

Forest Service removes Six Rivers, Klamath from closure list

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The USDA Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region has revised closure orders and fire prohibitions in California. These decisions will continue to be evaluated daily.

The revisions include:

Forest Closures – Six Rivers and Klamath National Forests are no longer part of the regional closure orders but may have local restrictions. Check the websites, social media accounts, or call those respective forests for specific information on what may be opening.

Easing fire restrictions – Propane and gas stove use is now permitted on developed recreation sites on National Forests in California. Developed recreation sites are defined as areas which have been improved or developed for recreation such as campgrounds and day use sites.

Seven National Forests remain closed: Angeles, Cleveland, Los Padres, Inyo, San Bernardino, Sequoia and Sierra. This decision will continue to be reviewed daily, taking fire and weather conditions into account.

Eleven National Forests may be open to varying degrees. Visitors should contact the following National Forests for more information on their status: Eldorado, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta-Trinity, Stanislaus and Tahoe.

For additional questions, go to bit.ly/3iiofWb.

“We understand how important access to national forests is to our visitors,” said Randy Moore, Regional Forester for the USDA Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region. “As we evaluate fire and weather conditions on a daily basis, we will continue to make adjustments to ensure safe visitation. Our aim continues to prevent any new fires on the landscape.”

If you do intend to visit a National Forest that is open to visitors, we continue to recommend that you not travel long distances to recreate. If you or anyone in your household is feeling sick, please remain at home and plan your trip for another time. All visitors should practice self-sufficiency during your visits to national forests. Recreating responsibly will help ensure that expanded access to recreational facilities, services, and opportunities continues. Responsible recreation practices should be maintained at all times, including:

Maintaining at least six feet distancing from others

Do not gather in groups and please follow the latest guidance from officials

Communicate with others as you pass. Alert trail users of your presence and step aside to let others pass

Pack out your trash and leave with everything you bring in and use.

All services may not be available, so please plan accordingly.