomes?
- e. Is there a balance of east and west serving strategies?

Step 3: Include your comments in the [comment form here](#) by July 8, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT OVERVIEW

For the latest updates on the Strategic Plan process, visit sierrajobsfirst.org/strategic-plan

TIMELINE

June 21	Draft Strategy Packet Posted
June 21 - July 8	Public Comment Period 1
July 25	Full Draft Strategic Plan Posted
July 25 - August 7	Public Comment Period 2
August 15	Final Strategic Plan Posted
August 23	Governing Council Vote on Strategic Plan
August 29	Submission to State

SUSTAINABLE RECREATION & TOURISM

TARGET
INDUSTRY 1

SUMMARY DEFINITION

A target sector focused on transforming outcomes for tourism and recreation today by increasing opportunities and amenities to support economic mobility, social fairness, and environmental sustainability to mitigate negative impacts associated with tourism

STRATEGY AREA:

SUSTAINABLE RECREATION & TOURISM

TARGET INDUSTRY 1

OUTCOME STATEMENTS

- Sierra residents have access to high-quality jobs in the Recreation and Tourism sector
- Local, state, and federal, private landowners work together to unlock opportunities in the region.
- Significant public and private investments in the region support new opportunities.
- A climate resilient recreation and tourism economy exists in the region.

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STRATEGY AREA:

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TARGET INDUSTRY 1

DRAFT STRATEGY 2

Promote tourism for the region's recreation economy based on agreed-upon values of partners.

SUGGESTED TACTICS

- **Develop Visitor Management Plans:** Work with regional destination marketing organizations (DMOs) and regional collaborative governance partners to develop visitor management strategies.
- **Establish Regional Branding and Marketing:** Work with regional destination marketing organizations (DMOs) and regional collaborative governance partners to develop and promote regional tourism, including establishing regional branding, tourism itineraries, and destination and event promotion.
- **Coordinate Tourism with Federal, Tribal, State, and Utility Land Managers:** Engage federal, tribal, state, and utility land managers in new partnerships that result in appropriate increases in visitations to attractions on their landscapes.
- **Leverage Land Manager Policies that Encourage Recreation and Tourism:** Leverage the region's current visibility as the state's premier mountain playground to expand experiential and cultural tourism opportunities consistent with current and future land manager policies.
- **Build Regional Lifestyle and Business Brand Identity:** Identify opportunities to expand, attract, and retain recreation and tourism-supporting businesses that align with regional lifestyle/business branding, including gear and clothing manufacturers, outdoor guides, cultural tourism, agricultural businesses, artists, resort operations, gear shops, and high-altitude training centers, in coordination with regional collaborative governance as needed.

POTENTIAL IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS

Public Agencies, Destination Marketing Organizations, Visit California, Local Chambers of Commerce, Tribal Organizations, Small Businesses, Land Owners/Manager

STRATEGY AREA:

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TARGET INDUSTRY 1

DRAFT STRATEGY 3

Diversify and leverage the region's recreation economy with tourism events, amenities, and attractions focused on the unique histories, arts, and cultures of the region's communities and establish new business opportunities in related industries.

SUGGESTED TACTICS

- **Elevate Unique Regional Identity:** Invest in tourism assets and amenities beyond outdoor recreation that increase the overall attractiveness and identity of the region as a destination, especially small businesses, arts/culture institutions and events, and local food systems and agritourism in coordination with regional collaborative governance as needed.
- **Disperse and expand visitation to underutilized areas to discourage over-tourism, and other principals and values to encourage sustainable recreation.**
- **Reinforce Regional Connection through Visitor Infrastructure:** Develop regionally consistent locally branded wayfinding programs to direct visitors to recreation and tourism amenities in coordination with regional collaborative governance as needed.
- **Develop Infrastructure to Support Regional Events:** Invest in traditional recreation infrastructure that supports attraction for regional sporting events and tournaments in coordination with regional collaborative governance as needed. Leverage these events to create year-round, high-quality employment for the tourist industry workers, many of whom have seasonal employment without benefits.

POTENTIAL IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS

Local Arts Organizations, Main Street Programs, Small Businesses, Chambers of Commerce, Agriculture and Food-related Organizations, **Other TBD**

Draft Strategy Packet



Sierra Jobs First Draft Strategy Review Packet

Review Period 1: 6/21-7/8

Thank you for providing feedback on the Sierra Jobs First Draft Strategy Packet, which contains all draft strategies that will be included in the final Sierra Jobs First Strategic Plan.

- Click [here](#) to view the Sierra Jobs First Draft Strategy Packet
- Click [here](#) for information on the [Strategic Plan](#) (why it's important and its production schedule)
- For information about where we are in the process, please see page 6 of the Draft Strategy Review Packet.

Your feedback is important and will help refine strategies so they can best serve you and your community. We'll review all responses on July 8 and incorporate as appropriate in the full strategic plan draft, which will be shared on July 25, 2024.

The following question will allow you to choose to skip ahead through this survey and select the specific strategies you would like to provide feedback on. Please note: you can take this survey and provide additional feedback as many times as you would like until July 8 (end of Public Review Period 1).

Please select the Strategy Area(s) you would like to provide feedback on:

- ☐ I am interested in providing feedback on ALL 11 Strategy Areas.
- ☐ I am interested in providing general feedback that isn't specific to any of the 11 Strategy Areas.
- ☐ Foundational Element 1: Workforce Development & Education (Page # 23-27)
- ☐ Foundational Element 2: Small Business & Entrepreneurship (Page # 28-33)
- ☐ Foundational Element 3: Physical Infrastructure (Page # 34-38)
- ☐ Foundational Element 4: Land Use & Tenure (Page # 39-44)
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- ☐ Sector 4: Agriculture, Farming, and Food (Page #78-84)
- ☐ Sector 5: Healthcare Services & Facilities (Page #85-89)

PUBLIC COMMENT OVERVIEW

For the latest updates on
the Strategic Plan process, visit
sierrajobsfirst.org/strategic-plan

TIMELINE

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Governing Council Meeting: June 28, Mammoth Lakes



Sierra Region

Sierra Jobs First

Governing Council Meeting

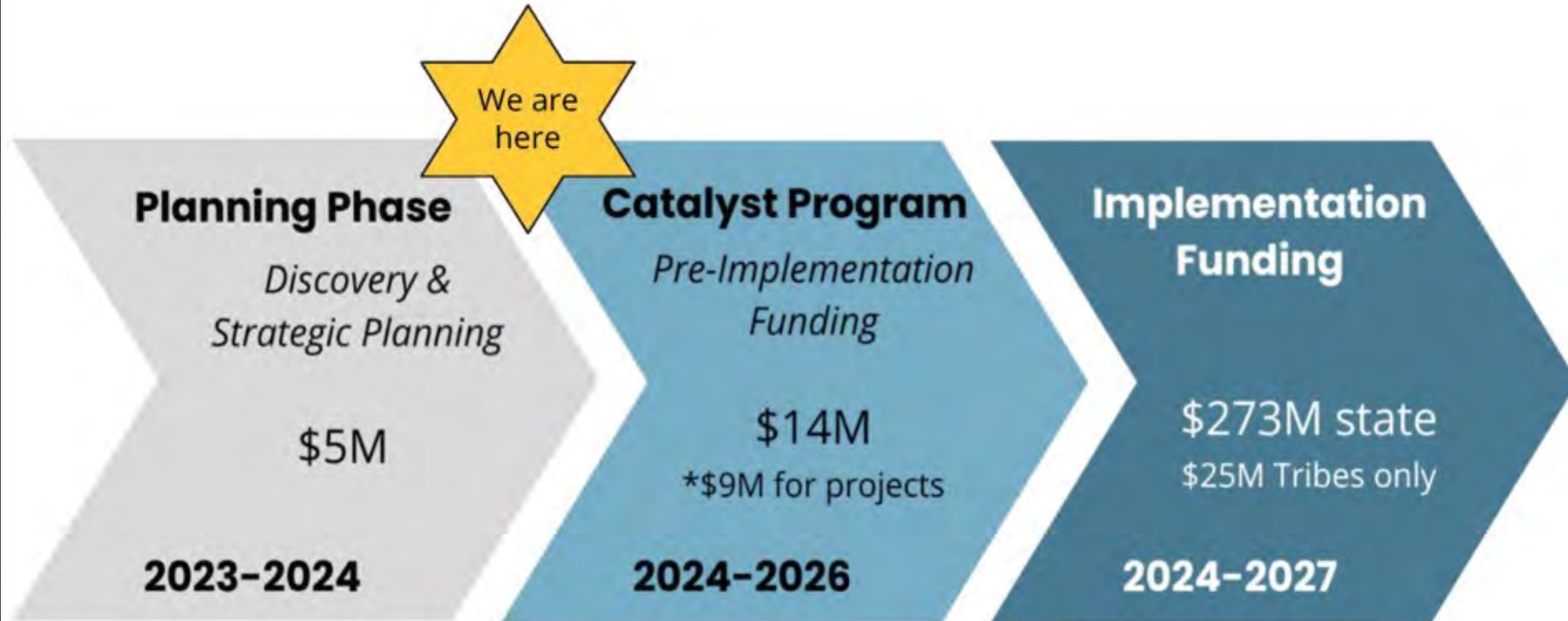
Mammoth Lakes, CA

June 28, 2024



Sierra Jobs First General Updates

Sierra Jobs First Phases



Subject to Change

Reminder: PLANNING PHASE

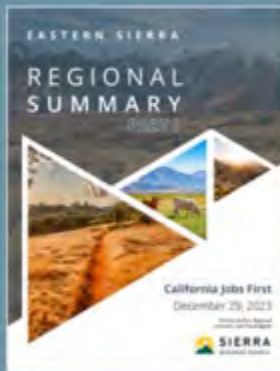
Part 1: Discovery

Understanding
Current Conditions
in the Sierra Region

July-December 2023

**REGIONAL SUMMARY:
PART 1**
(DATA, FEEDBACK AND
FINDINGS)

PROJECT ID TRACKER



Part 2: Define Priorities (Strategic Planning)

Collaborative
Defines
Framework and
Priorities

January-April 2024

**SHARE FINDINGS &
BUILD STRATEGIC
PLAN FRAMEWORK**

- *Vision from clearly defined SWOT*
- *Goals*
- *Strategies*
- *Actions / Projects*

Align with State Criteria

Community
Engagement:
Co-create Goals,
Strategies, Actions &
Project Ideas

May-August 2024

Draft Plan with:

- Council
- Subcommittees
- Tribal Subcommittee
- County Co-horts
- Industry Specific Working Groups
- CBOs
- Communities

Finalize and
Adopt Regional
Strategic Plan

July-August 2024

Public review and
plan finalization

Council is final
decision-making body
and votes to move
final draft to state.

Calendar Updates--changes

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Strategic Planning Updates

Where we are today



Full Draft Strategic Plan

1. Overview
2. Community input
3. Strategies
 - a. Problems
 - b. Data
 - c. Opportunities
4. Collaborative Future

- Comments due July 8: Chapter 3
- 4 weeks of public comment between two documents

- July 25th Release
- Will not be 25 pages
- Audience focus

Strategic Plan Breakout Discussions

If you had 1 hour in a room with the Governor, what are the top 5 priorities you would want to bring to his attention for the region that would unlock economic prosperity for the region?

Report Out--Broad Themes

All strategies need to show interconnected relationship--pointing towards key priorities

- CONNECTIONS between these strategy areas needs to be stressed, many areas of synergy/overlap
- Missing - how to get various partners working together

Advocating as a region, formalizing regional advocacy

- Smaller communities more powerful, same power as major metro area

Workforce is critical in all strategy areas - we need to upskill across all sectors and strategy areas.

Region provides **ecosystem services** to downstream users and the entire state that are not valued and cut across multiple sectors.

Move all season jobs to year-round jobs

- Dependent on relationship with surrounding forest lands, need forest stewardship workforce under nat & working lands
- Overlap between clean energy, rec, and nat& working lands
- Investing in Financial tools to support housing development

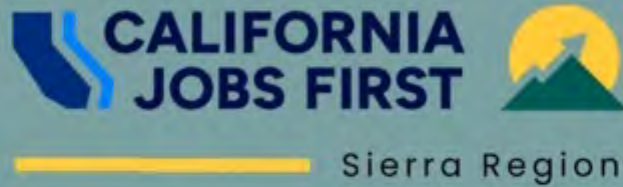
Key Dates for Strategic Planning

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Please Submit Comments By July 8th





What's Next

- 1) Catalyst Process
- 2) Future of the Collaborative

Next Steps – Catalyst Process:

→ **1.5m Industry Coordinator Bucket:**

- ◆ July 15 – August 15: RFP OPEN
- ◆ August 15 – 30: SBC Review
- ◆ **Contracts begin 9/1**

tasked with promoting system change and alignment activities. These funds will support no more than five positions or sub-contracts, either as new staff at the Conveners or at another identified organization in the region."

- Work within the HRTC on industries prioritized in the Planning Phase
- Support the HRTC in cataloguing projects that will support the proliferation of the prioritized industries and enhance high-quality job creation; label these projects as "exploratory" (agreed-upon ideas that are at the very initial phases) and "last-mile" (agreed-upon projects that need the final piece of the puzzle to begin development), or identify projects as non-viable;
- Work with GO-Biz staff and regional partners to find and apply for state, federal, and private grants;
- Align HRTC-identified projects with federal funding;
- Liaise with workforce and economic development partners, High Road Training Partnerships, community-based organizations, and others capable of contributing to the success of the project to build an ecosystem around identified industries or sectors
- Provide or procure Technical Assistance for Implementation grant applications and administration

**Sectors targeted by Sector Investment Coordinators do not need to be established before the end of the Planning Phase*

Next Steps –:

→ **9m Project Bucket (Exploratory or Last Mile):**

- ◆ July 8-12:
- ◆ July 12: Release Draft RFP Packet
- ◆ August 12-15: Technical Assistance Workshops
 - WS – HOLD, in-person
 - Natural Working Lands
 - Clean Energy
 - Community Health
 - ES – HOLD, in-person
 - Sustainable Recreation & Tourism
 - Sustainable Agriculture & Ranching
- ◆ **RFP – Opens 9/1 & Closes 10/31**

◆ November Review / PI Subcommittee

◆ November 22: In-person Council Meeting & Pitch Session

◆ December 6: Virtual Vote Council Meeting

What's Next

The Recreation Context – Hot Links

- Outdoor Recreation Satellite Account, U.S. and States, 2022
- OOR: June 4 Report Release on the Future of Outdoor Recreation Funding
- Headwaters Economics
 - Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire (CPAW)
 - Outdoor Recreation
 - The Outdoor Recreation Economy by State
 - Nearly 200 studies show economic & health benefits of trails

California Jobs First: State Launches First-of-its-Kind Council to Create Thousands of More Jobs Across All Regions

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW: Governor Newsom today announced the creation of a new state council focused on creating jobs and the awarding of \$182 million in grants to jumpstart the Governor's Regional Investment Initiative to accelerate economic and workforce projects throughout the state.

SACRAMENTO – Governor Gavin Newsom today announced the creation of the California Jobs First Council and operational plan focused on streamlining the state's economic and workforce development programs to create more jobs, faster. The Council and operational plan will guide the state's investments in economic and workforce development to create more family-supporting jobs and prioritize industry sectors for future growth.

WHAT GOVERNOR NEWSOM SAID: "California has created more opportunities, more jobs, and more businesses than any other state, but we need to ensure that we're all moving forward together. Through this new council and these investments, we're aligning all of our economic resources to create more jobs, faster for Californians in every community."

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STATEWIDE ALIGNMENT ON TRAINING CALIFORNIANS FOR FAMILY-SUSTAINING JOBS

Co-chaired by Dee Dee Myers, Senior Advisor to Governor Newsom and Director of the Governor's Office of Business & Economic Development, and Stewart Knox, Secretary of Labor & Workforce Development, the California Jobs First Council will bring together various state entities, including:

- **Director of the Governor's Office of Planning & Research:** promoting alignment with General Plan guidelines and land use policies
- **Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency:** representing nature-based solutions and clean energy industries
- **Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture:** representing the agriculture industry
- **Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency:** representing the circular economy
- **Secretary of the California Health & Human Services Agency:** representing the healthcare industry and promoting jobs for disabled and disadvantaged workers
- **Secretary of the California Department of Veterans Affairs:** representing the more than 1.6 million former service members that reside in the state
- **President of the Public Utilities Commission:** representing opportunities to advance California's clean energy workforce of the future and economic opportunities for communities



Jun 29, 2024

Governor Newsom signs 2024 state budget supporting fiscal stability and core programs

What you need to know: The Governor signed legislation reflecting the final budget agreement with the Legislature, delivering a budget that is balanced over the next two fiscal years while maintaining investments in core programs. Historic reserves and responsible budgeting in recent years enable the state to maintain fiscal stability amid fluctuation in revenues.

