



What is it?

Geotourism - tourism
that sustains or enhances
the geographical character
of a place – its
environment, culture,
aesthetics, heritage, and
the well being of its
residents.



Why?

Protects the regions distinctive place through wisely managed tourism and encourages stewardship

Develops destination visitors who are more interested in conservation, local values, history and culture and who respect and care for local places Highlights local businesses, events, artisans and places

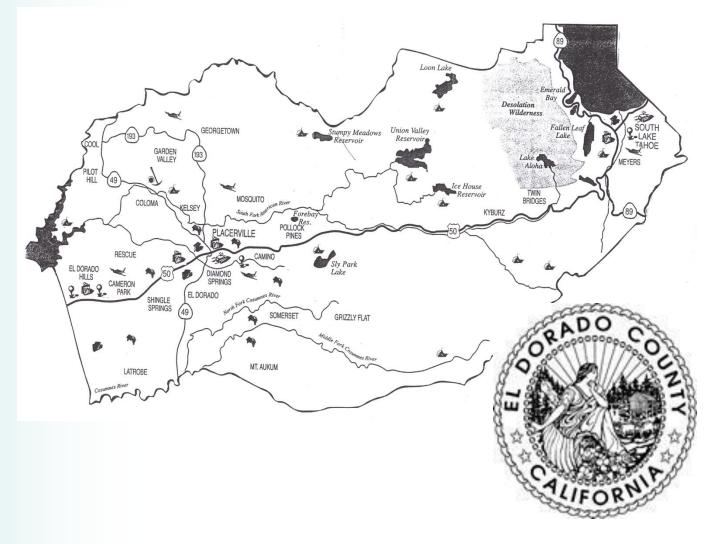
Good travel experiences contribute to sustainability of jobs

Promotes community pride, collaboration and involvement

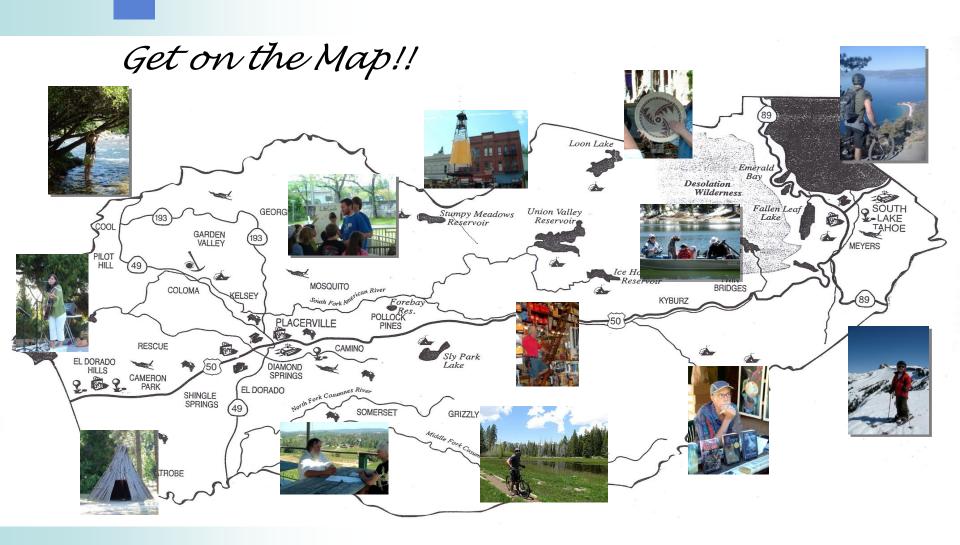


Who we are? What do we have?





How Identify our Geotourism Assets



What do you love and not want to lose?













www.SierraNevadaGeotourism.org

25 counties in the Sierra Nevada El Dorado County and the Yosemite Gateway region are already engaged





Discover what's special about the Sierra Nevada. Select a region and explore the communities, activities, flavors, and uncommon beauty of this extraordinary corner of California. You are still given a chance to tell your story and share your knowledge and experiences with residents and visitors of the Sierra Nevada region.



Matural Area

Nominate Now! Explore region on map. Submit Content



Horsetail Falls Yosemite

Horsetail Falls Yosemite Mational Park, located in Horsetail Fall Park, located in seasonal waterfall that runs for a few weeks during the winter and early spring, depending on snow melt. It falls off of the east side of...

Action Opportunities Be more than a passive traveler. There are many opportunities to volunteer and make a difference.

Yosemite Art and Education Center Educational Opportunity Great Sierra River Clean Up: Merced

Conservation Action

Mokelumne River Wild and Scenic Campaign Conservation Action



Rainbow Falls Falling over a sharp 101-foot drop, Rainbow Falls sends colorful rainbows in the mist. colorful rainbows in the mist.
Rainbow Falls is an easy 1.5
mile walk from the trailhead.
Rainbow Falls is a short two
miles downstream from... Read More

Frontier Pack Sation The Frontier Pack Station offers guided pack trips to the

magnificent Yosemite National magnificent Yosemite National Park and Ansel Adams/Minaret Wilderness. Explore some of nature's finest vacation spots in the Sierra ,... Read More

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Carson City

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Project Supporters

Experience the real voices of the Sierra Nevada through the many festivals and events.

Annual Mother Lode Round Up Parade and Rodeo 04/18/2010 - 05/09/2010

Opening Day of Fishing Season in Mono County 04/24/2010

Mariposa's Butterfly Festival

Develop Geotourism Assets



Build on character of place

 Base tourism on community assets



Sustain Your Geotourism Assets



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Protect what visitors and residents love about El Dorado County!



What's next?



Community awareness Develop partnerships

- Organizations
 - Website linkages, cross promotion
- Businesses
 - Ag tour, promote & purchase local products

Visitor awareness

- Summer promotions radio, print, social media, websites
- Summer event Aug 21 & 22