



REGULAR PARTNER MEETING



August 7, 2023



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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.”



White Bark Institute

- Elizabeth Glazner - *Communications Manager*



Visit California /JLL

- Bethanie DeRose – *Senior Vice President Global Tourism & Destination Advisory JLL's Hotels & Hospitality Group*
- August 20 – August 27

Visit California's Regional Strategic Tourism Plans



REGIONAL STRATEGIC TOURISM PLANS

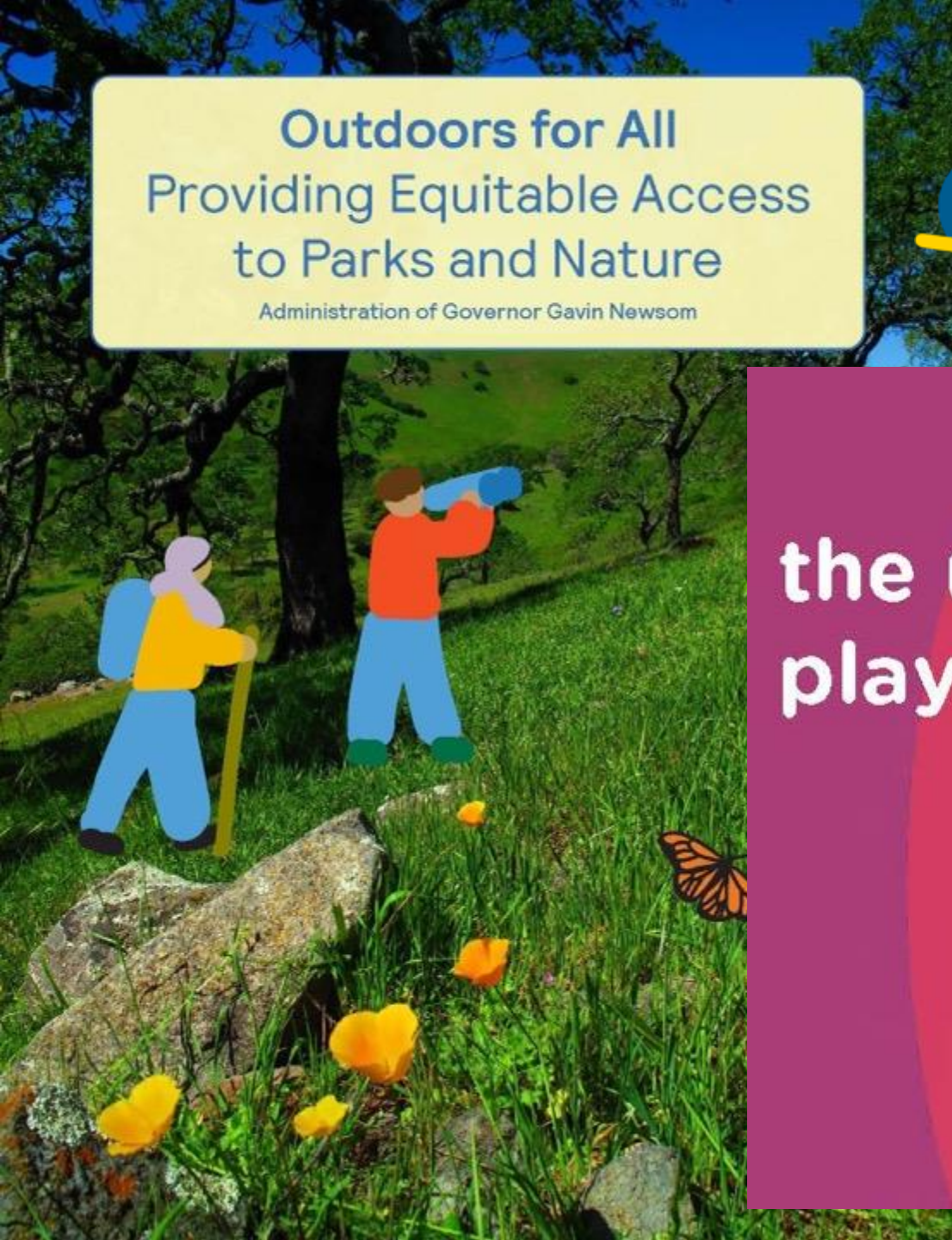
Outdoors for All
Providing Equitable Access
to Parks and Nature

Administration of Governor Gavin Newsom

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California

Our Next
Chapter

the ultimate
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VISIT CALIFORNIA

Regional Strategic Tourism Plans

September 21, 2022



Phase 4

Sustainability Evaluation: Scorecard Development and Contextualization

The unique requirements of different destinations and stakeholders suggest that no one-size-fits-all approach will ever do the job. Our process is unique in that it ties quantitative and qualitative destination Critical Success Factors to globally recognized standards for sustainability (the UNWTO's Sustainable Development Goals), ensuring consistency with global best practices and a practical framework for implementation.

Once all the indicators and assessment criteria are validated and finalized, we will conduct the CSF assessments with a wide group of state and regional tourism industry stakeholders, as well as other stakeholders at the intersection of tourism and sustainability (e.g., transportation, environment, infrastructure, housing, community).

