

Eldorado National Forest Reorganization Caring for the Land and Serving People



"I've asked my staff to take a look at how we can organize the forest more efficiently given the staffing and funding we have today. This is the right time to take a hard look at how we can best care for the land and serve people."

-Laurence Crabtree, Forest Supervisor

Purpose of Forest Reorganization

- 1. Provide more efficient customer service to local communities and the visiting public;
- 2. Decrease facility maintenance costs to allow more investment of taxpayer dollars into forest resource management;
- 3. Provide a safe and healthy environment for employees, volunteers, partners and forest users.

Why is this important for the Eldorado National Forest?

The Eldorado National Forest is adapting to change. There is a smaller workforce with diminishing budgets and a shift to accomplishing more work though partnerships in the areas of timber production, fuels reduction, restoration, and public services.

Forest staff are evaluating how to reorganize with less facilities, less personnel, less governmentowned-vehicles and more partnerships.

How will this affect the public?

All programs and services will continue, but we will be consolidating our operations. We expect to be organized into 3 ranger districts instead of 4 and to provide Visitor Information Services at 2 locations instead of 3 along Highway 50.

Next Steps

- This fall, the forest will begin moving Visitor Information Services at Pacific Ranger Station to the Placerville Ranger Station in Camino, including Desolation Wilderness permits.
- A variety of reorganization options are being considered with an anticipated forest recommendation in the next few months.
- Comments and questions can be submitted to: <u>ENFReorg@fs.fed.us</u>

Existing 4-District organization:



Proposed 3-District organization:



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