SACRAMENTO – Governor Gavin Newsom today signed 2024 state budget legislation that brings stability to state finances while preserving key investments in safety net programs, education, addressing homelessness, mental health care reform, and more.

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Will last-minute bond issues make California ballot?



BY LYNN LA
JUNE 25, 2024



A voter fills out their ballot at a voting site at the Hamilton School gymnasium in central Fresno on June 7, 2022. Photo by Larry Valenzuela,



The Committee for Clean Water, Natural Resources, & Parks

For Immediate Release

June 30, 2024

Contact: Daryl Rowland; Daryl@caleec.com; 310.625.9731

Lawmakers Release Climate Bond to Move California Toward Climate Resilience Despite State Budget Shortfall

SACRAMENTO, CA – Last night California lawmakers released a climate bond that would provide funding for a wide-range of climate resilience efforts across the state.

The Committee for Clean Water, Natural Resources, & Parks (CWNRP), along with environmental advocates across California, celebrate this significant milestone as the California Legislature has taken the next step towards putting a climate bond measure in front of California voters. Next, the Legislature must pass the bond in both houses with a two-thirds vote and the Governor must approve the measure by July 3 to be placed on the November 2024 ballot.

This achievement comes after over a year and a half of diligent effort and collaboration spearheaded by a number of climate leaders, including Senator Ben Allen, Senate President pro Tem Mike McGuire, Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia, and Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas. Over the last several months, they and their colleagues worked to form consensus and make critical decisions about what could be included in the final \$10 billion bond proposal.

"This is a critical step for the CWNRP Coalition and for all Californians who want clean water, clean air, protection from wildfires and flooding and the preservation of our natural resources," said Sam Hodder, President and CEO of Save the Redwoods League and Co-President of the CWNRP Coalition.

**Our health is undeniably
tied to the health of our
environment.**

Safe drinking water, wildlife, wildfire resilience,
and clean air must be in a #2024ClimateBond



California Updates

July 1, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor, State of California
1021 O St., Room 9000
Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Mike McGuire
Senate President pro Tempore
1021 O St., Room 8518
Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
1021 O St., Room 8330
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for SB 867 (Allen): Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024.

Dear Governor Newsom, President pro Tempore McGuire, and Speaker Rivas:

We the undersigned write to share our excitement and **strong support for SB 867 (Allen), the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024**. The Legislature's \$10 billion general obligation bond proposal will make great strides to address the severe impacts of climate change and prepare our communities to become more resilient. It is critical now more than ever for California to make substantial investments in measures to protect our vulnerable communities, air quality and natural resources.

The organizations below represent a broad and diverse group of community interests from across the state in agreement that public investments are needed now to prepare California for the impacts of extreme weather. To successfully achieve California's 2045 carbon neutrality goal in an equitable manner, the state must rapidly invest to deploy climate mitigation measures and strengthen its resiliency. In doing so, we must protect the State's natural resources and vulnerable communities who have historically been excluded from state investments and are bearing the brunt of climate change impacts.

Recent polling indicates more than 57% of California voters support investments in clean drinking water, protection of rivers, lakes and streams, wildfire prevention and

wildlife protection, and clean air improvements. SB 867 reflects these priorities and also includes critical investments in green workforce development for young people, expanded outdoor access to parks and open space, natural resource protection, coastal resilience, direct investments in community resilience, preparing our grid for more renewable energy resources, and mitigating the effects of extreme weather.

The bond further allocates a minimum of 40 percent of funds towards disadvantaged and low-income communities, and at least 10 percent for communities with a median household income of less than 60 percent of the poverty line or less. In particular, the bond provides funding for investments in Transformative Climate Communities, Urban Greening, and zero-emission vanpools for farm workers which will advance our climate goals in the most burdened communities.

We are grateful for your partnership and leadership thus far. **We urge you to pass and sign the climate bond by the July 3 deadline to provide Californians with the opportunity to vote to reduce the severe impacts of drought, wildfire, air pollution, and extreme weather events.**

Sincerely,

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San Francisco Chronicle

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California heat wave could be the start of a brutal month

By **Greg Porter**, Senior Newsroom Meteorologist
June 30, 2024

Gift Article

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Temperature outlook: Next 30 days

Below Average

Above Average



Above-average temperatures are favored for the most of the interior parts of California, with near-average temperatures expected along the coast thanks to a strong marine influence.

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LOCAL

PG&E says power shutoffs could come to 8 Northern California counties due to fire danger

BY DANIEL HUNT
UPDATED JUNE 30, 2024 4:08 PM



PG&E power shutoff resource center, Placerville

A Placerville resident talks about using the PG&E community resource center in the heat at the El Dorado Fairgrounds during a Public Safety Power Shutoff on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020. The centers moved outdoors because of the COVID-19 pandemic. BY DANIEL KIM

Ahead of a weeklong heat wave that will bake Sacramento and most of Northern California in sweltering temperatures, Pacific Gas and Electric Co. is warning that critical fire danger may lead to the first public safety power shutoffs of the year in several areas to prevent the utility's equipment from sparking wildfires.

On Sunday, officials of the Oakland-based company said its meteorologists were forecasting an "elevated" risk for shutoffs in parts of eight Northern California counties: Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Napa, Shasta, Solano, Tehama and Yolo. The power shutoffs are the first wildfire-safety blackouts undertaken this year by PG&E, which

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Hurricane Beryl has strengthened into an 'extremely dangerous' Category 4 storm

UPDATED JUNE 30, 2024 - 12:33 PM ET

By Mansee Khurana, Joe Hernandez, Russell Lewis



Hurricane Beryl	Current information: x	Forecast positions:
Sunday June 30, 2024	Center location 10.7 N 54.9 W	● Tropical Cyclone ○ Post-Potential TC
11 AM AST Advisory 8	Maximum sustained wind 120 mph	Sustained winds: □ < 39 mph
NWS National Hurricane Center	Movement W at 21 mph	S 39-73 mph H 74-110 mph M > 110 mph

Potential track area:

Watches:

Warnings:

Current wind field estimate:

Beryl strengthened into a hurricane on Saturday.

National Hurricane Center

Hurricane Beryl grew into an "extremely dangerous category 4 hurricane" on Sunday, the National Hurricane Center said, making it the first ever Atlantic hurricane to reach category 4 strength in June.

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WILDFIRE & FOREST RESILIENCE
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THE FRONT LINES OF LANDSCAPE HEALTH
In a response commensurate to the challenge, Governor Gavin Newsom created the California Wildfire & Forest Resilience Task Force, bringing together an unprecedented coalition of the best available resources for preventing catastrophic wildfires by creating healthier, more sustainable natural environments. The Governor's Task Force is a proactive effort that is already showing progress towards long term forest health and safe, sustainable coexistence with fire.
[LEARN MORE](#)

THE LATEST
SEE WHERE TANGIBLE, ON THE GROUND PROGRESS IS BEING MADE NOW

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GOAL 2
Lake County Leverages Federal Support for Local Action
This project effectively leverages federal funding to protect high fire...

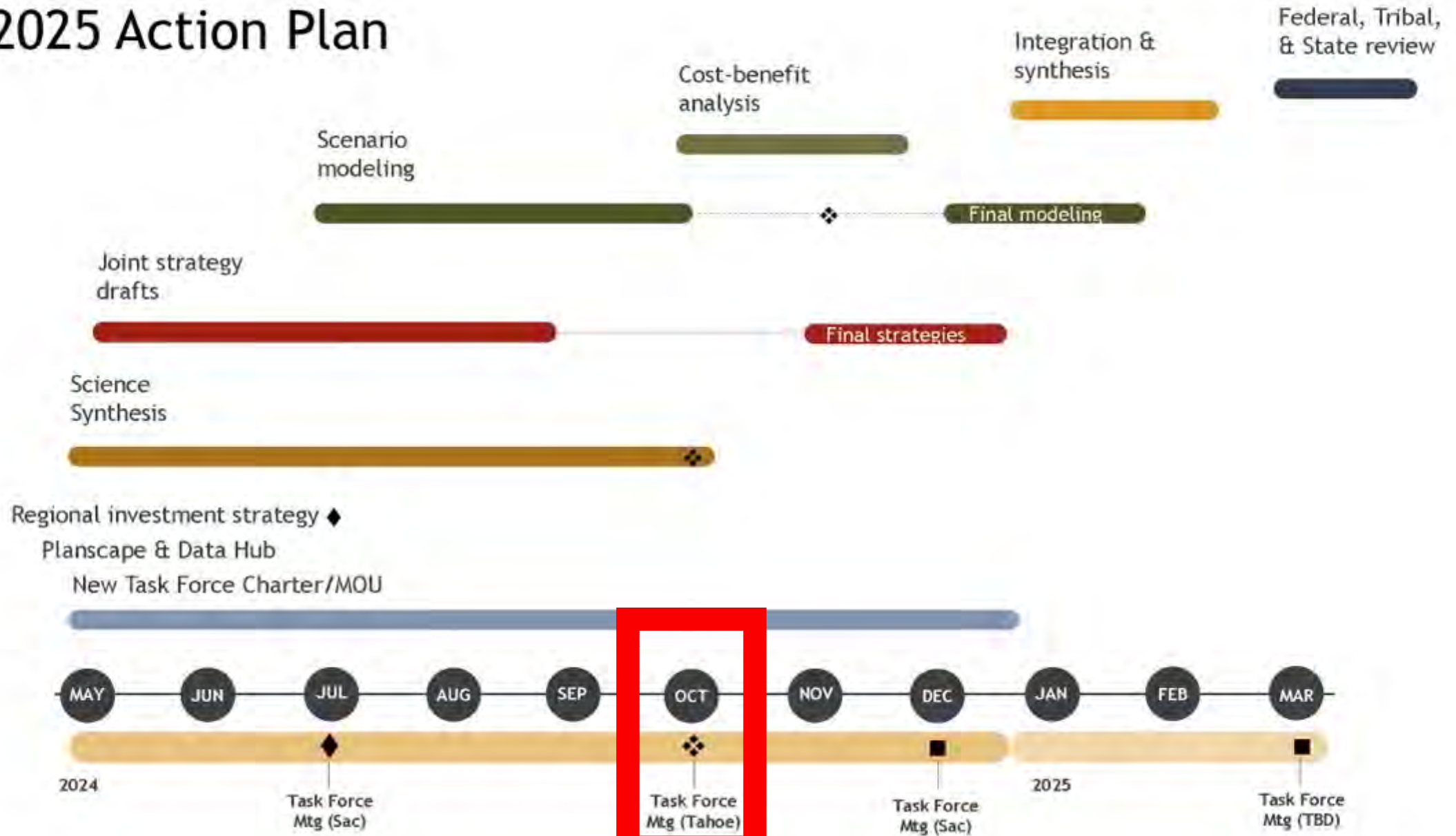

GOAL 1, GOAL 3
Major Investments from USFS and CAL FIRE Reduce Wildfire Risk and Spur Wood Innovations
Investments will provide crucial funding for projects that promote California's wildfire resilience and climate-forward...


GOAL 2
California Leads Nation with 800th Firewise USA Community
This 800th designation demonstrates the pace

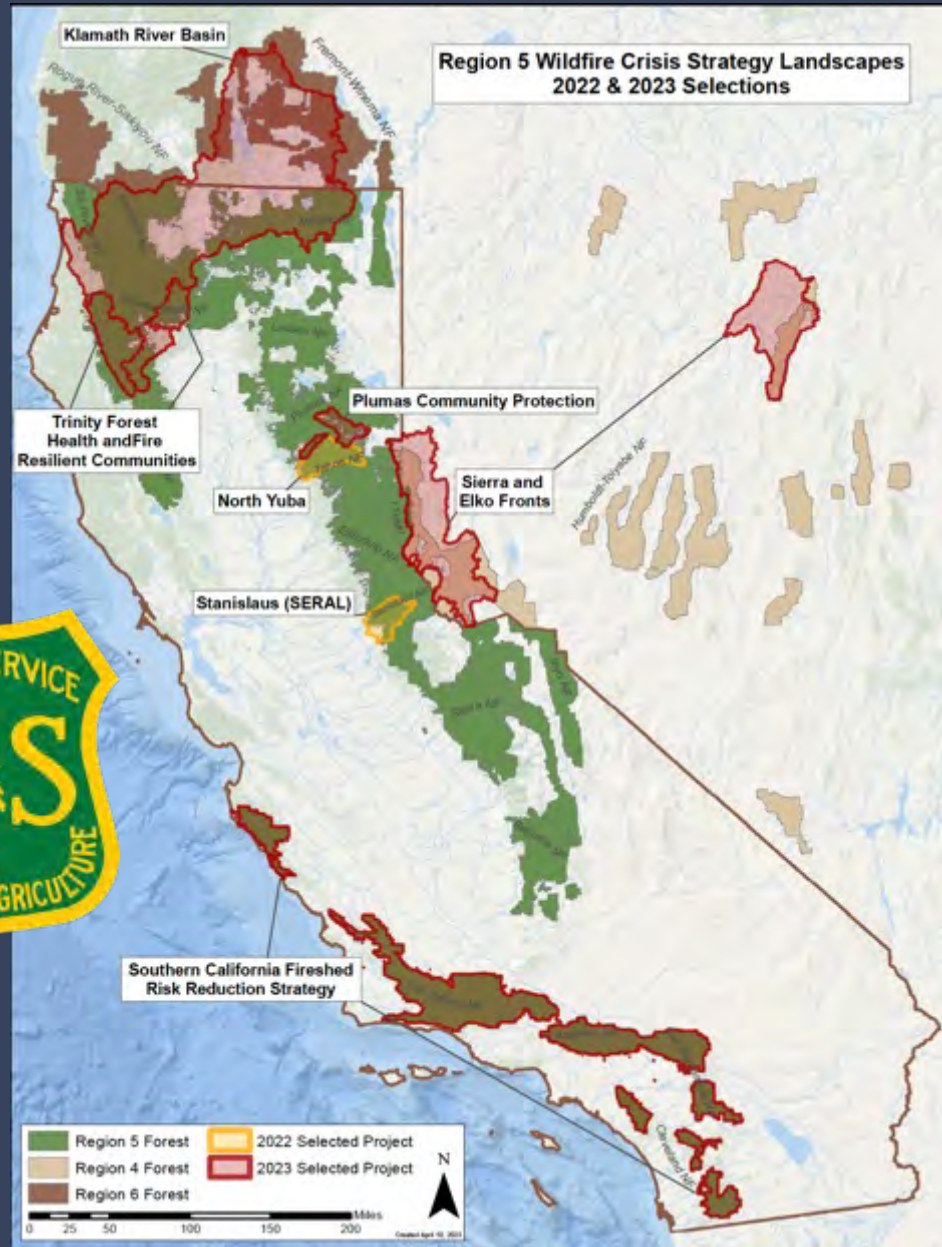

GOAL 1
New Pocket Guide Empowers Communities to Collect Seeds and Support Reforestation
The 'California Cone Hunter's Pocket Guide' serves as an in-the-field...