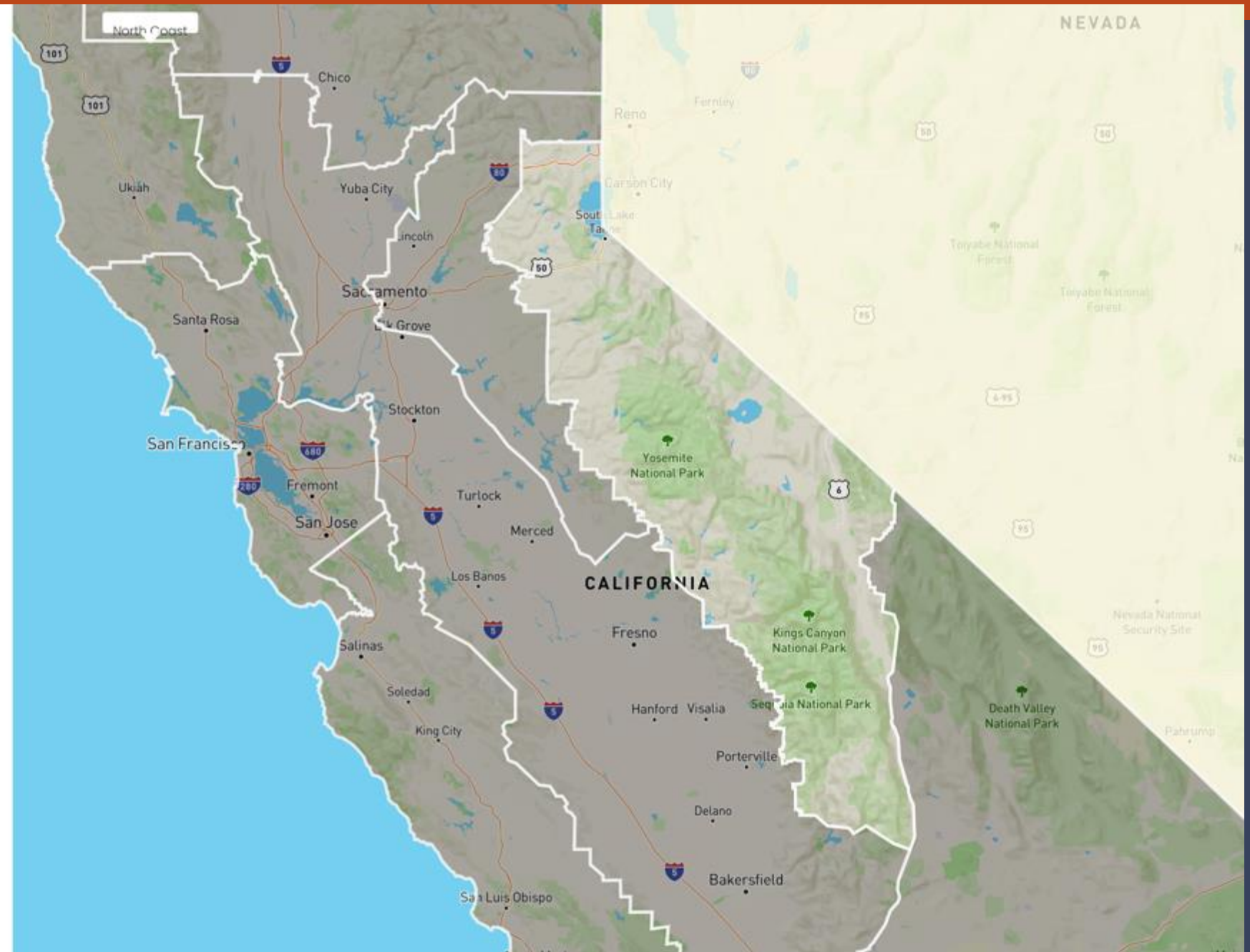


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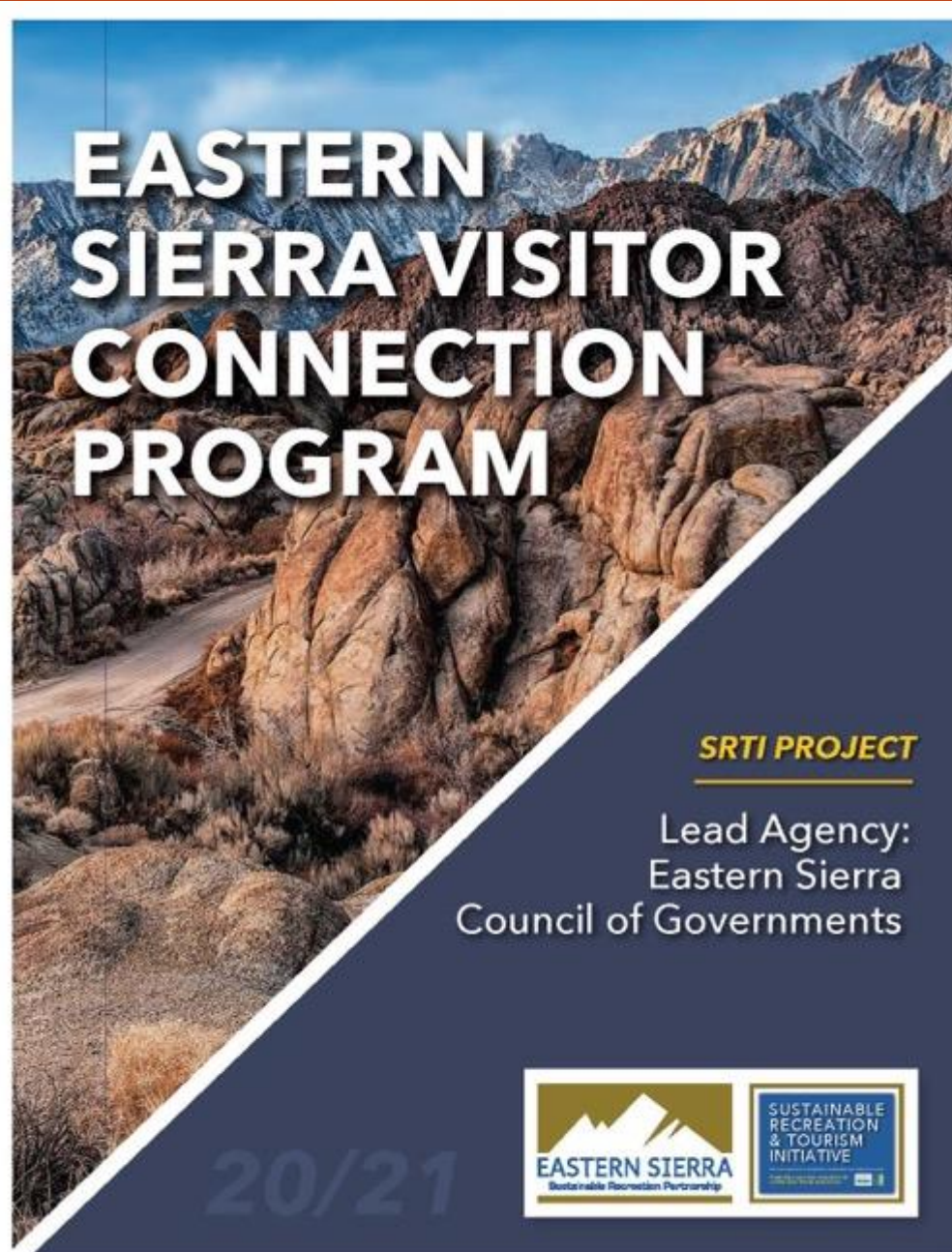
High Sierra visit California



Snow-covered peaks in winter, gushing waterfalls in spring, wildflower meadows and glistening lakes in summer, vibrant colors in fall—this is a land of dramatic and wild beauty. World-class mountain resorts circle turquoise-blue Lake Tahoe. Mammoth Lakes offers epic skiing and endless high-altitude delights. Yosemite National Park, a World Heritage Site, is more beautiful than you can imagine and absolutely worth a visit. Whether you hike a mountain, ski the steeps, or lounge in a hot tub beneath a canopy of stars, you'll find your perfect getaway.

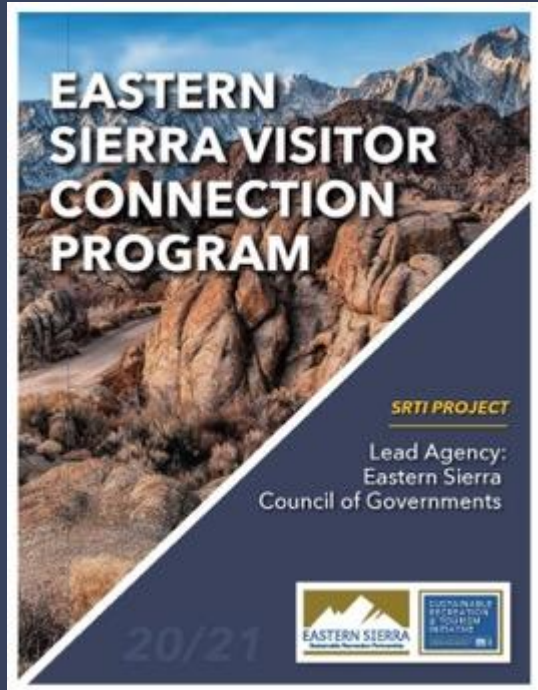


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- A regional voice for Sustainable Recreation and Stewardship in the Eastern Sierra
- 21st-century regional recreation identity for the Eastern Sierra
- Extensive stakeholder collaboration
- 28 representatives from regional organizations
- 8 facilitated meetings over 14 months

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In Region Guests



Congressman Kevin Kiley

- U.S. representative for California's 3rd congressional district since 2023
- Tri County Fair
 - August 31 – September 3



State Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil

- Represents California's 4th State Senate district in the California State Senate following her election in the 2022 California State Senate election.
- Tri County Fair
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In Region Guests



Tri-County Fair 2023! Eastern Sierra Tri-County Fair is guaranteed to be the BEST FOUR DAYS OF SUMMER. It's a time to showcase and celebrate the talents and achievements of our local communities. Entering projects in the Fair Exhibits Competition allows you the opportunity to showcase your efforts and creative talents. We encourage all talents and all ages to enter one project next year!

New entertainment line-up will be exciting with something for everyone. Your work is a very important part of the Fair's celebration and we look forward to placing your talent on display. We encourage you to enter and begin making lasting memories for yourself, and for the thousands of our Fair patrons! Good luck to all exhibitors.

Don't miss the best Concerts of the year, Western Rodeo, Horse Show AND of course the Demolition Derby!