GOAL 2
New Online Resources Now

2025 Action Plan

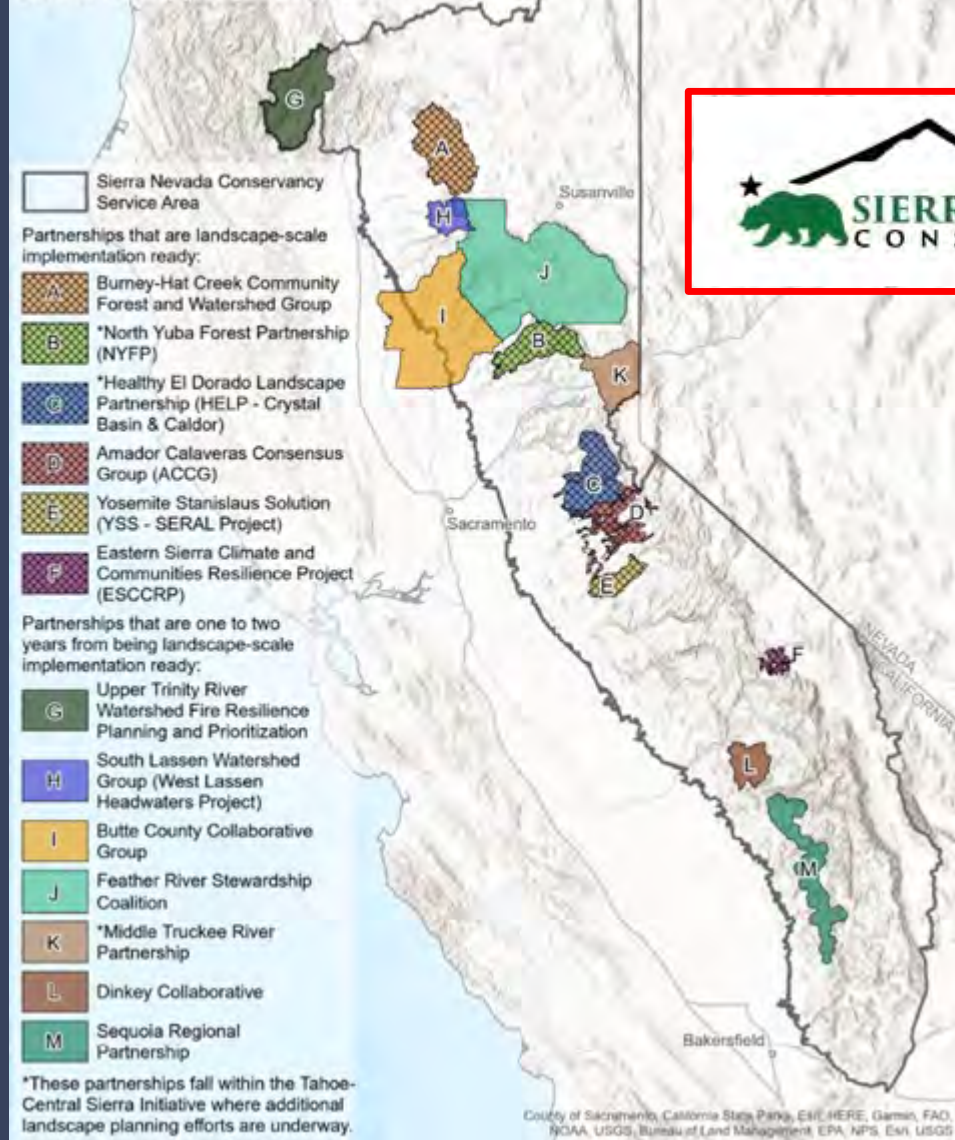


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Near-Term Landscape-Scale Investment Opportunities

As of March 2023 | *For Internal Discussion Only*



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US & WORLD // CALIFORNIA

How State Farm's financial peril could upend the entire California insurance market

By Megan Fan Munce, Reporter

June 28, 2024

Gift Article





State Farm's financial difficulties are prompting alarm from regulators and the prospect of further rate hikes for policyholders.

Federal Updates

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Reimagine Recreation



What is Reimagine Recreation?

Reimagine Recreation is a strategic planning effort charting the path for the future of recreation on lands managed by the USDA Forest Service while addressing challenges and meeting emerging opportunities.

This effort:

- 'Reimagines' recreation in a collaborative manner by harnessing the knowledge, perspectives, creativity, and ingenuity of employees, Tribes, partners, and other stakeholders.
- Builds upon the aspirations of the [Framework for Sustainable Recreation](#) (PDF, 131 KB).
- Establishes national-level priorities for the Forest Service Recreation Program.
- Creates foundational strategic elements (a Vision, Key Shifts, and Goals) to guide our work.
- Kick-starts a multi-year strategic action plan that works to provide the necessary conditions to achieve stated priorities.

The Reimagine Recreation strategic action plan will be primarily carried out at the national level to make way for benefits and efficiencies at the regional and local levels.

Federal Updates



French, Laura - FS, DC

UPDATE - Reimagine Recreation Action Plan

To: Erik Murdock, edc@americanantelope.org, adca@cayman.org, lfarmer@usaceconservation.org & 197 more

Update GO Ljwshfamllpaw.org June 11, 2024 at 8:11 AM

[Details](#)

Hello Valued Partners,

Happy [Great Outdoors Month](#)! I wanted to provide you an update on the status of the Reimagine Recreation Action Plan and Action Tracker documents. For those of you who attended the National Outdoor Recreation Conference (NORC) in South Lake Tahoe last month, we spent parts of the week introducing the components and structure of the two documents and familiarizing folks with the three key shifts – **Empowered Workforce**, **Intentional Engagement**, and **Planning for All**.

Our intention was to debut both of those documents formally this month; however, based on conversations at NORC and upon further reflection, we've decided to pursue an additional Tribal review of these documents in coordination with the Office of Tribal Relations. The documents are now anticipated to be rolled out Fall 2024 following this 60-day Tribal review.

The important work we all are doing continues this summer as we anticipate millions of people will travel to and recreate across national forests and grasslands over the next several months. Here are a few talking points to effectively communicate this timetable shift with your respective staffs:

- We anticipate the Tribal review will serve to improve and strengthen our documents and make for better outcomes overall.
- Got one of the hard copies at NORC? Great! All the fundamentals shown in each document are still accurate and reflective of our agency's pursuit of reimagining recreation for this and future generations.
- Forest Service employees are being notified simultaneously of this timetable shift.
- We plan to debut both documents in PDF format this Fall. Stay tuned!
- Following the Action Plan debut, our team plans to host virtual sessions with you to capture impressions, address questions, and lean into future planning. More to follow.

Thank you for all that you do and your continued interest and support of Reimagining Recreation!

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Caring for the land and serving people

What the Supreme Court Chevron decision means for environmental rules

The decision could make it easier for courts to block ambitious climate and wildlife regulations.



By [Maxine Joselow](#)

June 28, 2024 at 11:02 a.m. EDT



The Chevron Richmond Refinery is seen from Point Richmond, Calif., on Oct. 24, 2023. (Eric Risberg/AP)

The Supreme Court Overturns Chevron Doctrine, Gutting Federal Environmental Protections

Scrapping the legal precedent could send a "convulsive shock" to decades of federal environmental, financial, and healthcare regulations

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California Climate
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3-Year Horizon*

**\$41.9
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Infrastructure
Investment and Jobs Act
2026 Horizon*

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Billion***

Inflation Reduction
Act
2026 Horizon*

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Billion***

Chips & Science Act
2026 Horizon*



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According to a POLITICO analysis of public data, only a small portion of that money has been spent.

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Now Biden faces a rematch with former President Donald Trump, who could throttle what he calls Biden's “**Green New Scam.**” With less than six months to go, Biden is trying to make progress before time runs out.

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SUSTAINABLE RECREATION AND ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



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- Towns to Trails: Public Meeting Updates + Next Steps
 - *Tim Bevins, Alta Planning*
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 - \$7m grant award / California Forests and Watersheds Program
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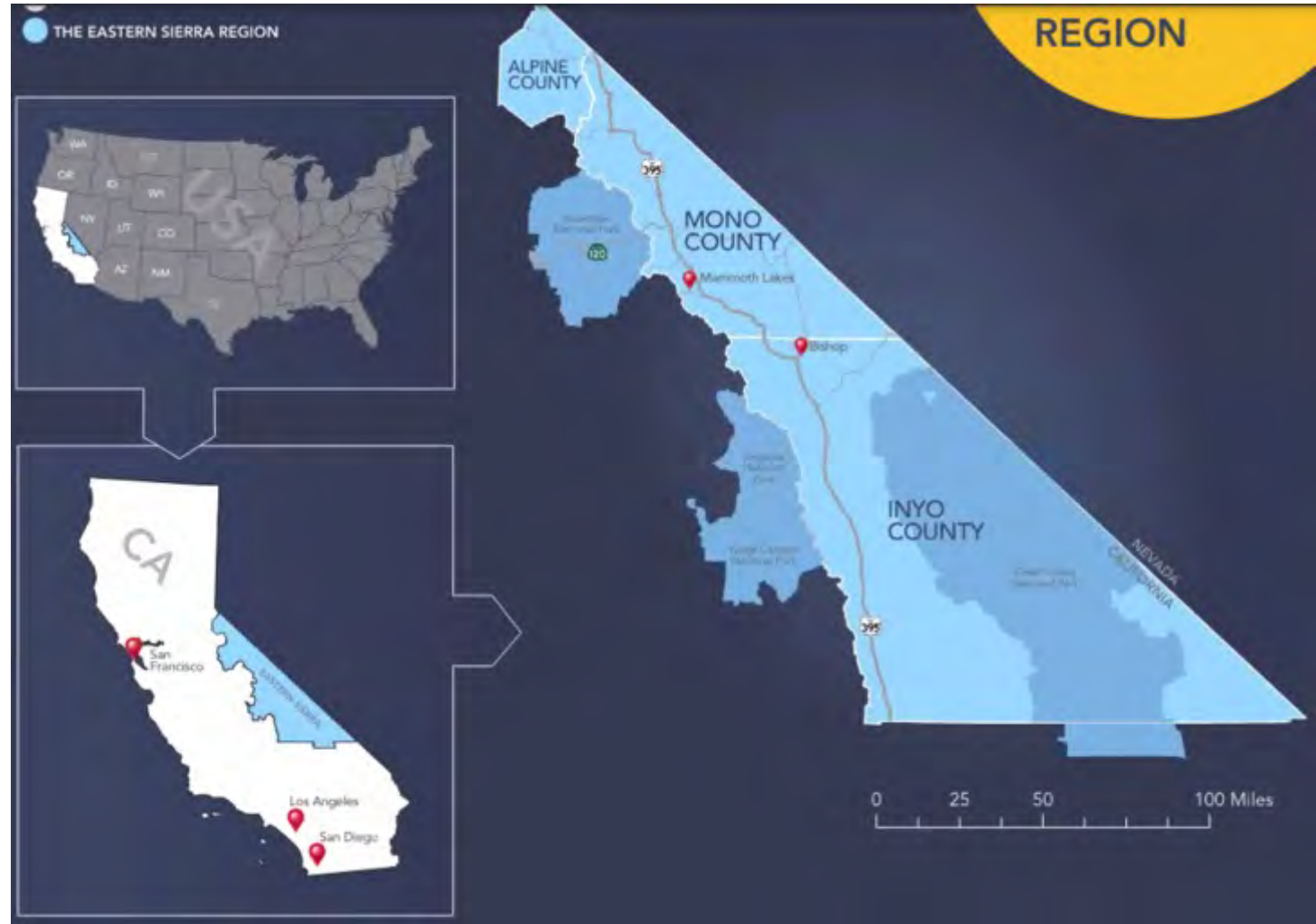
Alpine County, Mono County, Inyo County

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Vision

The Eastern Sierra Towns to Trails Plan will **identify a backbone trail, following existing infrastructure and uses, that will connect Eastern Sierra communities, public lands, and destinations south and north.**

The project parallels the Eastern Sierra escarpment (west of Highway 395), from northern Alpine County, through Mono County, and on into southern Inyo County, over approximately 200 miles.



Goals

- Connect Eastern Sierra communities through a public-lands experience
- Leverage existing regional partnerships
- Establish implementation roadmap
- Bring economic benefit to communities
- Enhance recreational opportunities
- Commit to sustainable recreation
- Identify gaps and opportunities for connectivity to existing and future networks
- Identify segments for short-term implementation

Key Considerations

- The primary focus of Towns to Trails is to utilize existing infrastructure
- Any “new build” will be to close any identified gaps that will be determined by agencies and stakeholders
- Towns to Trails is not an effort to establish hundreds of miles of new trails; this is about taking full advantage of the existing trails and soft surface road network to address connectivity issues
- Should gaps in the existing network arise and be identified, then the issue of new construction may be explored, but only after the existing legal networks have been fully reviewed and exhausted in close coordination with agencies and landholders
- *There may be locations that will take further investigation to determine if increasing or focusing recreation in these locations would be appropriate/sustainable.*
- *Segments may include highway use or some sections may not be feasible due to these resources.*

Collaborative Planning Process

- Agency and Tribal Partners Kickoff
- Regional Stakeholders Kickoff
- Data Review and Draft Alignment Review
- Alpine, Mono, and Inyo County Stakeholders Workshops, Round 1
- Comment Processing and Alignment Refinement
- Alpine, Mono, and Inyo County Stakeholders Workshops, Round 2
- All Partner and Stakeholders Wrap Up
- Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership (ongoing)

Alignment Approach

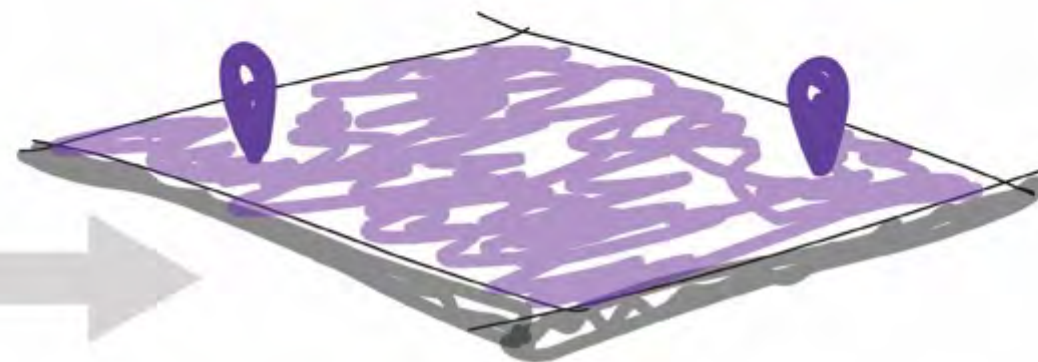
- Utilize existing facilities as much as possible
- Maintain existing usage between two points
- Minimize impacts of any potential new routes
- Connect to challenge spurs, destinations, and regional networks
- Establish T2T Backbone Alignment and identify gaps, opportunities, and challenges
- *There may be locations that will take further investigation to determine if increasing or focusing recreation in these locations would be appropriate/sustainable.*
- *Segments may include highway use or some sections may not be feasible due to these resources.*

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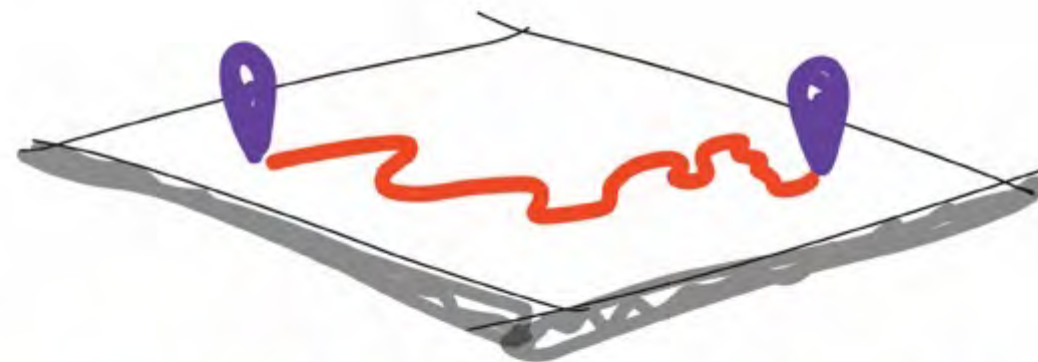


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COST SURFACE



GIS processes a least cost path between a start point and end point



LEAST COST PATH

Straw Alignment Themes



User Focused - Places a high priority on connections to recreation sites and provides major separation from existing highways where possible. This alignment places less emphasis on following the existing network and staying out of USFS Wilderness and protected Sage Grouse habitat.



Quick & Direct - Largely prioritizes routes that follow the existing network and avoids steep slopes.



Treads Lightly - This alignment is similar in weighting to the User Focused alignment but deprioritizes following the existing network and connecting to recreation sites in order to give more priority to routes that stay out of USFS Wilderness and protected Sage Grouse habitat.



Quick & Light - This alignment has a high priority for routes that follow the existing network, maintain fewer steep slopes, and avoids USFS Wilderness and protected Sage Grouse habitat where possible.

Collaborative Planning Workshops

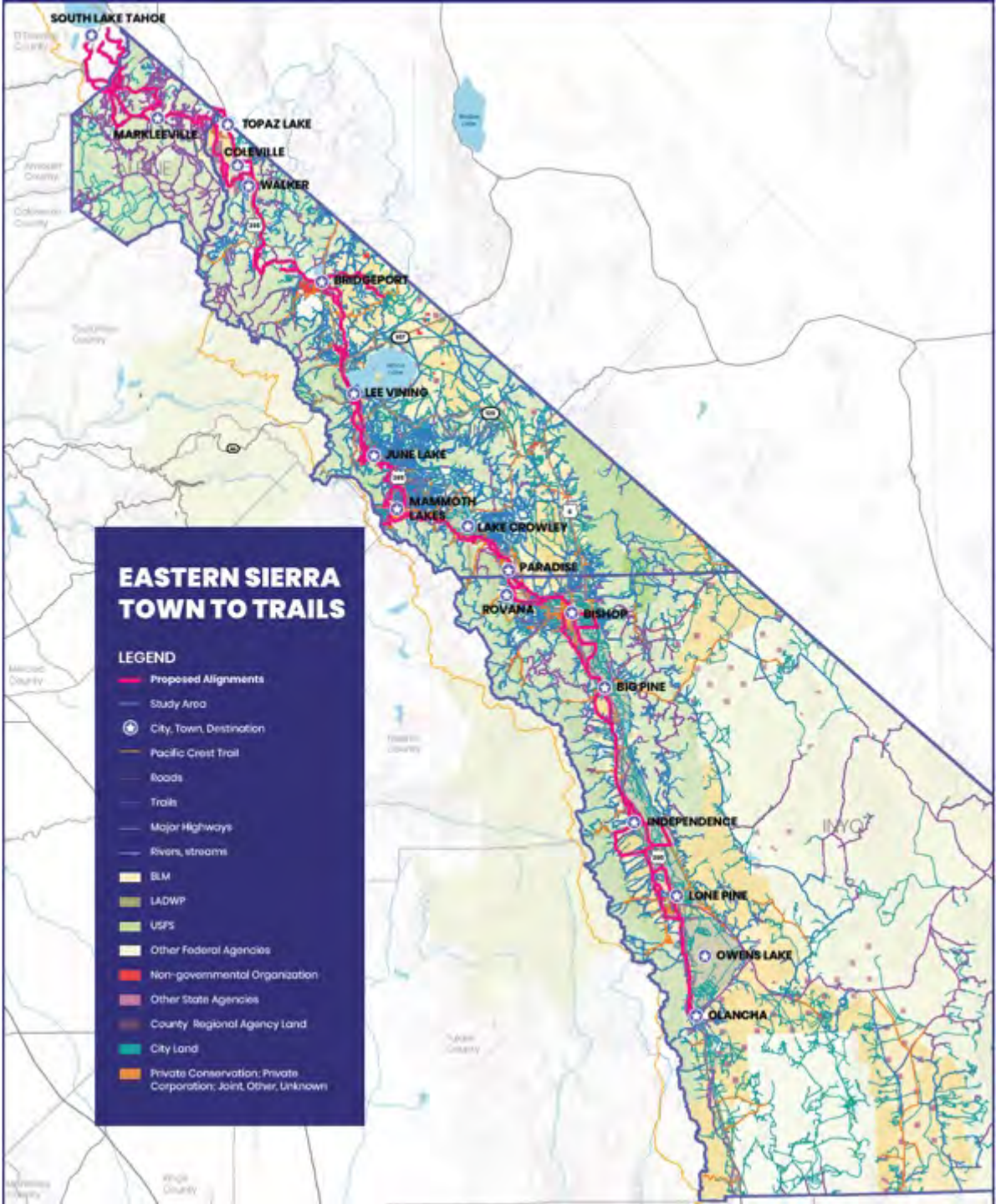


Comment Digitization

- 417 point comments and 175 drawn in lines
- Digitized and classified by theme, use, landscape challenges, and general sentiment
- Agency review and input
- Local expert review, input, and data



Backbone Alignment



Lone Pine to Independence

Total Comments Received: 18

Stakeholder Comment Summary: Comments were mostly related to potential use of aqueduct, opportunity for rails to trails, and whether trail would go through private land. Comments also described the opportunity to connect to and tell the story of the area including the Manzanar Historic Site.

Existing Trails to Connect to: N/A

Existing Sites/Locations to Connect to: Alabama Hills Recreation Area. Manzanar Historic Site

Lone Pine to Independence Alignment Notes

- Continuing from Intersection of Whitney Portal Rd and Lone Pine Ave, continues south on Lone Pine Ave and heads east on Post Street to Lake View Ave. It could also go on other streets to get to the NE corner of town. Public feedback will help determine the best route through town.
- The route then continues on N Lake View Ave to East Locust Street. This route through town was chosen as to go along as much public owned laned in and on outskirts of town.
- From the NE corner of town the route goes along an existing unmarked road to the north of the outlet of the Owens River for approximately 0.5 miles before turning north along the transmission road to meet Lone Pine Narrow Gauge Rd 0.96 miles east of Highway 395.
- The alignment continues east on Lone Pine Narrow Gauge Rd to the Rail-to-Trail (RTT) just east of Owenyo Lone Pine Rd.
- The alignment continues on the RTT eventually ending at Poleta Rd in Bishop with other spurs branching to connect to destinations along the highway corridor.
- The first spur is on Manzanar Reward Rd to Manzanar National Historic Site.
- From Manzanar Reward Rd there is a potential to connect to Independence and Fort Independence along the east Aqueduct road outside the fence.
- This Aqueduct road is apx 4.4 miles from Manzanar Reward Rd to Mazourka Canyon Rd.
- There is at least one spot that might require stream crossing improvements such as the one 0.4 miles from Manzanar Reward Rd north of the old Manzanar airfield. If not able to cross the route would require detour to highway 395 for a short amount before going back to the Aqueduct road. This detour would add apx 1.4 miles to the route.
- From here the route has a spur to Independence to the west and a connection to the RTT on Mazourka Canyon Rd.



June Lake to Lee Vining

Total Comments Received: 43

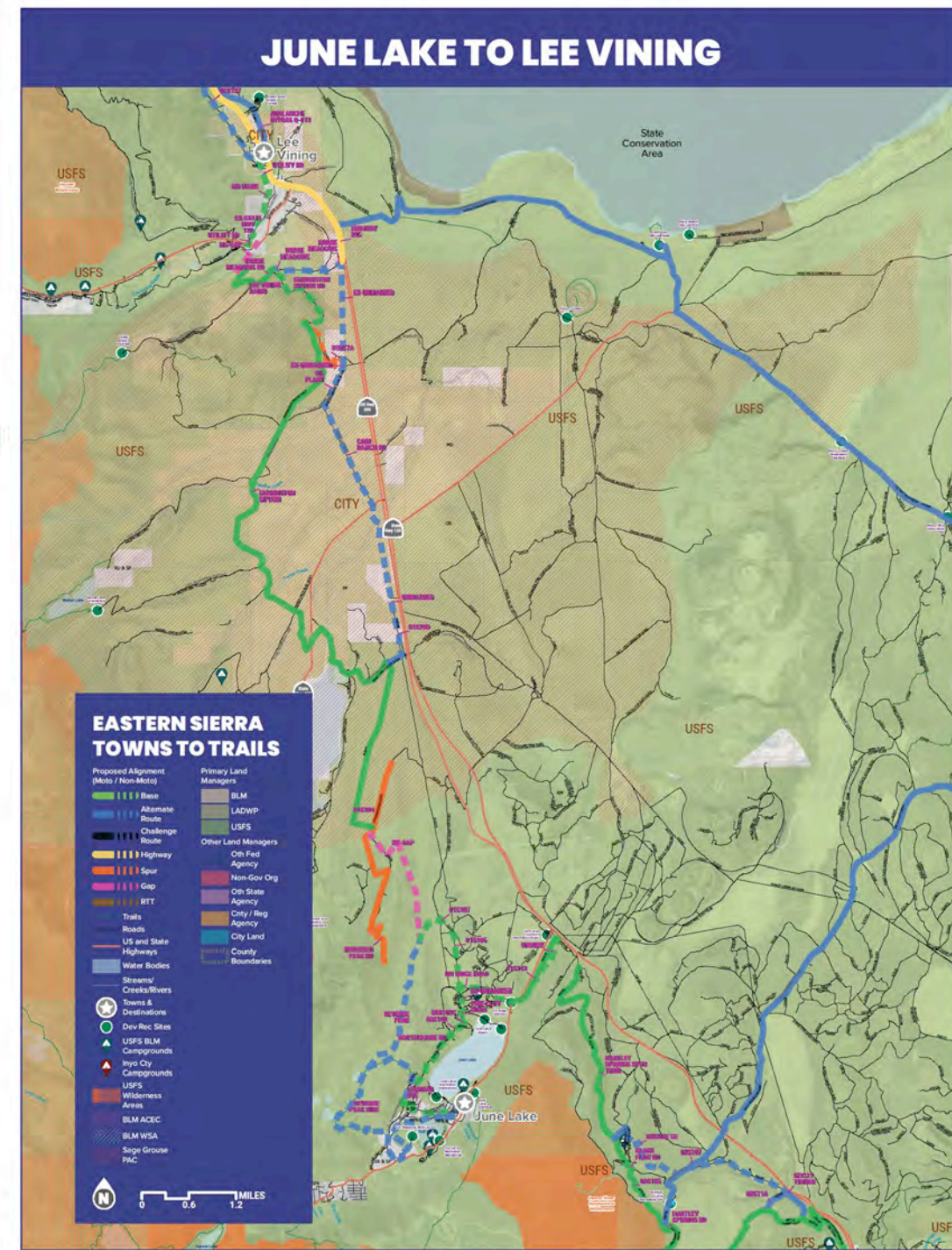
Stakeholder Comment Summary: Comments push for keeping trail away from 395 and point out more SRIC existing/planned singletrack. A number of landscape based comments relating to steep, washout, and Rush Creek crossing. One comment mentioned the Ansel Adams proposed wilderness extension and others mentioned to keep out of wilderness.

Existing Trails to Connect to:

Existing Sites/Locations to Connect to:

June Lake to Lee Vining Alignment Notes

- From June Lake around the west side of the lake on the segment described in the Mammoth Lakes to June Lake, the alignment continues north from the intersection of Oh Ridge Road and Forest Service Road 01S105 and continues on 01S29D.
- It then connects to Old Highway 395-Cain Ranch Rd and turns north on County Road Oil Plant Rd.
- From here it could either travel north on an unmarked road near the western sided of State Highway 120 to USFS Horse Meadows Rd
- Or it could go from Oil Plant Rd onto Forest Service Rd 01N17A, and then Farrington Siphon Rd which wraps around the hillside connecting to Horse Meadows Rd
- From here it would travel north on Gibbs Siphon Rd then along Highway 120 for apx 0.3 miles
- It would then turn north onto the County Utility Rd for apx 0.15 miles
- It then would head along the unmarked road along the hillside to the west parallel to the utility road.
- This unmarked road ends at the intersection with County Road Lee Vining Rd and Forest Service Rd 01N107.



Topaz Lake to MarkleeVille

Total Comments Received: 12

Stakeholder Comment Summary: Potential connection between Turtle Rock/Charity Valley/Picketts Pk Burnside Fire Rd, and potential for trail on Alpine/Mono line. Some mention Levaithan Mine Road

Existing Trails to Connect to: Douglas Co Trails, Carson River Trail to Barney Riley, SLT to XMAS Valley

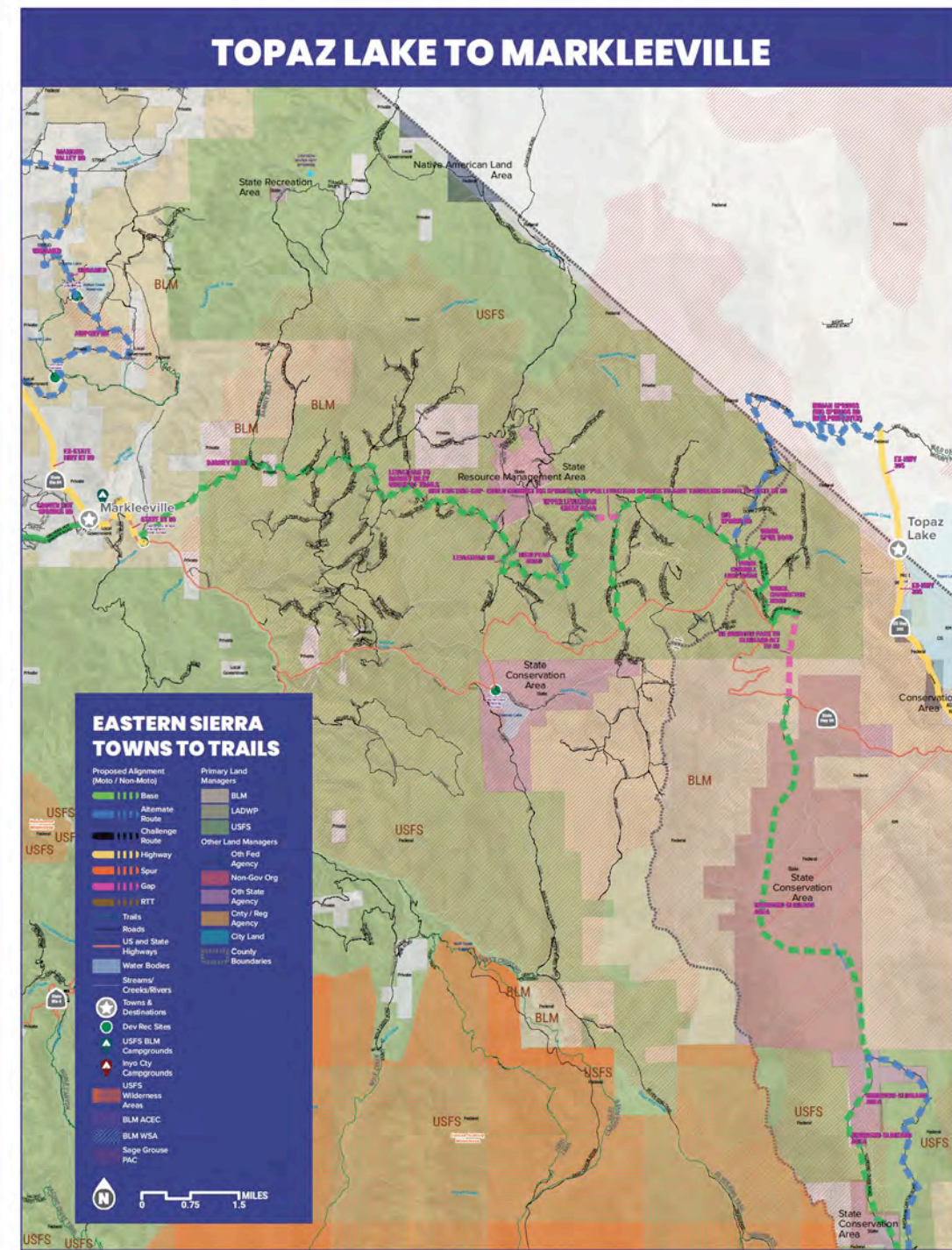
Xmas valley to TRT @ Roland Lake TRT to Scotts Lake Scotts Lake to Old Luther Luther to Picketts

Picketts to Burnside Lake Burnside Lake to Charity Valley

Existing Sites/Locations to Connect to:

Topaz Lake to Markleeville Alignment Notes

- The route travels on Highway 395 north to Big Springs Rd.
- It continues on Big Springs Rd west instead of south to State Rt 89.
- Gap opportunity to ground truth is between Big springs Rd and Upper Leviathan Spur C which connects to Upper Leviathan Creek Rd. This gap could save users having to go 2 miles back down to State Rt 89 on Big Spring Rd and then another apx 2 miles along State Rt 89 to go back north another mile on Leviathan Rd, or combination of connector Rd Spur B/Haypress/Elbow Spur.
- If Gap is made to Upper Leviathan Creek Rd, the alignment would continue until intersecting with Leviathan Rd and going north on it for apx 0.5 miles before going west onto a long combination of USFS roads connecting to Barney Riley.
- The Oro Reality Route also designates these USFS roads between Leviathan Rd and Barney Riley.
- The remainder of the Topaz Lake to Markleeville from Barney Riley is along State Rt 89.