[GET YOUR TICKETS NOW](#)

Details

Start:

August 31

End:

September 3

Venue

Bishop Tri-County Fairgrounds

1234 Sierra St
Bishop, CA 93514 United
States

[+ Google Map](#)

Phone:

760-873-3580



Reschedule September Meeting

Next Regular ESSRP Partner Meeting

Monday Sept. 4 - ?, 2023 @ 3:30 PM

Monday Sept. 11 - ?, 2023 @ 3:30 PM

Update ESSRP Meeting Invitation and Zoom Link

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Save

More actions

Aug 7, 2023

3:30pm

to

5:00pm

Aug 7, 2023

(GMT-07:00) Pacific Time - Los Angeles

Time zone

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All day

Monthly on the first Monday

Event Details

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Add Google Meet video conferencing

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ESSRP MOU - Updates

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FED: CEDS “Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy”

2023

Upcoming Events of Regional Interest

2023-2028 EASTERN SIERRA REGION COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDs)

June 29, 2023

SUBMITTED TO:

**GOLDEN STATE
FINANCE AUTHORITY**

SUBMITTED BY:  **TPMA**

EASTERN SIERRA REGION CEDs SUBMITTED BY TPMA

reported margin for error. Such is the case with Alpine County, California³. Because Alpine County is only one of three counties presented in much of the data sets and estimates below, the effect on the overall accuracy is not necessarily problematic. However, in situations where only Alpine's estimates are presented, the uncertainty in this data should be considered.

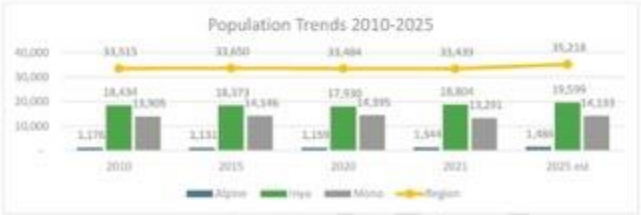


Figure 1: Eastern Sierra Region Population Trends, 2010-2025 (est). Sources: ACS/Lightcast Q1 2023.

Age

The population pyramid in Figure 2 contains the population, gender, and age distribution estimates for the three-county region. Of note is the 20+ percent of the population that is older than the "retirement age" of 65. Adding individuals 55-64 years old who are "approaching retirement" brings the number of individuals over 55 years to 36.44% of the population. This is ten percentage points higher than the statewide average. For context, there are fewer individuals between 25 and 54 years of age in the region of Alpine, Inyo, and Mono counties than over 55 years of age.

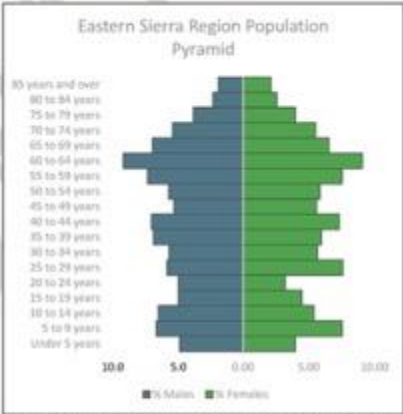
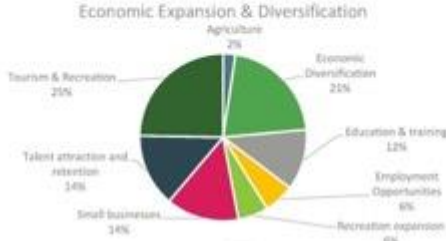


Figure 2: Eastern Sierra Population Pyramid. Source: 2021 ACS 5-Year Estimates.

³ For example, the estimated 2021 population for Alpine County is 1,344, but the Margin of Error (MoE) is stated as a plus or minus 228. This means that the ACS estimates with 95% certainty that Alpine County's population is somewhere between 1,116 and 1,572. These high MoEs suggest a relatively large uncertainty in the accuracy of the data presented.

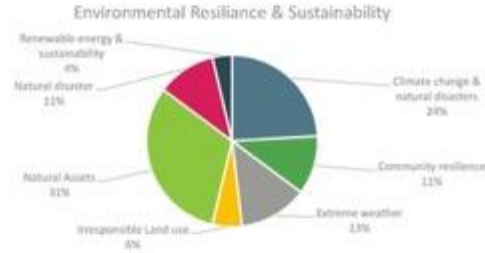
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Theme 3: Economic Expansion & Diversification



With the undisputed asset of a healthy outdoor recreation and tourist economy, regional leaders want to leverage the industry's benefits for economic growth while pursuing opportunities for economic diversification in pursuit of increased economic resiliency. The Eastern Sierra region has the opportunity to determine current and future needs of existing businesses and develop programs and policies to address those needs. This can lead to employment growth through business expansion and industry diversification by encouraging business growth that aligns with regional strengths and opportunities.

Theme 4: Environmental Resilience & Sustainability



With a robust inventory of natural assets to protect, frequent exposure to natural hazards, and a population accustomed to persevering and "bouncing back," environmental resilience and sustainability was discussed across SWOT components. The Eastern Sierra's key economic strengths are inextricably tied to the protection of the region's natural assets, making much of the conversation around Environmental Resilience and Sustainability about emergency preparedness, hazard mitigation, and threat minimization.



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These guidelines have been developed to assist economic development practitioners with the development or update of a CEDS. As a collection of tools and examples, they are intended to be aspirational in nature and should not be construed as additional requirements.

Events of Regional Interest

The updated draft Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is now published and live on the ESCOG website:

ESCOG homepage: <https://escog.ca.gov/>

ESCOG project page: <https://escog.ca.gov/community-economic-resilience-fund>

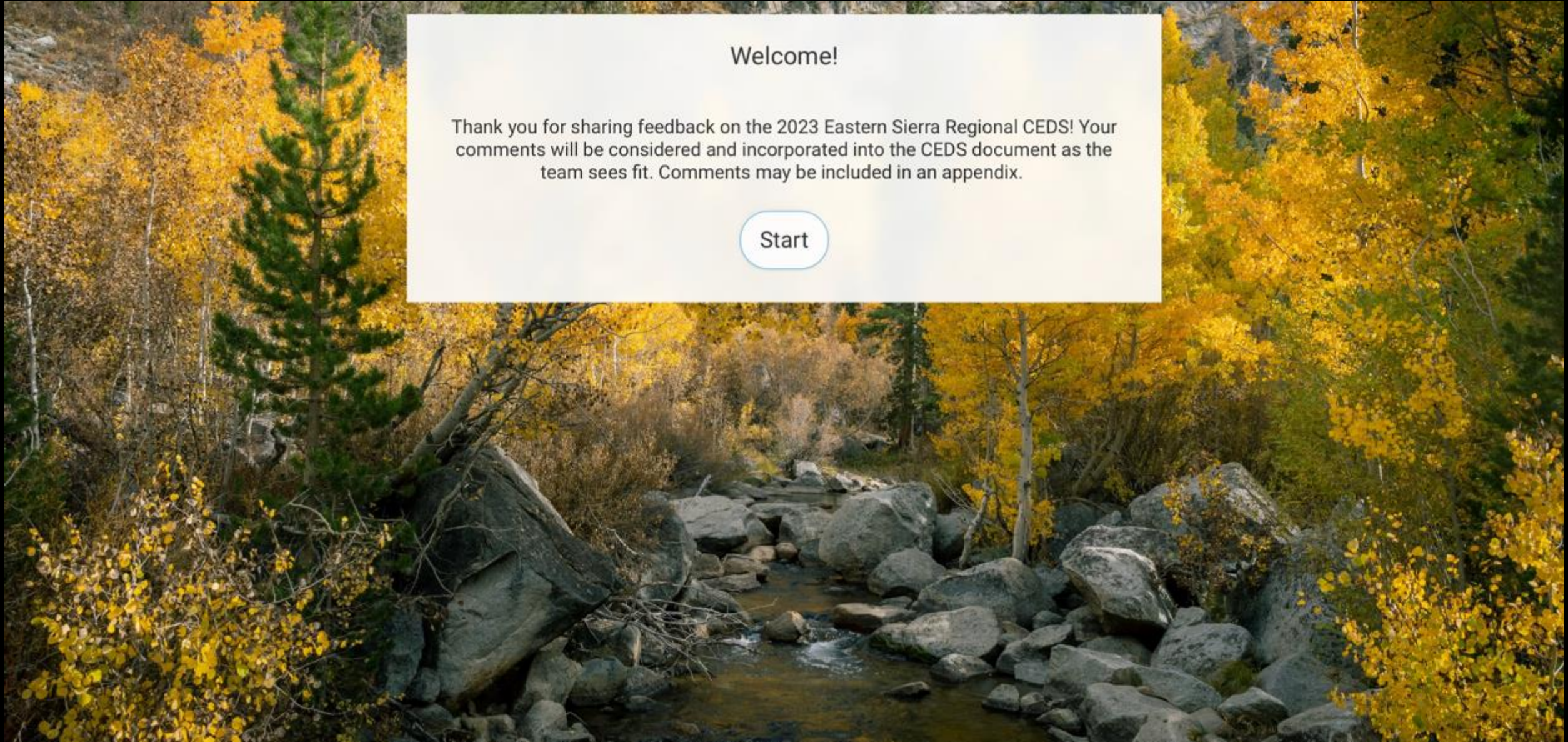
Public comment on this document is now underway and will end on August 30th.