Next Steps

Summer 2024

- Community workshops
- Alignment refinement and verification

Fall 2024

- Plan preparation
- Coordinate with other regional efforts
- Agency and stakeholder presentations





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December 19, 2023

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Subject: A recent proliferation in proposals for new motorized vehicle routes in the Sierra Nevada

Dear Regional Forester Eberlien:

We, the undersigned NGOs, are seeing an increase in proposals for new motorized vehicle routes (most of which are being characterized as "trails") in some of California's National Forests, including the Inyo, Lassen, Plumas, and Tahoe, among others. These proposals are often made in the name of rural economic development and access.

While we very much support sustainable rural economic development, including the creation of jobs through fuel management, tourism, the introduction of broadband, and watershed restoration, the recent flurry of off-highway vehicle route proposals is causing us some serious concern.

A case in point is "Connected Communities," a proposal by an organization called Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship for establishing over 600 miles of motorized vehicle "trails" and over 300,000 acres of proposed "Recreation Zones" and "Future Planned Trail Areas" in the Plumas, Lassen, Tahoe, and Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forests. Please see <https://sierratrails.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/ITS-CC-Poster.pdf> for more details. We are struck by the fairly large number of new motorized route proposals at the same time that are shown on the Plumas, Lassen, and Tahoe SOPAs as if in response to Connected Communities.

Another example is the "Tourism Initiative (SRTI)". It proposes new routes in several entities, including the Humboldt National Forest, the Humboldt Management, and the Los Angeles National Forest. It also affects existing trail and soft-surface trails in affected counties, tribes, lands, and uses of the trails and routes.

We support construction of new trails after an environmental review that also includes funding for maintenance and chosen locations that do not conflict with Forest plans. To be clear, single-use trails located in areas that do not require an environmental review.

Below is an outline of a number of concerns in the Sierra Nevada. Any proposed route should:

- On any proposed "motorized" route, to the detriment of hunting and horseback riding.
- Increased wildfire risk.
- Many portions of the established roads are already overbuilt.
- Motorized recreation areas as much of the conditions. It also may reduce range of habitat.
- While these trail proposals have a long history in the California National Forests, they are better control of off-highway vehicle use.

To help limit these potential impacts, Forest staff and advocates for sustainable recreation while developing new trail ideas should:

- Avoid proposing new routes in designated vehicle routes (VRAs), other wilderness habitat, watershed, cultural resource, or vehicle activity. We believe in the southern Cascades, and motorized trails.
- Do not propose that motorized routes be used for non-motorized uses. Motorized trails are not for track trails. There are already many trails between equestrians and other users.
- Consider the cumulative impacts of other routes on watersheds (connectivity), cultural resources, and frequent cause of accidents. Motorized recreation, and potential impacts should be considered.
- Avoid new motorized vehicle routes.
- To the greatest extent possible, avoid roaded sections of the roads.
- Include monitoring plans for prompt specified management.
- Avoid the construction of vehicle incursions in designated Volcanic National Park, Pacific Crest National Scenic Trails, and non-federal lands.
- The expansion of motorized trails and routes that don't have a clear purpose.
- All additional mileage of future maintenance and

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to discussing this issue more with you, your Regional Office team, local National Forest staff, tribes, various stakeholders, community leaders, trail advocates, and others in the months ahead.

Sincerely,

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Groundtruthing



General Comments:

3. This project will have a huge impact on wildlife, especially mule deer, pronghorn, Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep (SNBS), and the to state sage grouse. The SNBS are an endangered species and the to state sage grouse are a candidate species that is in serious decline. This project will undo decades of conservation efforts to protect these species and other sensitive plant and animal species. Most of the conflicts with wildlife are north of Bishop. I highly suggest you avoid the routes that are the most detrimental to wildlife. A route through Wickham Canyon, Long Valley Canyons, and the Snake Hills are examples of sacrificing the best wildlife habitat areas for recreation.

2. You need to have Section 106 consultations with all six Tribes in the Eastern Sierra regarding this project: the Bridgport Indian Colony, the Kutzadilla Tribe, the Bishop Tribe, the Big Pine Tribe, the Fort Independence Tribe, and the Lone Pine Tribe. You are planning routes that cross their property land to sacred lands, and you are archaeological sites. Consultation means understanding them and sitting down and talking to the Tribal leaders in person. I hope you do this.

3. I assume this project will bring an increase in ORV and motorized tube recreation to the entire Eastern Sierra and that the increase will be at least ten-fold more than what we see today as the word gets out. There are two concerns I have with that. 1) There will be frequent streams of dirt up and down the Eastern Sierra that will affect our air quality. The air quality is already bad in the Owens, Tahoe and much of the dust that will be kicked up there will be alkaline dust. Much of the dust that will be kicked up in Mono County will have microscopic bits of volcanic silicaglass. Neither is good to breathe in. 2) there will be more off road abuse and trails on our public lands. There will not be an equivalent increase in patios, enforcement, trail maintenance, or cleanup.

General Questions:

- All the orange spurs are solid lines, does that mean they all will allow motorized use?
- Has the Alta/Natchez team actually driven or ridden all of the proposed routes? If not, I highly recommend it before releasing the next generation of maps.
- Is the goal to have just one through route, i.e., the green route? or is it to have both the green and the blue routes in addition to the black route and the orange spurs to points of interest?
- Will it be a future task for this project to change the designations of routes from non-motorized to motorized use? If the ultimate goal is to create a motorized dirt route from Olancha to Tahoe, the designation of many segments of roads will need to be changed to allow that. I assume that by making the distinction on the maps that you are highlighting the areas that need to be changed to achieve that goal.

Map Specific Issues

Olancha to Lone Pine

- The green line seems to be following an old railroad line. There are 3 stretches along it that go through private property or agricultural use, a parcel at Canal Canyon and the 1001 State Canyon Rd. We will need permission from the owners to allow the public to go through their land.
- It looks like the solid blue route needs to cross where water is released into Star Lake. There isn't a crossing there now. A bridge would need to be built.

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- Likewise Canyon Road turns down to one lane. There is a dashed green route along it. This may be a problem if there is a lot of traffic on it.
- How far down do the SNBS come on the southwest side of Lone Pine? This part of the Sierra is home to the largest SNBS unit. Hopefully they don't come down as far as Horseshoe Meadows Rd. or to Lubben Rd. There are great meadows and pastures along Lubben Rd. they might gain.
- There already is a lot of traffic along Whitney Portal Rd. and Mono Rd. especially during the Lone Pine Film Festival. This program may increase that traffic beyond the carrying capacity.

Lone Pine to Independence

- There isn't a road where the solid green line goes north from Molokai Ranch and then curves back to Mono Rd. (between "G" and "H"). It should be a pink. I doubt that route will be allowed, but take a look at the land management plan for the Alabama Hills and talk to the BLM before releasing the final maps.
- You should know it is really sandy between Highback Creek and Monoceros in spots and not fun to cycle through. Add those that participate in the Whitney-Sage South cycling event. When ORVs are directed to travel that route, it will only make it worse or completely impossible for gravel biking. The road bed should be rebuilt. Another reason for rebuilding the road would be to reduce the dust to protect the LADNP Highback Yellow-bellied Cuckoo migration site. Frequent noise, lights, and dust will make route less to visit in the area defeating the purpose of the mitigation project.
- There is a solid blue route from Forest Rd. going north that runs across an alluvial fan road. Most of it is an LADNP property so, shouldn't it be dashed for the same reason the other routes on LADNP property are dashed? While there is a dirt road there, and when you do get permission from LADNP to include it in this program, sending a lot of traffic there will make off road abuse, destroy bioniverse desert vegetation, destroy the soil, and cause erosion. There are also a BLM trail variance area and could be developed for larger scale use.
- The northern part of that route ends at Mazouza Rd. where there is one of the few creekside communities in the Owens Valley. It will also be a viable road you know many locations in the Owens Valley and ruin everyone else's scenic views. For these reasons, you should use the old Canyon and Colton railroad road line instead.

Independence to Big Pine

- Why is it a dashed line between Forest Rd. and Mazouza Rd. but not from Mazouza Rd. to Henderson Station Rd. It is almost entirely on LADNP land, not BLM land. Again, use the permissive route as the railroad line so you don't destroy what natural habitat remains in the Owens Valley. There will be a dust problem that will need to be addressed on these roads.
- Custer Mountain is a very special place to the Tribes. Destroying hundreds of people up McMurtry Meadows Rd. Case Rd. or Birch Creek Rd. is disrespectful. It also makes off road abuse and incursions into the wilderness. That area supports wildlife. Please consider a route to the east of Highway 195.
- The dashed green line that goes across the western edge of Custer Mountain might be impractically rocky since it is less rock. The route follows a powerline and then drops down into the sandy area by the Big Pine Dump. It then crosses the Big Pine Creek bypass. There will be water in the bypass some years. A bridge might be needed to cross it.
- Part of the road marked in black on your map which goes to Death Valley Mt through Olancha Canyon to the Turka Dunes and to the Paper Wilderness is a County Road. If it is on ORV land, it is the same part of the homeland of the Kutzadilla Tribe. They should be consulted about this and other routes. It was proposed as part of the Adventure Trails program over a decade ago. ORVs are not allowed in ORNP or on the Paper Wilderness and driving ORVs down that road or to the Pappas Flat trails.

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Incursions off road along the way and into the Park and wilderness area. There are already documented abuses on that route.

Big Pine to Bishop

- There is a suggestion to have a spur route to Elmore Lake. At the south end of the lake, there is an LADNP mitigation project to put water out for waterfowl habitat. There is a road to the south end of the lake, but an ORV or motorized route should not go into the waterfowl habitat area. The road to the west of the lake gets pretty muddy and would need improvement or people will get stuck there.
- Warren Lake is also an LADNP mitigation project. The size of Warren Lake varies for a variety of reasons, but it is a good bird habitat. There is a County Road that goes around it that generates a lot of dust. It is wide so people have fun on it. The dust needs to be addressed if this is going to get a lot of traffic. It will also need to become a combined use road.
- Your map shows a dashed blue line from through Hot Springs to Ravenen Creek going through BLM land that mostly doesn't exist. There also isn't a stream crossing where you have a hole crossing. It is a riparian corridor and will need a crossing built. It should be pink a proposed new road. It continues on to Barlow Ln. and doesn't line up with existing roads. A sometimes look like it is following a motorcycle trail, but not a legitimate BLM road.
- The blue route that goes along S. Barlow Ln. in Bishop and then down W. Line Street, turns on Line Ln. and goes along a road behind the BLM office and then comes out at Knecht Ln. will not be allowed. You will not be allowed to take that route through the Bishop Pacific Reservation for many valid reasons. You will also need to make clearly in Bishop combined use roads.

Bishop to Crowley

- The green dashed route on the south side of the Owens River isn't really an existing road and should be marked in pink. It is not the Chalk Bluff Rd. on the north side of the river (near?) The bridge to Happy-Ed Shoulters will be nice. Is the green dashed route from the Bishop Creek Canal to the Owens Canal to stay non-motorized? The road along the Bishop Creek Canal and "Y" Drive is narrow. If vehicles are to be allowed, there isn't a lot of room for vehicles to pass or for a vehicle to go around a bike or horse or to turn around.
- The solid orange route through Round Valley is a route that I think the Tribes would be concerned about. You need to consult with them. It is open to motorized vehicles now but does not get the volume of traffic it will get when this program is launched. The more people using it, the higher the number of off road abuse.
- The dashed blue alternative route from Paradise to Anchor Spring Rd. is in the Round Valley mule deer migration corridor and should be eliminated if it is to be a motorized route.

Crowley to Mammoth Lakes

- There is not an existing road from Hilton Creek across to the road to Crowley Lake Campground. This should be a pink dashed line, not green.
- There is not a road through SNBS, and since it is a research habitat, I don't think you will get permission to have a route through there.
- A wildlife corridor and several underpasses are being planned for the area between Sherman Road and Mt. Morrison Rd. The deer will be funneled into the overpass with fencing. However, the route you are proposing will cross deer areas from using the overpass and the underpasses, defeating the purpose of a \$30-million project. This area might also have a lot of vehicle recreational traffic spreading out from the base of Mammoth Lakes on top of those traveling north south. The deer stage in the spring and fall in the sagebrush at the base of the Sierra, behind the airport and around the Newquist Dome.

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- This same area is also habitat of the to state sage grouse. They are there. Frequent ORV and bike traffic will impact them. The number of people dispersing camping and walking their dogs in the Laurel and Sherman Canyons area is already impacting them. The green route through the sagebrush will exacerbate it. The solid blue loop out to the department camping area should be eliminated. That route should have more traffic on it and it would be better if there was only one road in and out.

Mammoth Lakes to Lone Lake

- There is an orange route encircling Horseshoe Lake in the Mammoth Lakes Basin. Lake Mary Road currently sits at the east end of the lake and doesn't go all the way around it. There's a walking trail that runs through. Are you proposing that a road will go all the way around it with this program? Please somehow show what the road will be for the orange route.
- With the expansion of recreation around Mammoth Mountain and the traffic on the Red Meadows road, deer are forced into the Dry Creek/Hot Cuts area. The San Joaquin Ridge/Mount Vista wildlife is a low point, a migration of many species of wildlife are to get into the Sierra Nevada. Not, this program will make it more difficult by increasing the amount of traffic in this area. Both the proposed green route and the alternate blue route will act as barriers. The green route runs close to the wilderness boundary and will make incursions into it. The more traffic, the more incursions. For the sake of the wildlife, there should only be one route to Lone Lake Junction and it should be close to the highway or maybe even in the east side of the highway.
- Why not use the Lone Long Road?
- Why does the solid blue line heading northeast out of Hartley Springs go after it goes off the map?

Lone Lake to Lee Vining

- There already is a hiking trail to the snow ponds and to Reverse Peak that starts across from the ball field in Lone Lake where you show a dashed blue route. What are you adding with your routes? Are you proposing that it will now be a motorized route? ORV's/motorcycles? That isn't clear from the map.
- The proposed green route, while it follows a nice wide road, passes through to state sage grouse territory. Because it is well maintained and wide, people can have fun on it and kick up a lot of dust which will impact the sage grouse. This is where the Parker Population Management Unit is. Considerable time and expense has been put into recovering sage grouse to this area. Traffic to the Parker Lake trailhead already impacts the sage grouse. Encouraging more traffic with this program to the east side of the highway will add to it. The alternate blue dashed route would be better, but still not good.
- The upper road off of Old Plant road is steep and will collide with a lot of vehicle traffic. LADNP might not like that.
- The alternate dashed blue route crosses Bureau Indian Affairs property at the entrance. You should make sure you have permission to divert a route through there.
- The Horseshoe Meadows area and Lee Vining Canyons are made deer migration routes. The proposed routes might cut them off.
- The solid blue route along Red Station Road will kick up a lot of dust. It is a maintained, wide county road where people go to get to the West Shore trailhead. This should not be a route.
- Where does this route go when it goes off the map? Does it go back to Hartley Springs?
- It looks like you are proposing a route off of Liberty Road that goes behind the Lee Vining Elementary School. It is close to the state valley reservoir, water tower and an elementary school. It is a very busy area. I don't recommend directing ORVs, motorcycles, or even non-motorized trail traffic behind the school.

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Lee Vining to Bridgport

- There is a solid blue line from Muddy Rd. to the Old Marina. This road gets washed out frequently. Also, there is a lot of traffic coming off of Highway 195 to the Old Marina and limited parking. Because ORVs sometimes travel in groups, this route might cause traffic to back up on Highway 195 waiting to turn onto the Old Marina parking lot. There is also a road that goes off of this segment of road that goes over to Lee Vining Creek and on to Tosi Station Road. This is not a safe route to cross in spring or early summer and will need signage explaining that.
- The solid blue route that goes through Crowley Ranch does not connect to the Crowley Ranch Road. You will need to build a bridge over Wilson Creek and the Wilson Creek Ranch. Because this is not an existing motorized route, it needs to be marked with a pink line. While there is a road there from Highway 195 through the lake up to the river, it is not a public road the whole way and any proposal you have for a route through that property (owned by Mono County) must conform to the conservation easement requirements. Also, to state sage grouse are Crowley Ranch, especially along that blue route. It is also part of the homeland of the Kutzadilla Tribe. They should be consulted about this and other routes. The green route that runs to the east of Crowley Ranch and crosses Wilson Creek is a route. Tell the stream crossing should be removed.
- The whole solid green route from Rattlesnake Gulch Rd. to SNBS, crossing it and going to Gibraltar Canyon to Big Akah Flat and then over to Twinline Hot Springs is entirely inappropriate. This route must be taken off the table. The southern end of this route goes through Independence, a historic town featuring another cultural site. A large part of the route is not an existing BLM road and should be in pink. Just a few short segments are a BLM road: Rattlesnake Gulch Rd. to the Sierramese Cut is an existing road, but then drops. From Sierramese Cut north to Highway 210 the proposed route doesn't follow a road and it means a little used road coming in from the west. That section follows a riparian corridor and passes through sage grouse habitat that needs to be protected, not trampled. The road up Gibraltar Canyon is a BLM road only to the river, but it is badly eroded and not maintained. This route crosses mule deer and pronghorn migration routes, passes through private lands with conservation easements, passes through the Snake Mountain WSA, and leads people to Twinline Hot Springs which is a special Tribal site that has already been trampled and damaged by visitors. You will get stuck back on the route. The blue spur off of it is inappropriate as well.
- The alternate route that goes up Cottonwood Canyon is better. Although going up the Geiger Grade out of the Snake Mountain State Park is eroded and leaves little passing room. As you get closer to Snake and Pueblo Peaks at the top of the grade and the Rough Creek headwaters, there are sage grouse that walk in the road and cross. It is motorized vehicles need to go through that section slowly. Signage won't be enough. There will need to be speed bumps or highway 195 and that there is a spur route along the Aurora Canyon road.

Bridgport to Walker

- It looks like the route out of Bridgport heading north is Highway 195. It is not safe to have green checker vehicles riding on the Highway there and the California motor vehicle code only allows three miles of combined use roads. This should be marked in pink.
- The dashed blue route up Nanny Canyon runs along the boundary of an Invertebrate Resource Area which will make incursions into the riparian area. However, the route extends to Horseshoe Creek, which is much longer than the Roundhill Square ORV/MHBY map shows. It is an existing ORV road. Mark this route should be in pink. This is an inappropriate route for motorized or non-motorized travel. Nanny Canyon is one of the few remaining wild areas in the county. It needs to stay that way.

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- The Long Valley Canyon dashed green route also borders an Invertebrate Resource Area much of the way to the Roundhill Square. It will make off road use and travel along Horseshoe Creek. However, the Roundhill Square ORV/MHBY map doesn't even show a road up Long Valley Canyon, let alone as far as Star Canyon and Dry Creek. This is a new route and needs to be marked in pink. The entrance to the canyon is a riparian corridor and will need a crossing built. It should be pink a proposed new road. It continues on to Barlow Ln. and doesn't line up with existing roads. A sometimes look like it is following a motorcycle trail, but not a legitimate BLM road.
- The dashed blue route that encircles the green route that is the Little Walker River Road is also not on the USFS/MHBY map. This would be a new road and should be in pink.
- There are no state sage grouse to the east of the Little Walker River and south of the highway to the Wheeler area. Please don't put a route there.
- The Buckhorn Flat route passes through to state sage grouse territory. It will need to be heavily signed to prevent people from driving off road, chasing and walking around, or dispersing camping in the area near the creek crossing.

Submitted by Lynn Boulton
June 18, 2014

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2024 GRANT SLATE



California Forests and Watersheds Program

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Shasta-Trinity National Forest

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OVERVIEW

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the Pacific Southwest Region of the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) announced a round of funding for the California Forests and Watersheds Program. Nine new or continuing forest restoration and resilience grants totaling \$53 million were awarded. The nine awards announced leveraged \$31.4 million in match from the grantees, providing a total conservation impact of \$84.4 million.

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2024 GRANT SLATE



Los Padres National Forest

Building Capacity and Community Wildfire Resiliency in the Angeles National Forest (CA)

Grantee: San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy
Grant Amount: \$5,200,000
Matching Funds: \$1,000,000
Total Project Amount: \$6,200,000
Increase the pace and scale of high-priority community wildfire resilience efforts, such as defensible space creation and fuel break maintenance, located in shared jurisdictional boundaries along the wildland-urban interface of the Angeles National Forest. Project will protect adjacent communities from catastrophic fires and mitigate the negative impact of fire and related climate hazards in local watersheds and ecosystems.

Eastern Sierra Climate and Communities II (CA)

Grantee: Whitehawk Institute
Grant Amount: \$7,000,000
Matching Funds: \$1,360,000
Total Project Amount: \$8,360,000
Advance both forest and community resilience within the Eastern Sierra through implementation of components of the ESCCRP Part I and project expansion northward to the Mono Basin. Project will implement 1,865 acres within the already developed ESCCRP Part I, and standard project development and environmental compliance for the Resilient Mono Basin Project that will include planning for additional forest restoration activities in the western Mono Basin.

Losos National Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative (CA)

Grantee: Sierra Institute for Community and Environment
Grant Amount: \$4,952,000
Matching Funds: \$1,000,000
Total Project Amount: \$5,952,000
Advance landscape-scale forest and watershed restoration efforts on the Alamosa Ranger District of the Losos National Forest in collaboration with partners at the Butte County Resource Conservation District and Sierra Institute for Community and Environment. Funds will advance phase I implementation activities on NPS lands in the 20,800-acre Upper Blaine Creek Project (UBCP) and the 101,000-acre West Lassen Resiliency Project (WLRP). Additionally, funds will support a local collaborative, the South Lassen Watersheds Group, to enable collaborative, community and Tribal engagement during WLRP and UBCP implementation.

Lower Trinity Landscape Resiliency (CA)

Grantee: Watershed Research and Training Center
Grant Amount: \$2,990,000
Matching Funds: \$3,697,800
Total Project Amount: \$6,687,800
Restore resilient forest structure, hydrologic and habitat conditions across the landscape from the community of Junction City on the east to just above Oriska on the west. Project will assist with the planning of the ambitious Big Ranch Project, the largest single planning effort yet undertaken on the west side of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest and lands will support the 2021 Knob and Monowent fires post-fire safety, fuels and restoration work within the same landscape.

2024 GRANT SLATE



Mendocino National Forest

Reducing Ignition Potential through Ignition-Prone Area Restoration (CA)

Grantee: University of California - Santa Barbara
Grant Amount: \$1,100,000
Matching Funds: \$270,000
Total Project Amount: \$1,370,000
Reduce ignition potential in the Los Padres National Forest in distributed areas of the Thomas Fire area by replacing flammable invasive grasses with low flammability native species. Project will create hazard reduction tools that will identify hotspots based on abundance of non-native grassy fuels near prior ignition points, test restoration approaches, and create a decision support tool that identifies and matches high hazard sites and their environmental features to restoration methods.

Reforestation and Restoration of Caldor Fire-Affected Watersheds (CA)

Grantee: American Forestry
Grant Amount: \$10,600,000
Matching Funds: \$0,500,000
Total Project Amount: \$11,100,000
Restore thousands of acres in the South Fork American and Cosumnes River watersheds. This effort will be led by American Forestry, American Rivers and the Colusa-Tule Valley Council of Governments, in collaboration with the Eldorado National Forest and in coordination with regional partners. This project will advance a comprehensive suite of forest and watershed recovery treatments including reforestation, seed and cone collection, meadow and watershed restoration, native plant revegetation, and Tribal-led cultural site protection within the Caldor Fire footprint.

Restoring Forest Habitats in Mendocino National Forest (CA)

Grantee: Forest Restoration Ops
Grant Amount: \$4,000,000
Matching Funds: \$800,000
Total Project Amount: \$4,800,000
Treat thousands of acres of priority forest habitats and

provide Mendocino National Forest and concentrate NFWF surveys to facilitate future treatments in areas impacted by the August Complex Fire. Fuel treatments will be done via post-fire fuels reduction and site preparation, reforestation, site preparation, understory thinning, and prescribed fire to accelerate restoration, restore ecosystem services, mitigate post-fire impacts, and enhance forest resilience to wildfire and climate change for neighboring communities, watersheds and wildlife.

Upper Trinity River Watershed Partnership (CA)

Grantee: Watershed Research and Training Center
Grant Amount: \$6,100,000
Matching Funds: \$2,950,000
Total Project Amount: \$9,050,000
Accelerate and scale up critical planning and implementation projects, reduce hazardous fuels to protect communities, enhance landscape wildfire resilience, restore meadows and oak woodlands and reduce malnutrition in the Upper Trinity River Watershed. Project will yield significant benefits to both local communities and landscapes, and the many downstream beneficiaries (Tribal, fisheries, farms and metro areas) reliant on Trinity River water.

Western Klamath Landscape and Community Resiliency (CA)

Grantee: Mad Klamath Watershed Council
Grant Amount: \$9,830,000
Matching Funds: \$3,000,000
Total Project Amount: \$12,830,000
Address limiting factors to increasing pace and scale of upland and riparian restoration across all land ownerships. Project will prioritize riparian and meadow fuel reduction, prescribed fire, increase and meadow habitat restoration, trail maintenance, native and invasive plant management, environmental compliance and research/monitoring projects across all lands, proportional to funding contributions

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California's Eastern Sierra National Forest

National Forest and coordinate NFWF fire treatments in areas impacted by the fire. Fire treatments will be done via aerial and site preparation, reforestation, necessary thinning, and prescribed fire to reduce, restore ecosystem services, mitigate, and enhance forest resilience to wildfire for neighboring communities, watersheds

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Regional Updates: ESCCRP Projects



FINLAND FOREST
BIOECONOMY -
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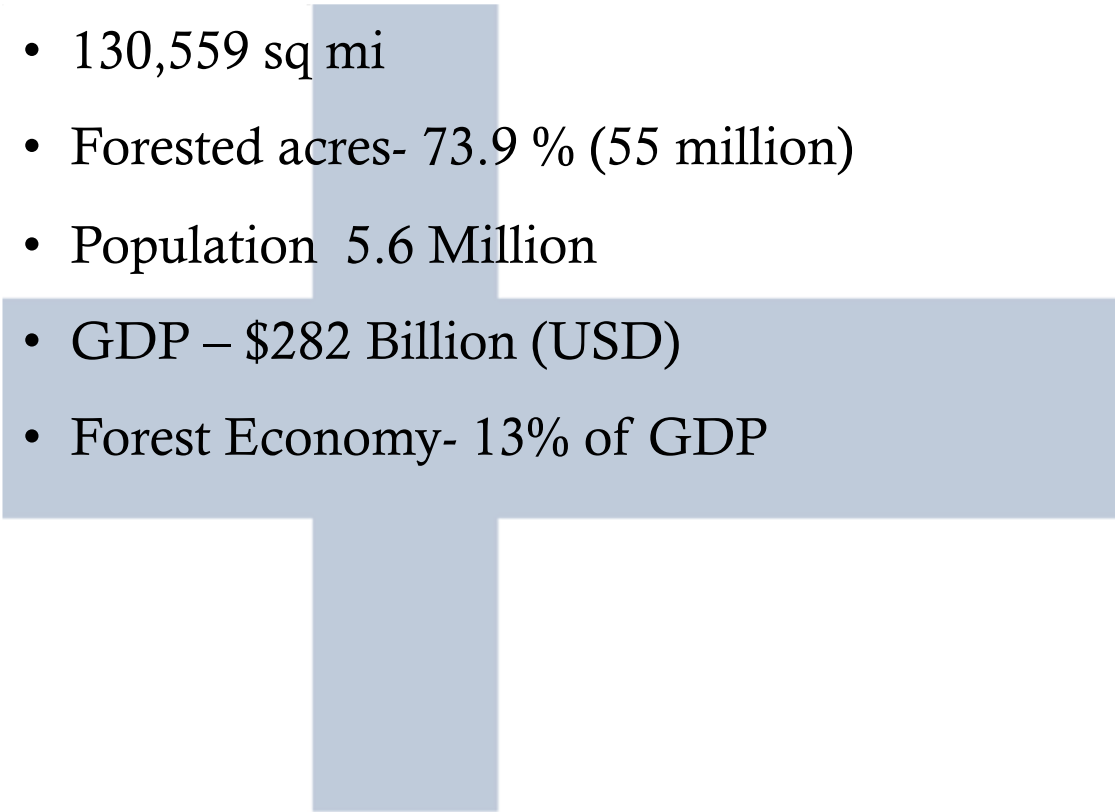
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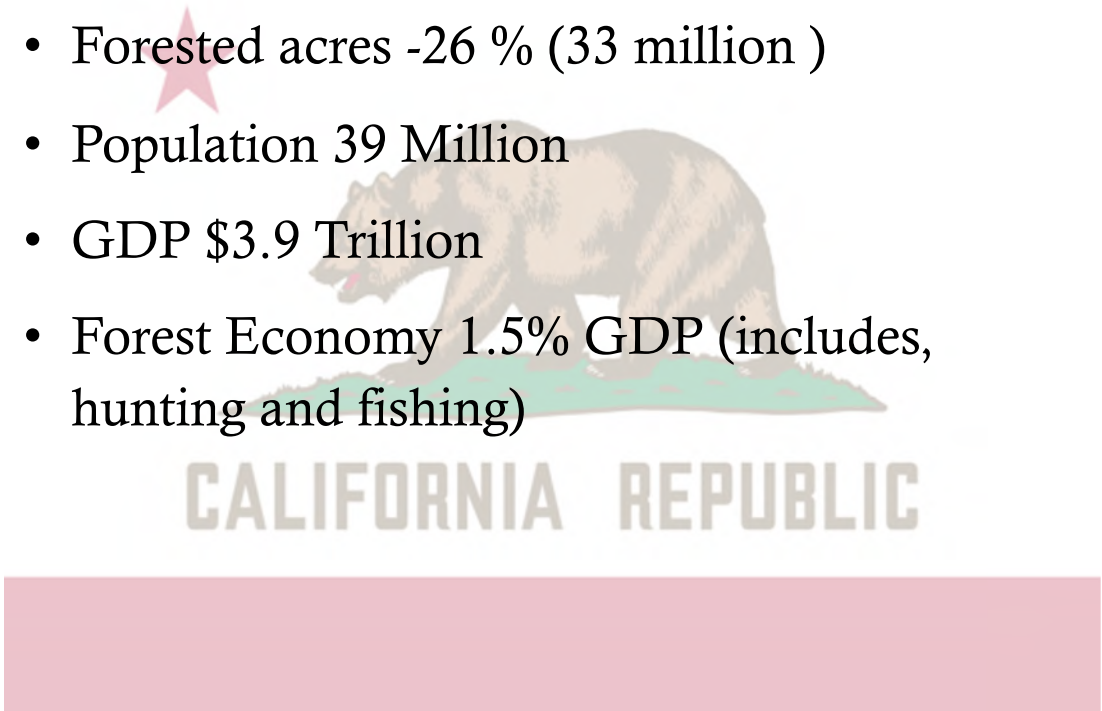
- Two days of conference discussions and business tours to explore the “Future of Forestry”
 - Stora Enso
 - UPM
 - Valmet

Road Tour

- Day 1
 - Sawmill manufacturing plant –Hew Saw
 - Pulp Mill - Metsa
 - Day 2- Ponsee forestry machine factory tour and testing site
 - Day 3-
 - Riveria Training Academy
 - Koli National Park
 - Biomass harvest operation site visit
 - University of Eastern Finland- Forest Ecology Walk
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FINLAND TO CALIFORNIA COMPARISON

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- 130,559 sq mi
 - Forested acres- 73.9 % (55 million)
 - Population 5.6 Million
 - GDP – \$282 Billion (USD)
 - Forest Economy- 13% of GDP

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- 163,696 sq mi
 - Forested acres -26 % (33 million)
 - Population 39 Million
 - GDP \$3.9 Trillion
 - Forest Economy 1.5% GDP (includes, hunting and fishing)



CALIFORNIA REPUBLIC





SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY- AS A PRODUCT

A different approach to forestry, but there are definately lessons to glean

SPECIALIZE IN LOW VALUE WOOD- OPTIMIZED FOR UTILIZATION

There is no wood wasted from forest to product, 100% of Tree is utilized to make a product of value from textiles, to biodiesel, building materials to energy and way beyond...