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Welcome!

Thank you for sharing feedback on the 2023 Eastern Sierra Regional CEDS! Your comments will be considered and incorporated into the CEDS document as the team sees fit. Comments may be included in an appendix.

Start





STATE: CERF

“Community Economic Resiliency Fund”

2023



CERF – August Meetings and Milestones



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COMMUNITY ECONOMIC RESILIENCE FUND

The Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) is a statewide program that was created to promote a sustainable and equitable recovery from the economic distress of COVID-19 by supporting new plans and strategies to diversify local economies and develop sustainable industries that create high-quality, broadly accessible jobs for all Californians.

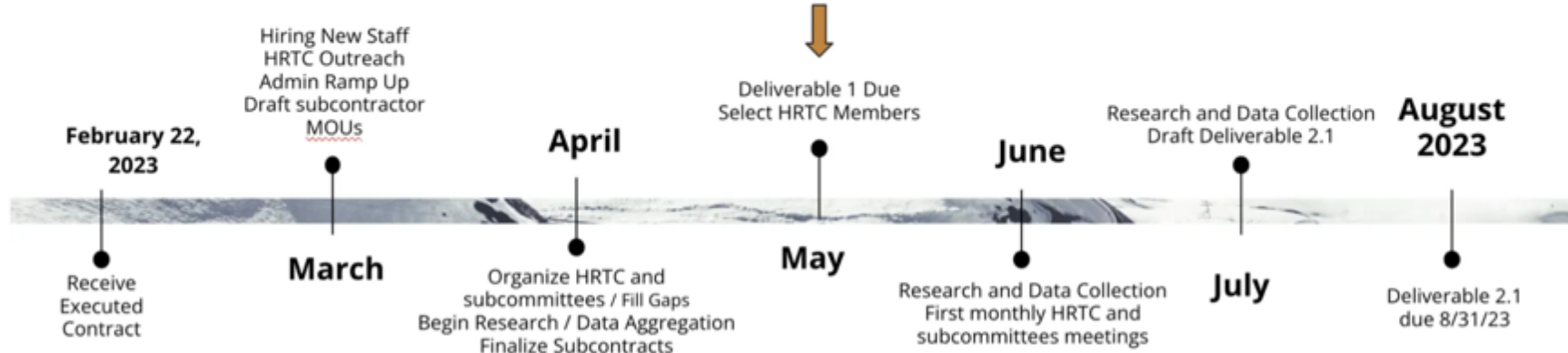
SBC is now under contract with the State of California to serve as the convener and fiscal agent for the Eastern Sierra region, which includes Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Alpine, Inyo, and Mono counties.

This critical grant will shape our future industries, diversify our economy, and provide for a better quality of life for all who call this region home. **We're looking forward to working together on both the challenges and opportunities presented by CERF.**

For Eastern Sierra CERF-related inquiries in Spanish, please reach out directly to SBC's Eastside CERF Project Navigator, Magnolia Barra, by emailing mbarra@sierrabusiness.org or calling 530-582-4800 ext 124.

CERF Timeline: Where are we at in this process?

CERF Timeline (*shortened to 13-14 month process*)



* Deliverable 1: Planning Phase Plan

* Deliverable 2.1: Regional Summary

CERF – August Meetings and Milestones

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What's next?

Scheduling HRTC and subcommittee meetings and drafting Regional Summary: Part 1 (due Aug. 31)

Now that we have held our first HRTC meeting, our team is focused on convening the Eastern Sierra CERF subcommittees and finalizing our meeting schedules. We will also be working on an important deliverable to the state, a Regional Summary (Part 1) of the Eastern Sierra CERF Region that is due August 31st.

SBC and our partners have divided up the following components of Regional Summary Part 1:

- Stakeholder Mapping – SBC
- Current Economic Development Status (Challenges/Barriers/On going work, etc) – SBC & North State
- Current Economic Analysis (cost of living, average wages, employment in industries/sectors present in the region, etc) – SBC & North State
- Public Health Analysis – Redwood Coast
- Climate Projection Data – SBC (will also provide this data to North State and Redwood Coast)
- Pollution Burden Data – SBC (will also provide this data to North State and Redwood Coast)
- Labor Market Analysis – North State
- Industry Clusters (existing, potential, growth opportunities, etc) – North State
- Current Workforce Education and Training – North State
- Regional SWOT Analysis – SBC

We are also planning to host a virtual session for the HRTC after the EDD listening session on the CERF Catalyst Program to share our takeaways from the program and get the HRTC's feedback for our comment letter.

[HRTC GOVERNANCE DOCS](#)[SIGN UP FOR UPDATES](#)

CERF – August Meetings and Milestones

<	August 2023					>
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
					CERF Workforce, Education & Training Subcommittee	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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	Walker Focus Group Bridgeport Focus Group			August HRTC Meeting @ Sonora MLJT Eastern Sierra HRTC		

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Project Identification Subcommittee

Meeting Agenda - Eastern Sierra CERF

Date: 8/9/23

- Introductions
 - Name, County, Organization, Something you love about the region
- Brief CERF overview
- HRTC Governance Structure
 - Where the PI Subcommittee comes in
- PI Subcommittee Goals & Objectives
- PI Subcommittee Tasks & Timelines
- Existing Projects Discussion
 - Vision, Capacity, Funding
 - Existing projects collection can begin
 - What needs might not be eligible for CERF funding?
 - Priority Industry Sector Discussion
 - Emerging Industries & sustainable economic drivers
 - Any others to consider?
 - Regional SWOT Discussion
 - Using the SWOT to prioritize projects
 - Next Steps



TOWNS TO TRAILS PLAN

INYO COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING



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INYO COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING

In Person Meeting

Monday, August 21, 2023 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM



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MONO COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING



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MONO COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING

In Person Meeting

Wednesday, August 23, 2023 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM



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ALPINE COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING



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ALPINE COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING

In Person Meeting

Thursday, August 24, 2023 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM

BIRPI – In Person Stakeholder Meetings



BIRPI – In Person Stakeholder Meetings



In Person Meeting

Tuesday, August 22, 2023 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM

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The Washington Post

The world just got its first real taste of what life is like at 1.5 degrees Celsius

July was the warmest month on record, and it won't be the last

Shannon Osaka



A saguaro cactus decays in the Sonoran Desert near Apache Junction, Ariz., on Wednesday. The cactuses are threatened by a number of issues linked to climate change and are under increased stress from extreme heat during Arizona's brutal summer heat wave. (Mario Tama/Getty Images)

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Summer of record-breaking heat paints story of a warming world, scientists say

Science Jul 22, 2023 2:33 PM EDT

The summer of 2023 is behaving like a broken record about broken records.

Nearly every major climate-tracking organization proclaimed June **the hottest June ever**. Then **July 4 became the globe's hottest day**, albeit unofficially, according to the University of Maine's Climate Reanalyzer. It was quickly overtaken by **July 5 and July 6**. Next came the hottest week, a tad more official, stamped into the books by the World Meteorological Organization and the Japanese Meteorological Agency.

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Phoenix on track to break record for weeks of extreme heat

Nation Jul 18, 2023 11:38 AM EDT

PHOENIX (AP) — Phoenix's relentless streak of dangerously hot days was finally poised to smash a record for major U.S. cities on Tuesday, the 19th straight day the desert city was to see temperatures soar to 110 degrees Fahrenheit (43.3 C) or more.