STATE OF THE ART MODULAR SAWMILLS



The Äänekoski business ecosystem

CARBON NEGATIVE PULP AND POWER PLANT

Metsä Wood

Kerto® LVL

Pro Nemus

Kuura® MI Demo's textile fibre demo plant

Specialty Minerals Nordic

Metsä Fibre

Veolia

Metsä Board

Metsä Board Excellence Centre

3D fibre product pilot mill
(Metsä Spring and Valmet)

Nouryon

Metsä Forest

Metsä Wood

Metsä Board's sheeting facility

Our unique bioproducts



Softwood and hardwood pulp

- Metsä Pine AKI (softwood)
- Metsä Birch AKI (hardwood)

End products

- Paperboard
- Tissue, greaseproof and printing paper
- Special products



Biochemicals

- Tall oil
- Turpentine

End products

- Special products of chemical industry
- Biofuels
- Fragrances



Bioenergy

- Bioelectricity
- District heat
- Steam
- Bark-based solid fuel

End products

- Bioenergy to the national grid and for the own use



Other bioproducts

- Product gas and sulphuric acid for the mill's own use
- Biopellets and biogas
- Lime and ash for fertilizers
- Sandy bark and branch mass for landscaping



New concepts under development

- Wood-based textile fibres (MI Demo, demo plant)
- 3D fibre product (Metsä Spring and Valmet, demo plant)
- Biomethanol for transport fuel (Veolia, investment decision 3/2022)
- Utilization of green liquor sludge
- New bioproducts

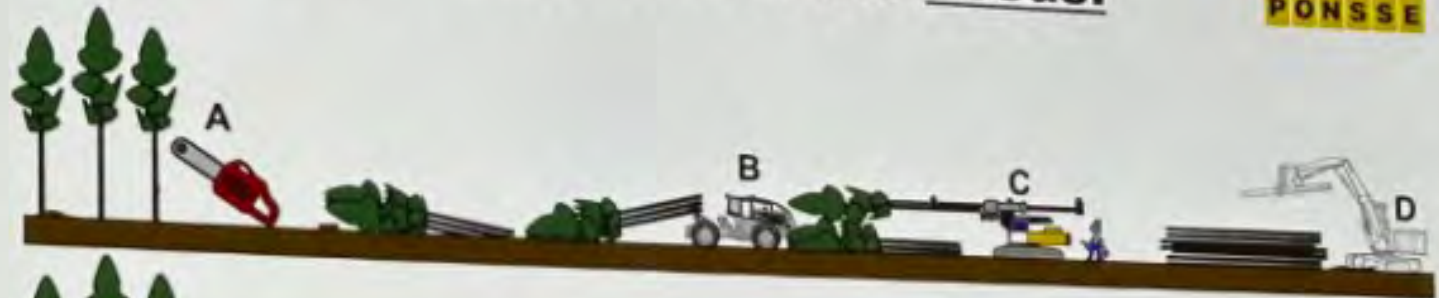


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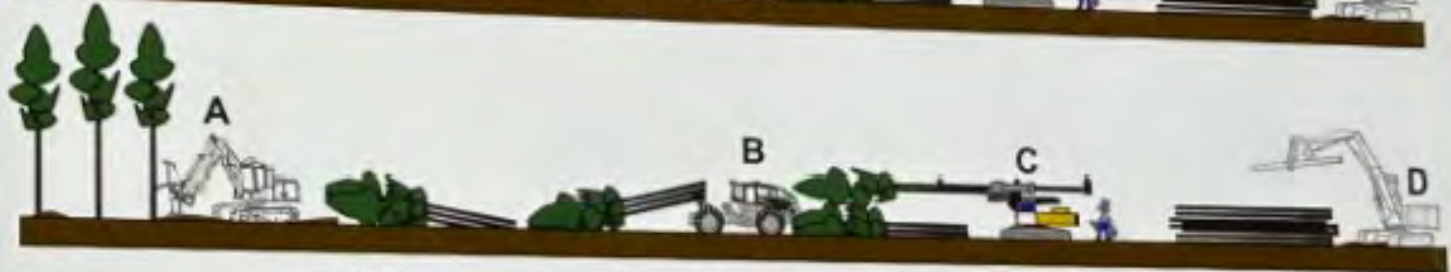
Best harvesting methods and machines for the needs!

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Semi mechanized full tree or
semi mechanized tree length



Mechanized full tree



Mechanized Cut To Length

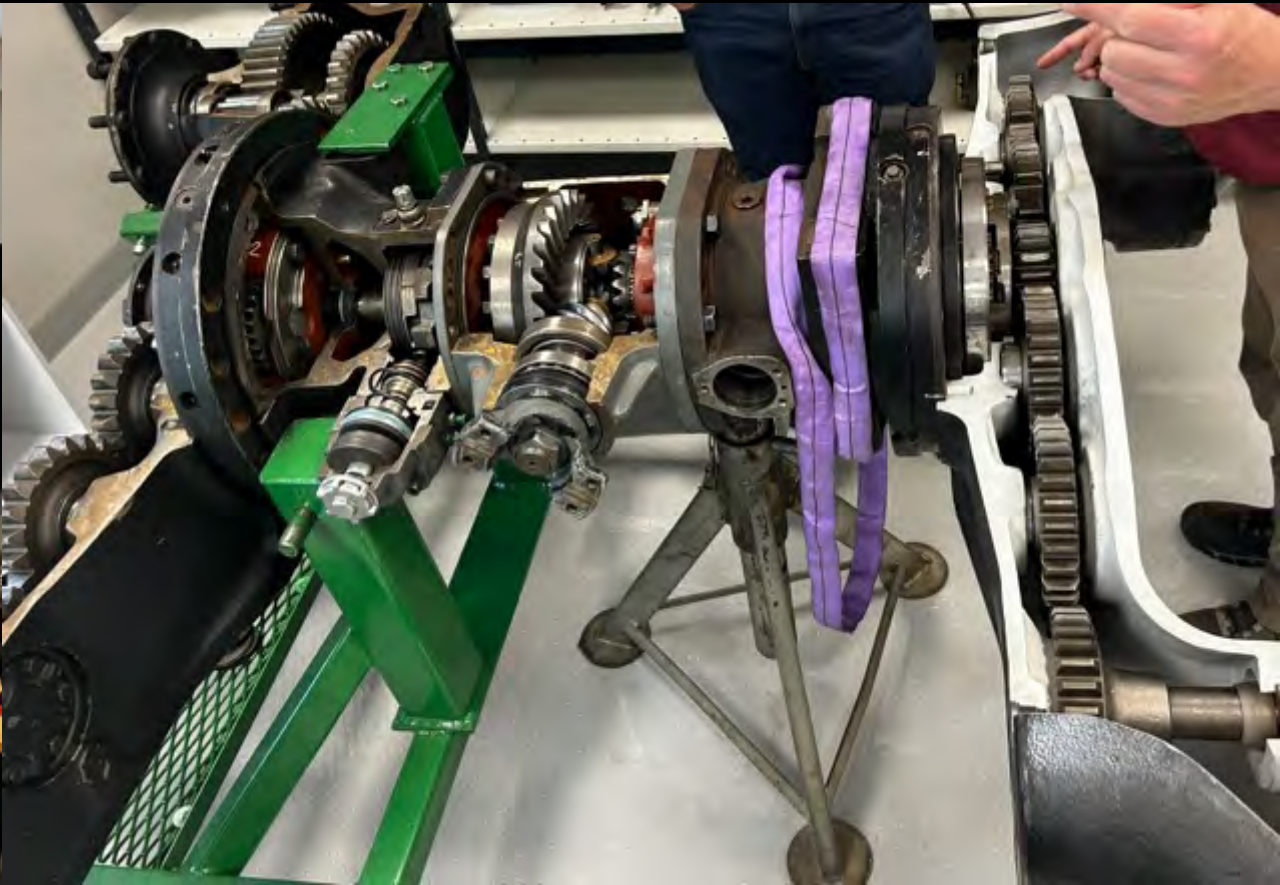




HEAVY EMPHASIS
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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING

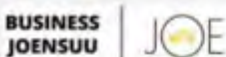
REVERIA Training Academy – invests in workforce to optimize not only production but efficiency, safety to assess best value employees





Forest Joensuu is a unique Innovation Ecosystem in global context

Funding and public services



Private funds, investors and banks



Research, Development, Education



Wood procurement



Forestry



+Forest production & management
+Silviculture, forestry infra

Wood processing



Bioenergy + bio products



Sustainable construction



ICT, AI, tech & services



Forest machinery



National networks



International networks

- 1 Akonkosen Saha Oy, Toivakka
- 2 Antika Wood Oy, Lietola
- 3 Antika Wood Oy, Sorsala
- 4 Antika Wood Oy, Toivakka
- 5 Binderholz Nordic Oy, Uusika
- 6 Binderholz Nordic Oy, Nurmela
- 7 ER-Saha Oy, Viitasaari
- 8 FM Timber Oy, Pihlajavesi
- 9 FM Timber Oy, Pyhäjärvi
- 10 Haka Wood Oy Ab, Viitasaari
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Tuotantomäärä 1000 m³
Production volume



HOW THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH

- Investment in infrastructure
 - Rail-25%
 - Biofuel supported truck transportation- 75%
 - Industry (sawmill, pulpmills)
 - R & D in technology in low/negative C and improved efficiency
- Investment in data acquisition and technology
 - Reliable LiDAR, paid for and shared across multiple sectors
 - Businesses that offer services/products using LiDAR derived data
- Investment in workforce training & analytics!
- Sustained investment over time and commitment to healthy and sustainable forests

THANK YOU

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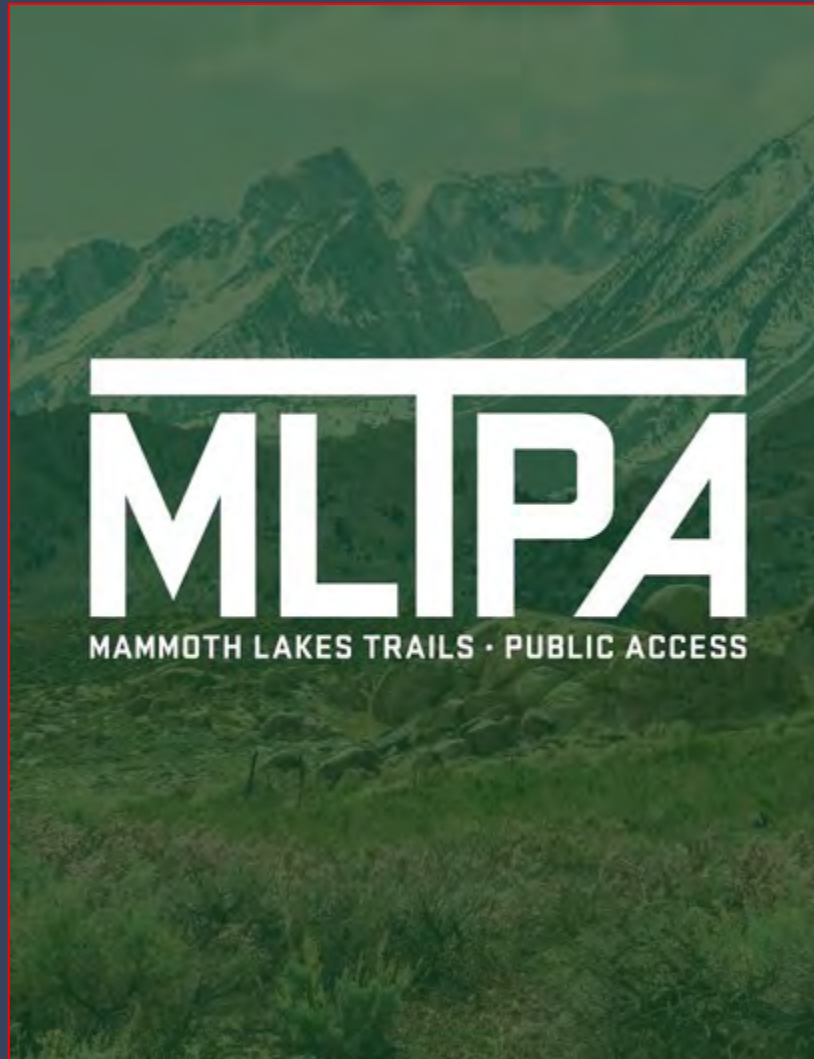
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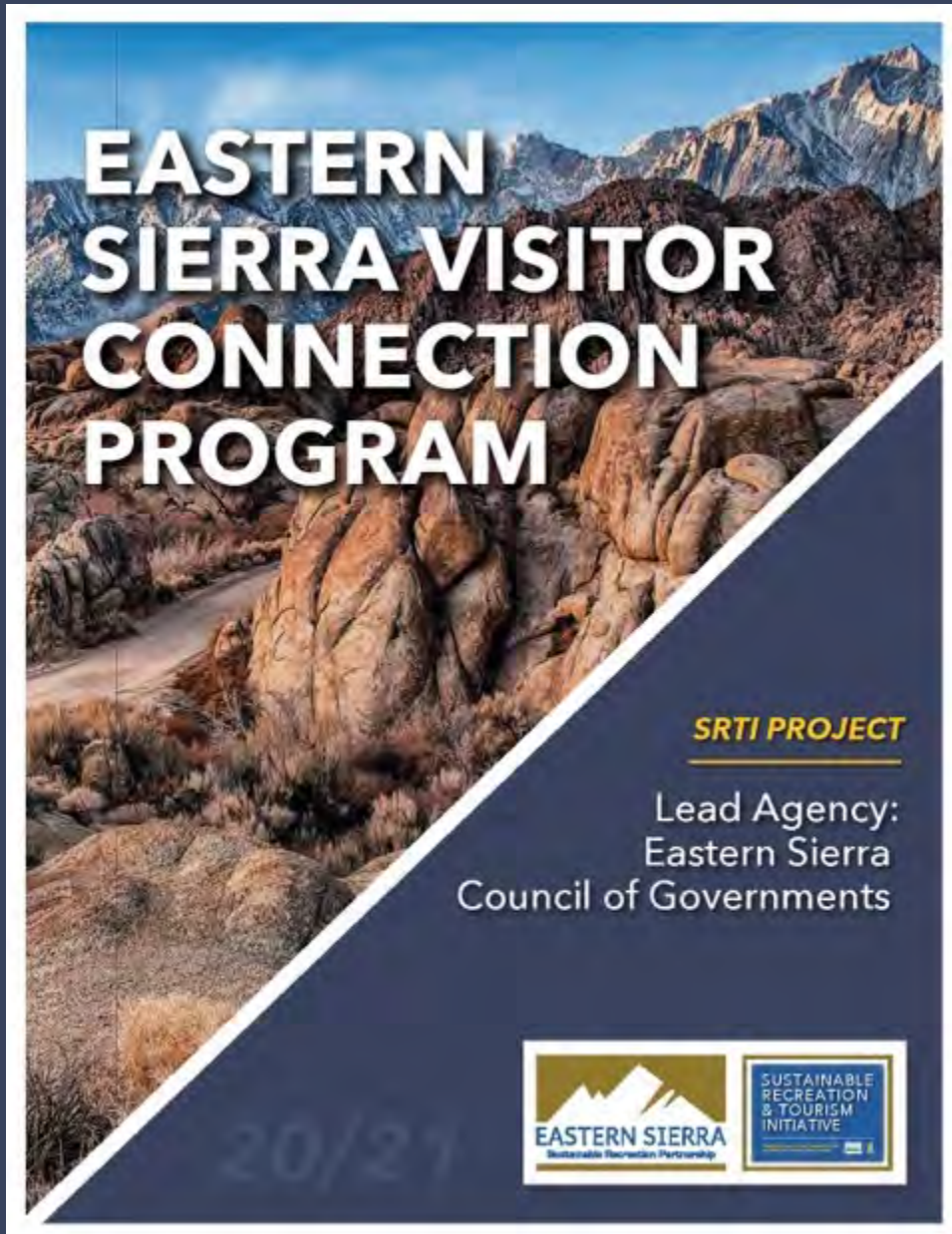
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Regional Updates: ESCOG Updates from June 26