READ MORE: [How to stay cool and safe during a heat wave](#)

Nighttime has offered little relief from the brutal temperatures. Phoenix's low of 95 F (35 C) on Monday was its highest overnight low ever, topping the

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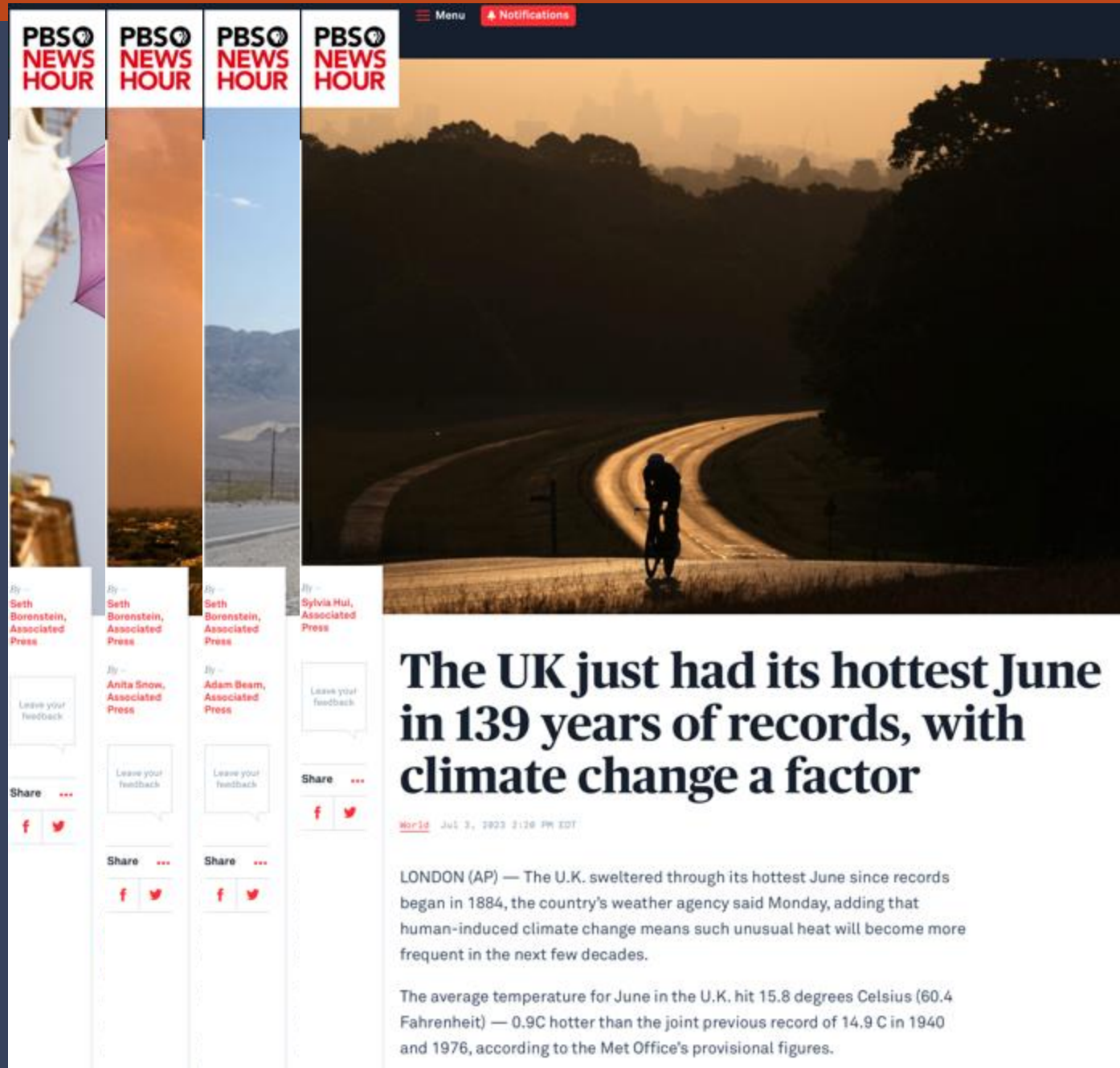
California's Death Valley sizzles near record temperatures as brutal heat wave continues

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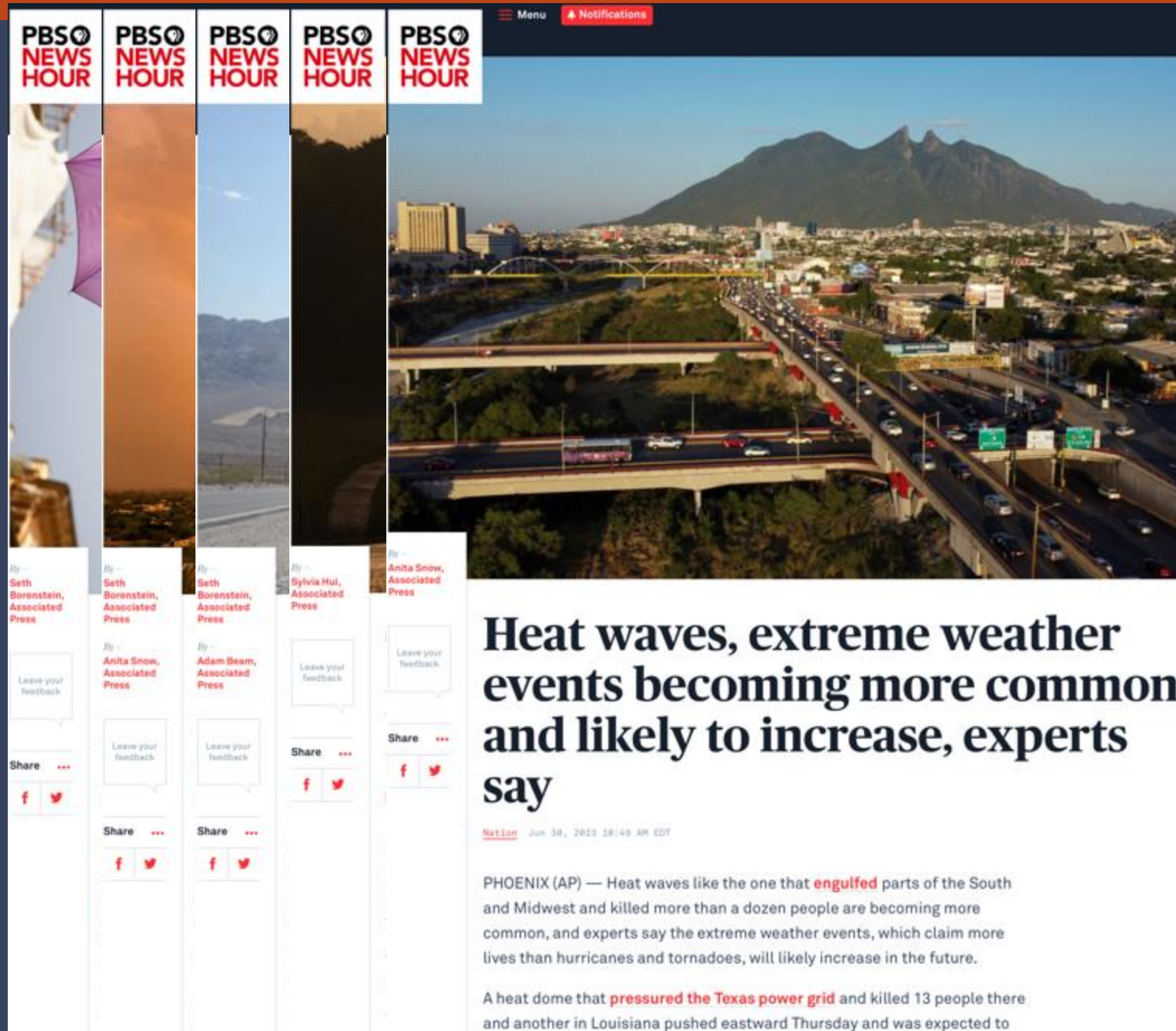
Long the hottest place on Earth, Death Valley put a sizzling exclamation point Sunday on a record warm summer that is baking nearly the entire globe by flirting with some of the hottest temperatures ever recorded, meteorologists said.