- Approve Fiscal Year 2024-2025 ESCOG Budget
- Receive a Presentation on the Towns-to-Trails Plan
- Receive a Presentation from Peter Fulks, Cerro Coso Community College Public Services Department Chair, regarding the Sustainable Outdoor Recreation Leadership Program
- Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Institute for Local Government and the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments for the Provision of Strategic Planning Services and Set Date for Strategic Plan meeting
- Receive an update from Scott Armstrong, Regional Broadband Coordinator, on the BEAD Challenge Process
- Receive update on Sierra Jobs First Draft Strategic Plan

Regional Updates: Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Projects

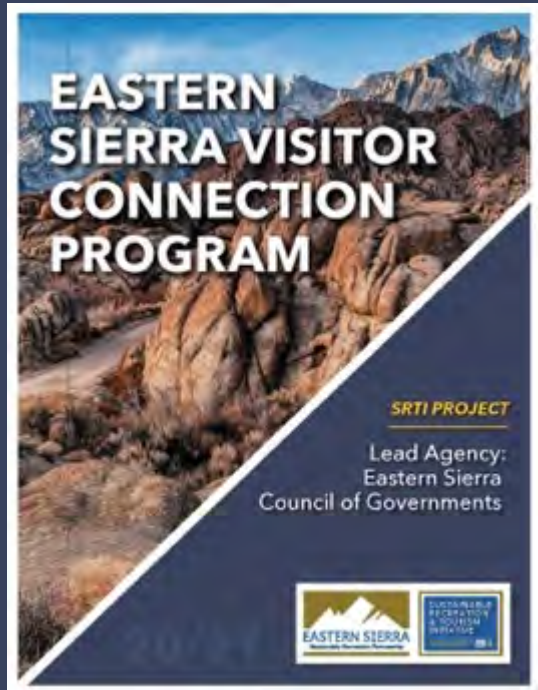




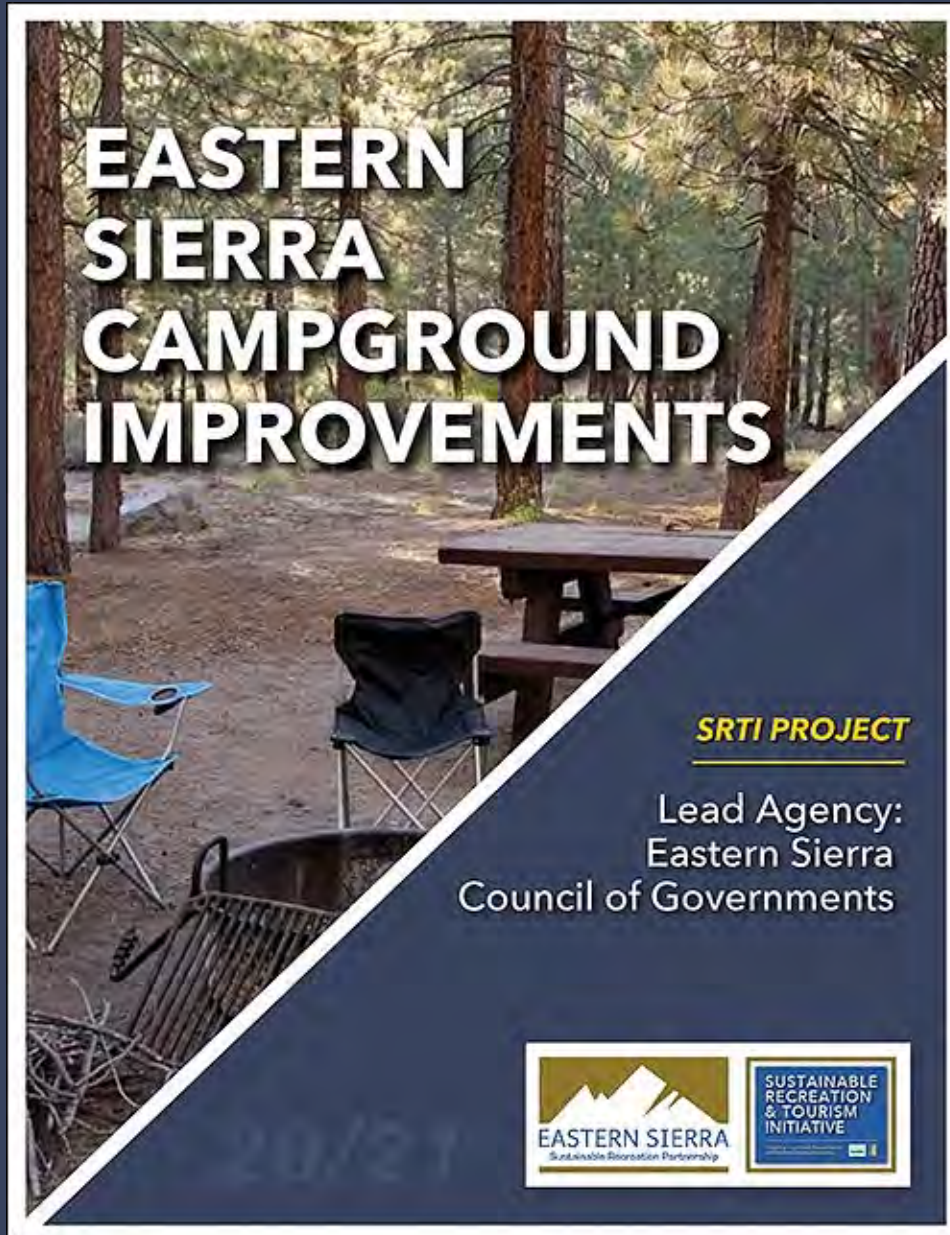
Visitor Audience Connection

- MLTPA + Whitebark Staff have signed an agreement including:
 - CALFIRE "Visitor Education and Outreach Addendum"
 - Opportunities with "Camp Like A Pro"
 - Needs of "Visitor Connection Program"

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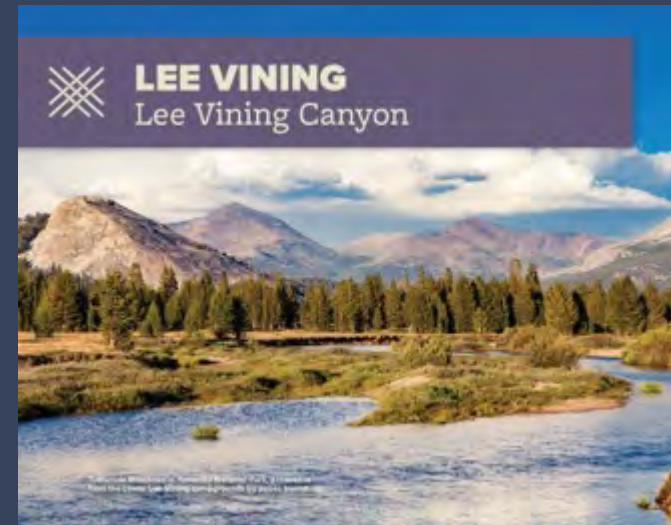
**EASTERN
SIERRA
CAMPGROUND
IMPROVEMENTS**

SRTI PROJECT

Lead Agency:
Eastern Sierra
Council of Governments

EASTERN SIERRA
Sustainable Recreation Partnership

**SUSTAINABLE
RECREATION &
TOURISM
INITIATIVE**



Triad / Holmes Associates, Inc.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

This Independent Contractor Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into, on the date of the signature dated last below (the "Effective Date"), by and between the Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access Foundation ("MLTPA"), a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, whose principal place of business is P.O. Box 100, PMB 432, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546 and the independent contractor, Triad/Holmes Associates, Inc. ("Contractor", collectively referred to with MLTPA as the "Parties" and each individually as a "Party"), whose principal place of business is 873 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514.

In consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **Services.** During this Agreement's Term (as defined in Section 3 below), Contractor agrees to provide services to MLTPA as described in Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Services"). Contractor will perform the Services in a diligent, careful, thorough, and professional manner consistent with customary practice and in compliance with applicable law. Contractor may use Contractor's employees or subcontractors to perform the services under this Agreement.

2. **Compensation and Expenses; Invoices and Payment.**

2.1 MLTPA will pay compensation to Contractor for performance of the Services as set forth in Exhibit A. Upon Contractor's submission of a signed Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 to MLTPA, MLTPA shall make payable any such compensation within thirty (30) days of receipt of an authorized and approved invoice from Contractor upon completion of the Services or as specified in Exhibit A. Any payment made pursuant to this paragraph shall be sent to Contractor's address stated above and deemed paid upon placement in U.S. Mail. Contractor shall provide MLTPA with no more than one (1) invoice per month.

2.2 MLTPA will not reimburse Contractor for out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Contractor in connection with performance of the Services, unless specified in Exhibit A.

2.3 Contractor will pay, when and as due, any and all taxes incurred as a result of Contractor's compensation, including, without limitation, any and all federal income taxes, territorial taxes, estimated taxes, or taxes imposed upon revenue or income by any governmental entity having taxing authority with respect to Contractor. MLTPA will not: (a) withhold taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act ("FICA") (e.g., Social Security, Medicare) from payments remitted by MLTPA to Contractor; (b) make FICA payments on Contractor's behalf; (c) make federal or state unemployment compensation contributions on Contractor's behalf; or (d) withhold federal or state income tax from payments remitted by MLTPA to Contractor.

3. **Term, Termination, and Survival.** This Agreement's term will begin on the Effective Date and will terminate upon completion of the Services set forth in Exhibit A or December 31, 2024, whichever occurs sooner ("Term"). Either Party may provide notice of termination of this Agreement at any time and for any reason with thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party has the option to terminate



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This Independent on the date of the signa Mammoth Lakes Trails a public benefit corporation Mammoth Lakes, CA 93 Triad/Holmes Associates, and each individually as Bishop, CA 93514.

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Brooks Bryant

RE: Campground Improvement Project

To: Kristy Williams, Cc: Chelsea Taylor, John Wentworth, Tom Platz & 2 more

Inbox - ...rth@mlipa.org June 10, 2024 at 10:06 AM

[Details](#)

Hi Kristy,

Let's get together today if possible re: invoicing. We are currently around 47k for time entry so we can invoice for the first grant installment. We have one more day of survey in Aspen Campground and then we can finish the map and get it to you guys. Similar timeline for Grey's CG as well. On track to get the maps to you guys by the end of the month.

Yes our field survey hours are on PW Rates and the office work is non-prevailing. We are happy to invoice you at the amount you specify for your payment flow from SNC, I know we had talked about the intricacies in our last meeting, and we are here to work with you guys to make sure it goes smoothly on your end. Feel free to give me a call at the office tomorrow to discuss.

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FS Agreement No. 24-CS-11050400-006

Cooperation Agreement No. _____

CHALLENGE COST SHARE AGREEMENT

Between
MLTPA FOUNDATION
And The
USDA, FOREST SERVICE
INYO NATIONAL FOREST

This CHALLENGE COST SHARE AGREEMENT is hereby made and entered into by and between the MLTPA Foundation, hereinafter referred to as "MLTPA," and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Forest Service, Inyo National Forest hereinafter referred to as the "U.S. Forest Service," under the authority: Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act of 1992, Pub. L. 102-154.

Background: The Inyo National Forest manages 80 campgrounds in the Eastern Sierra region. Many of them are long overdue for redesign and renovation to meet the needs of current visitors and to improve resilience to natural disturbances like floods and wildfires. Due to an acute lack of funding, the Inyo N.F. works with local partner organizations to pool resources to complete mutually beneficial projects.

Title: Great American Outdoors Act Inyo Campground Improvements

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agreement is to document the cooperation between the parties to complete design and engineering survey work needed to renovate six Inyo National Forest campgrounds in accordance with the following provisions and the hereby incorporated Statement of Work and Financial Plan, attached as Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

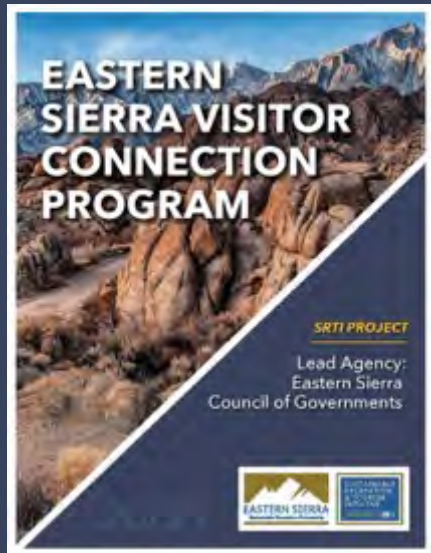
II. STATEMENT OF MUTUAL BENEFIT AND INTERESTS:

MLTPA creates sustainable trail and recreation systems that support prosperous economies and healthy communities in Mammoth Lakes, the Eastern Sierra, and beyond. MLTPA and the Inyo National Forest have a shared interest in renovating aging campgrounds to provide a quality visitor experience, protect natural resources, mitigate damage from climate-driven disturbances, and to support the local economy which depends on outdoor recreation tourism. Completing project designs is a precursor to the Forest Service being able to contract for the renovation of the six campgrounds.

In Consideration of the above premises, the parties agree as follows:



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Recreate Responsibly California



Hello Recreate Responsibly California Coalition Members,

As the scent of wildflowers fills the air and the trails beckon, it's time to dive into the latest updates from our recent gathering. From Earth Day triumphs to forthcoming summer adventures, our community is buzzing with activity and anticipation. Please read on as we delve into the highlights of our discussions and set our sights on the exciting events and initiatives ahead.

Education Campaigns

Wildfire Preparedness Week is May 4th - 10th. Federal and state partners are working together to launch an online campaign focused on wildland fire safety and prevention while recreating on public lands.

- [Take a look at the announcement](#) and join the social media campaign to #thinklikeafirefighter.
- Additionally, see [CAL FIRE's free app](#) on local alerts, preparedness checklists, and evacuation plan.

Catch Those Wildflowers! While we're anticipating the coming wildfire season it's not too late to see some wildflowers and appreciate Hilltromper's unique approach to encouraging responsible recreation. See the announcement and signup for [BloomTracker here](#).

Earth Day Celebration Successes Several members coordinated, hosted, and/or participated in Earth Day events. Below are just a couple of notable outcomes but congratulations and thanks to all the took part in activities!

News & Advocacy

California State Parks announced the opening of Dos Rios State Park! Located about 8 miles west of Modesto in the Central Valley, the approximately 1,600-acre Dos Rios property is the largest public-private floodplain restoration project in California to restore habitat for threatened and endangered wildlife at the Tuolumne and San Joaquin Rivers. This is the first new state park to open in 10 years. The opening day coincides with the launch of the [Third Annual State Parks Week June 12-16](#).

- [See the announcement!](#) to learn more about what makes this park special.

"America's Four Most Polluted National Parks are in California" Members shared [this recent article from the LA Times](#). While the focus of the article is on pollution in our parks, it also calls out the opportunity for parks to be a place of promise.

June 2024 is California Mountain Biking Month! Following the California Mountain Biking Coalition's (CAMTB) recent announcement of ACR 152, a bill they championed, which designates June 2024 as "California Mountain Biking Month", momentum has continued building. Notably, entities like East Bay Regional Park, San Diego Park District, and others in the LA County area are actively working to pass similar resolutions at the local level. **Scheduled for Assembly review on June 3, 2024**, this bill signifies a significant step forward for mountain biking and outdoor recreation enthusiasts across the state.

- **Call to Action** We encourage you to lend your support by standing alongside CAMTB members at the capital as they advocate for this resolution. Additionally, consider fostering awareness and enthusiasm by promoting June 2024 as Mountain Biking Month within your own community. [Explore the inspiring language of Assembly Concurrent Resolution 152](#), and perhaps utilize it as a blueprint for your local efforts in celebrating Mountain Biking Month next June

land conservation and stewardship; Tribal alliances and right relations; and securing significant and stable regional funding.

- Learn more and register [here](#).

Partner Updates – In REVERSE Alphabetical Order

- Town of Mammoth Lakes
- National Park Service
- Mono County
- Inyo National Forest, USFS
- Inyo County
- HT National Forest, USFS
- ESCOG
- City of Bishop
- CALTRANS
- BLM
- Alpine County

Next Meeting - First Monday of the Month @ 3:30

Thank You - !

Next Regular ESSRP Partner Meeting

Monday August 5, 2024 @ 3:30 PM