Temperatures in Death Valley, which runs along part of central California's border with Nevada, were forecast to reach 128 degrees (53.33 degrees Celsius) on Sunday at the aptly named Furnace Creek, the National Weather

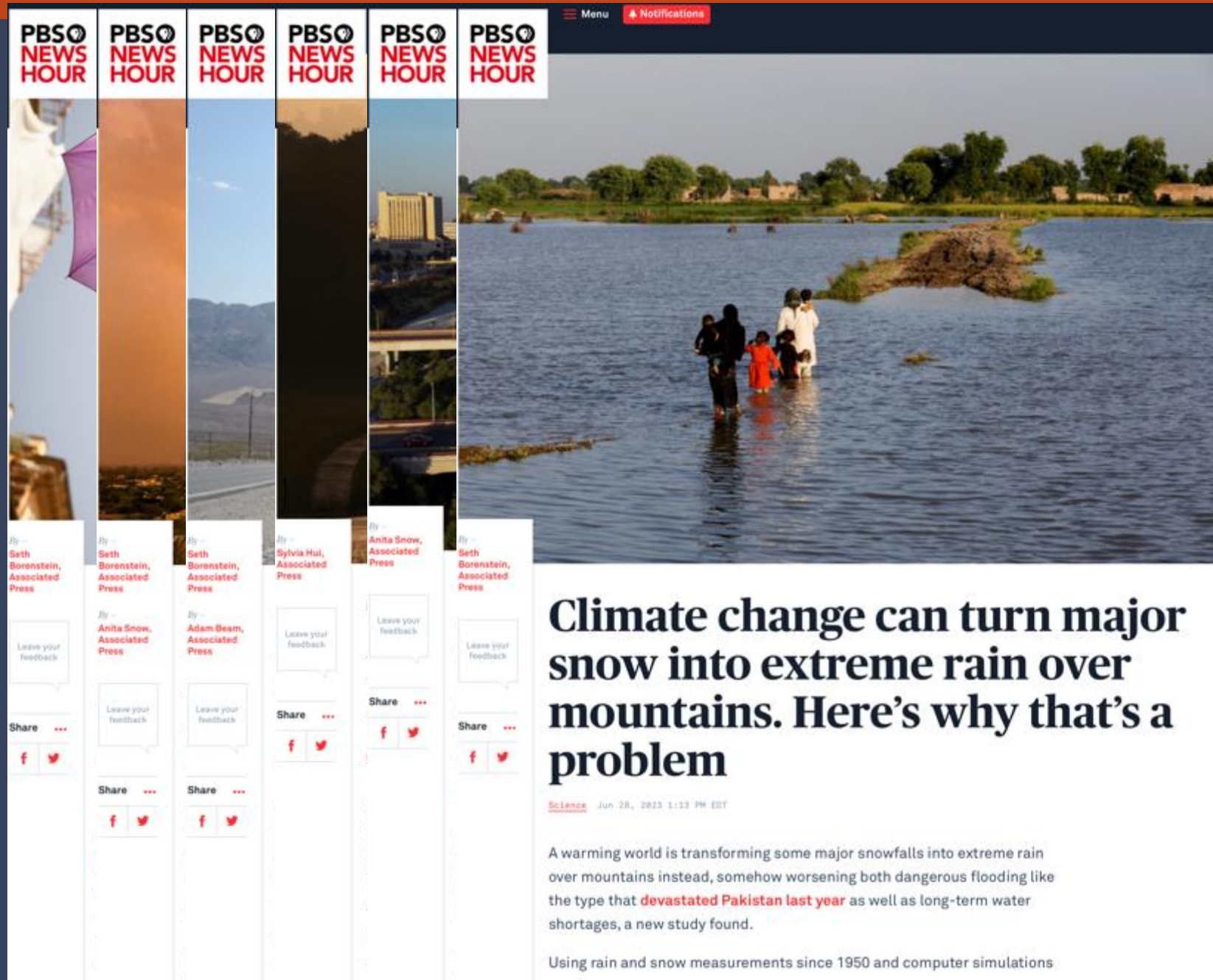
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LADWP Crews Successfully Manage Over 325 billion gallons of Water Flowing from Historic Eastern Sierra Snowpack

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LADWP developed a detailed water operation plan to maximize the beneficial use of the runoff water for its operations, customers, and environmental responsibilities, and reduce impacts to public and private property throughout the Owens Valley region.

LOS ANGELES (August 3, 2023) – On April 1, 2023, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) announced a record snowpack of 296% of normal for the Eastern Sierra making 2023 one of – if not the largest – snowpack year on record in California, eclipsing other big water years like 1952, 1983, 2017, and surpassing the Department's 1969 record that measured at an estimated 270% of normal.

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The New York Times

OPINION
GUEST ESSAY

It's August. Californians Are Still Skiing. Don't Ask.

Aug. 6, 2023, 6:00 a.m. ET



Symon McVilly

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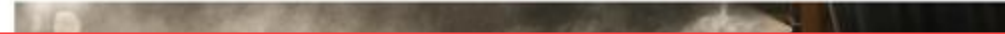
This weekend, while I squeeze into a thick winter wet suit for a cold-water surf in foggy San Francisco — and while my cousin in Phoenix goes rock climbing indoors to escape 115-degree heat — hordes of Californians are smearing pink and yellow zinc oxide on noses, shoving feet into hard plastic ski boots and gliding over to the lifts at Mammoth Mountain for yet another day on the slopes. A reminder: It's August.



Symon McVilly

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Earth hit an unofficial record high temperature this week – and stayed there



The entire planet sweltered for the two unofficial hottest days in human recordkeeping Monday and Tuesday, according to University of Maine scientists at the Climate Reanalyzer project. The unofficial heat records come after months of unusually hot conditions due to climate change and a strong El Nino event.

Photo/Charlie Riedel)

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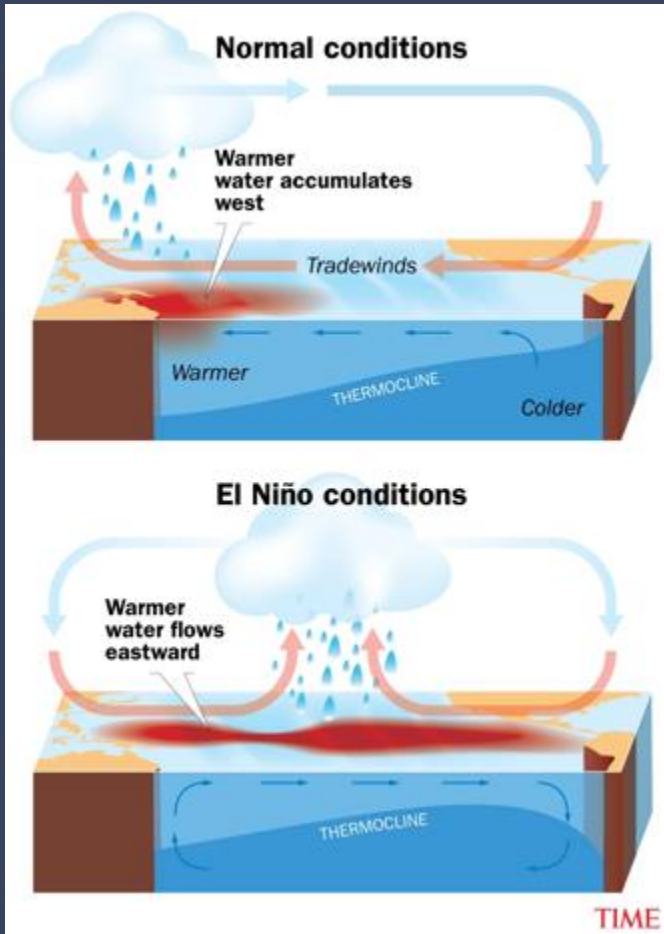
Lucas Harrington, age 7, cools off in a mister at Kauffman Stadium as temperatures approach 100 degrees fahrenheit before a baseball game between the Kansas City Royals and the Cleveland Guardians, Wednesday, June 28, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. The entire planet sweltered for the two unofficial hottest days in human recordkeeping Monday and Tuesday, according to University of Maine scientists at the Climate Reanalyzer project. The unofficial heat records come after months of unusually hot conditions due to climate change and a strong El Nino event. (AP Photo/Charlie Riedel)

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EL NIÑO WINTER PATTERN



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El Niño is likely returning, bringing danger for California and the world. 'We need to be prepared'

By Hayley Smith Staff Writer May 19, 2023 Updated 10:01 AM PT



The return of strong El Niño conditions could mean a second wet winter for California, among global impacts. Here a man pushes his stalled car from the southbound 101 Freeway in Montecito during a heavy downpour in early January.

(Michael Owen Baker / For The Times)

June 2023 ENSO update: El Niño is here

El Niño conditions have developed, as the atmospheric response to the warmer-than-average tropical Pacific sea surface kicked in over the past month. [We expect El Niño to continue into the winter](#), and the odds of it becoming a strong event at its peak are pretty good, at 56%. Chances of at least a moderate event are about 84%.

El Niño—the warm phase of the [El Niño-La Niña climate pattern](#)—changes global atmospheric circulation in known ways, giving us an idea of potential upcoming weather and climate patterns. A stronger El Niño means global temperature, rain, and other patterns are more likely to reflect the expected El Niño impacts. I'll get into some of the details of those impacts later in this post.

The circus is in town

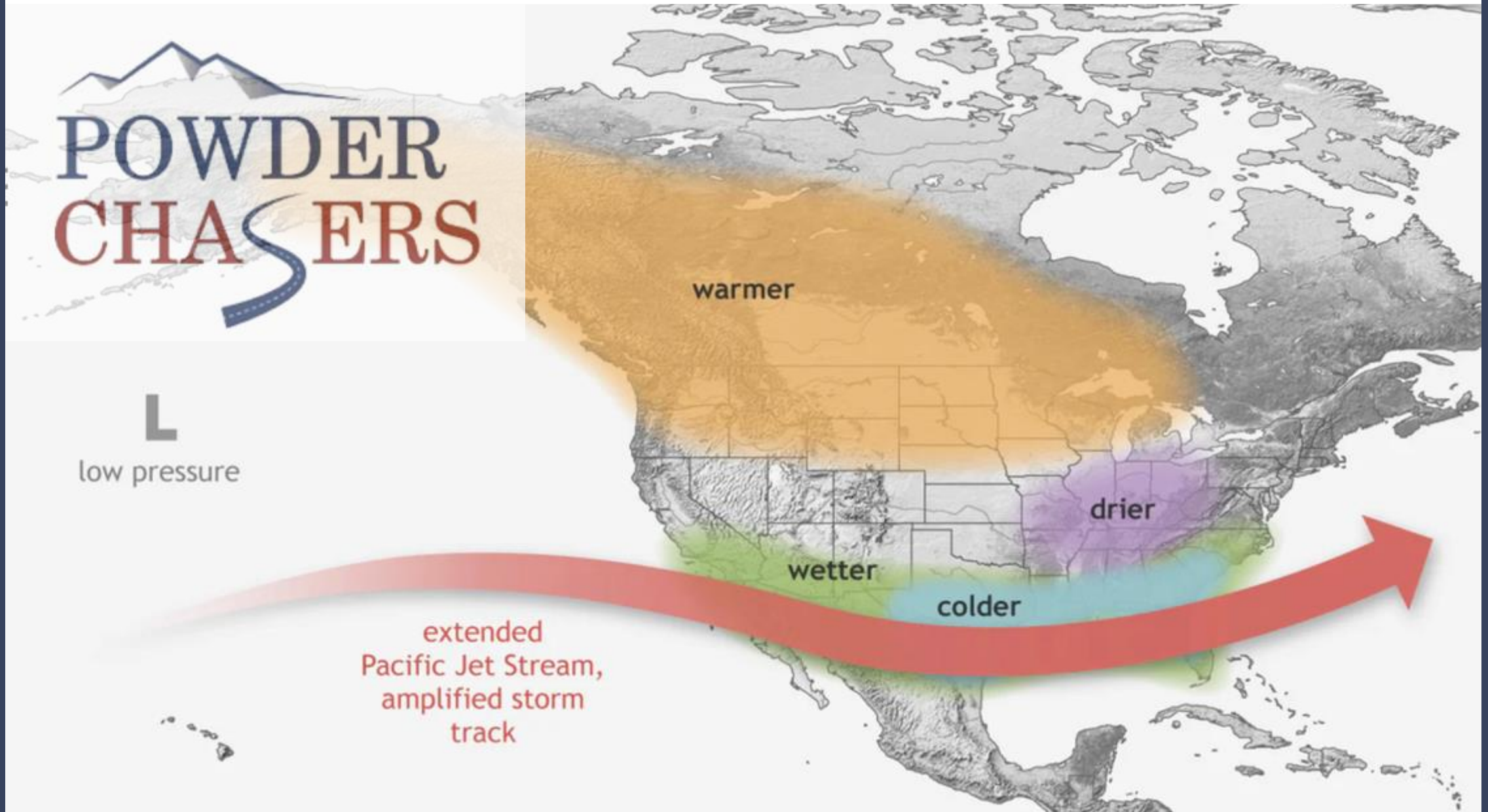
El Niño conditions are present when we have met all the criteria of our decision tree.



Summary of NOAA decision process in determining El Niño conditions. NOAA Climate.gov drawing by Glen Becker and Fiona Martin.

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2023-24 El Niño Winter Forecast: A Southern Shift for Snowfall in North America



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Recreation Knowledge Sharing Workshop

This workshop will create a space for partners and USDA Forest Service staff to come together, illuminate shared interests, build connections, and provide input critical to Reimagine Recreation, the Forest Service's national strategic planning effort.

Please join us to talk through important national-level issues, share your experiences, learn from others and reimagine the future of outdoor recreation.

📅 July 18, 19 & 20, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. ET

📍 Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting

[Registration Form](#)

Please register by 7/14

SESSIONS

- ELEVATING THE RECREATION WORKFORCE**
Empowering agency staff, partners, and volunteers through teamwork, training, tools and other support.
- EQUITY AND ACCESS IN ACTION**
Designing and executing actions to further diversity and inclusion.
- CROSS-BOUNDARY COLLABORATION**
Breaking down barriers to plan and manage recreation more efficiently and collaboratively.
- FROM RECREATION TO CONSERVATION**
Leveraging the power and passion of recreationists to advance conservation goals and practices.
- 21ST CENTURY COMMUNICATION**
Innovating ideas to improve data, information sharing, and digital access.
- REFLECTIONS AND TAKEAWAYS**
Reflecting on what has been shared. Carrying key messages forward.

Organized by USDA Forest Service

Supported by The National Forest Foundation, Outdoor Recreation Roundtable, Next 100 Coalition, TreadLightly!, Leave No Trace, Society of Outdoor Recreation Professionals, Outdoor Alliance, and American Trails



PURPOSE

- Share knowledge and learn from one another's experiences working on complex recreation challenges and opportunities on lands managed by the USDA Forest Service.
- Inspire solution-focused brainstorming on recreation issues ripe for national-level action by both partners and the Forest Service.
- Create a space for partners and staff to dissolve barriers to collaboration, illuminate shared interests, and improve communication.

PARTICIPATION

This workshop is intended for USDA Forest Service employees, partners, Federal and State agencies, and other organizations interested in the management of outdoor recreation on public lands. To allow as many organizations as possible to participate, we ask that no more than 1-2 individuals from your organization attend each session. This will allow us to bring diverse perspectives to every session and dialogue. Full participation for the entire 3-day event is encouraged but not required.

Space is limited. Event registration is free and [advance registration](#) is greatly appreciated. Please indicate which sessions you plan to attend on the registration form. A meeting invite will be sent to you via email prior to July 18.

Live captioning will be provided during this event. For information about assistive technology and alternative format requests, please contact Nora Campbell, USDA Forest Service Strategic Planner, at Nora.Campbell2@usda.gov.

AGENDA - All times Eastern.

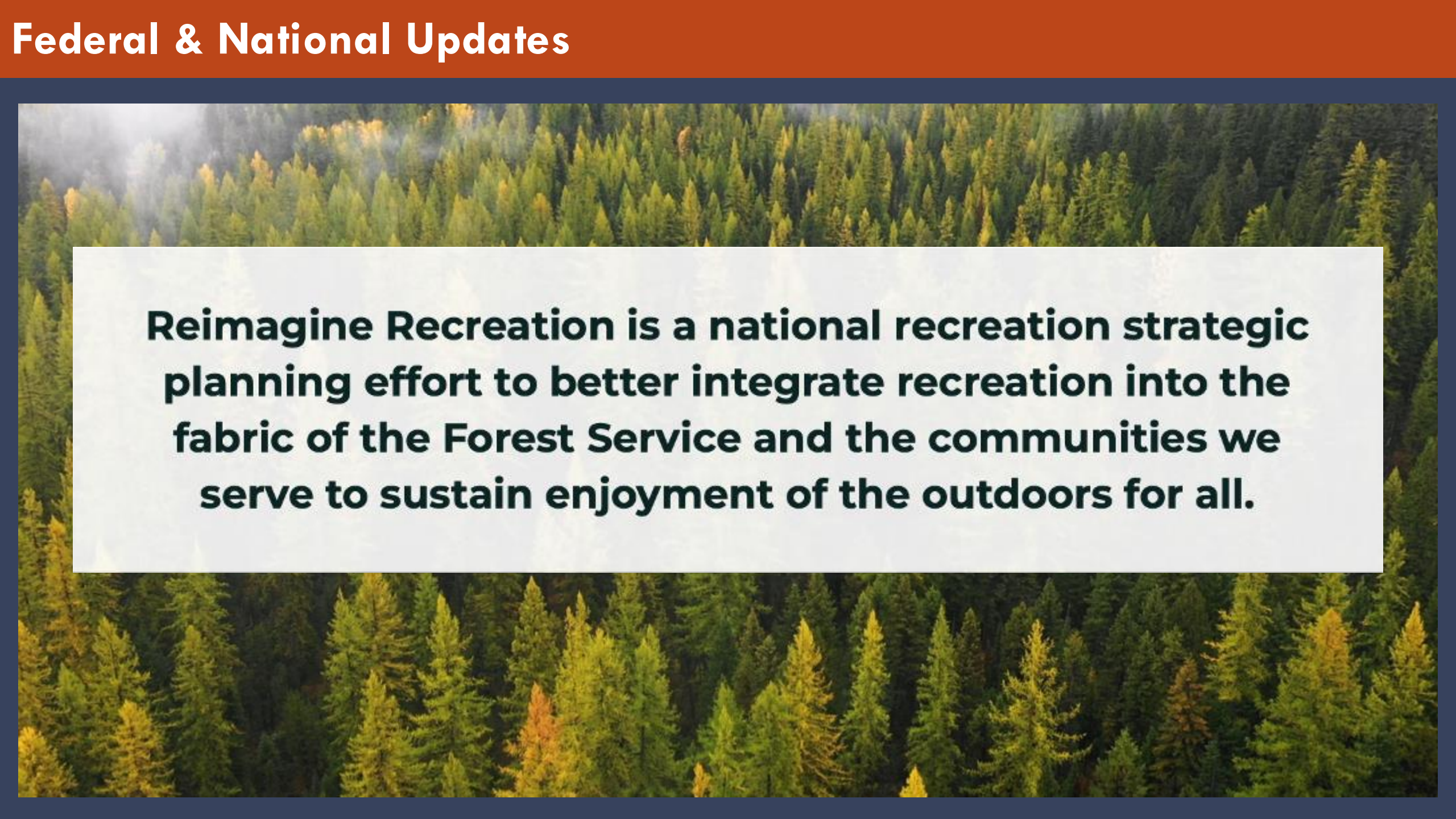
TUESDAY, JULY 18		WEDNESDAY, JULY 19		THURSDAY, JULY 20	
11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Welcome & Purpose Session 1: Elevating the Recreation Workforce	11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Welcome & Purpose Session 3: Cross-Boundary Collaboration	11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Welcome & Purpose Session 5: 21st Century Communication
Lunch		Lunch		Lunch	
2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Session 2: Equity and Access in Action Close-Out	2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Session 4: From Recreation to Conservation Close-Out	2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Session 6: Reflections and Takeaways Close-Out

REIMAGINE RECREATION

Reimagine Recreation is a Forest Service strategic planning effort that seeks to understand and respond to contemporary issues and opportunities in recreation management across National Forest System lands. Over the last year, we have gathered information and feedback from staff and through Tribal engagement. Now, we need your input! Check out our [Reimagine Recreation StoryMap](#) to learn more about recreation in the Forest Service and the Reimagine Recreation effort.

QUESTIONS? Contact Nora Campbell, USDA Forest Service Strategic Planner, at Nora.Campbell2@usda.gov

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Reimagine Recreation is a national recreation strategic planning effort to better integrate recreation into the fabric of the Forest Service and the communities we serve to sustain enjoyment of the outdoors for all.

IN 2021

RECREATION ACCOUNTED FOR

1.9% of GDP

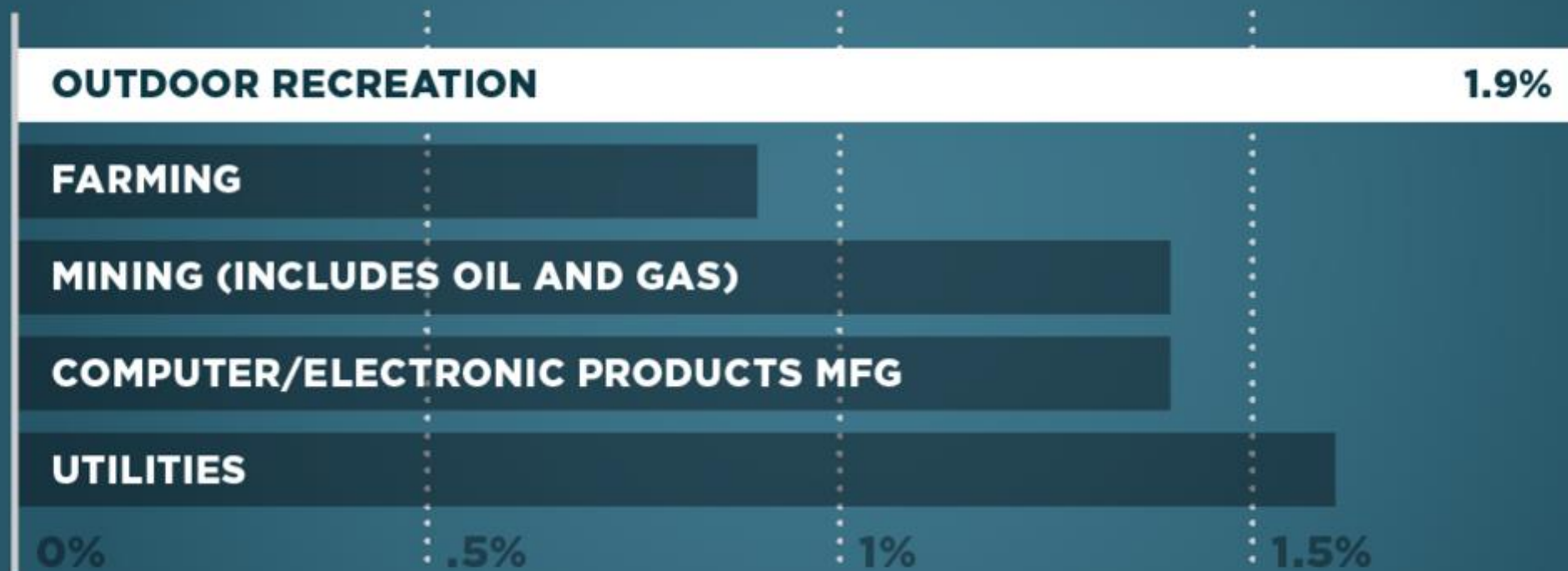
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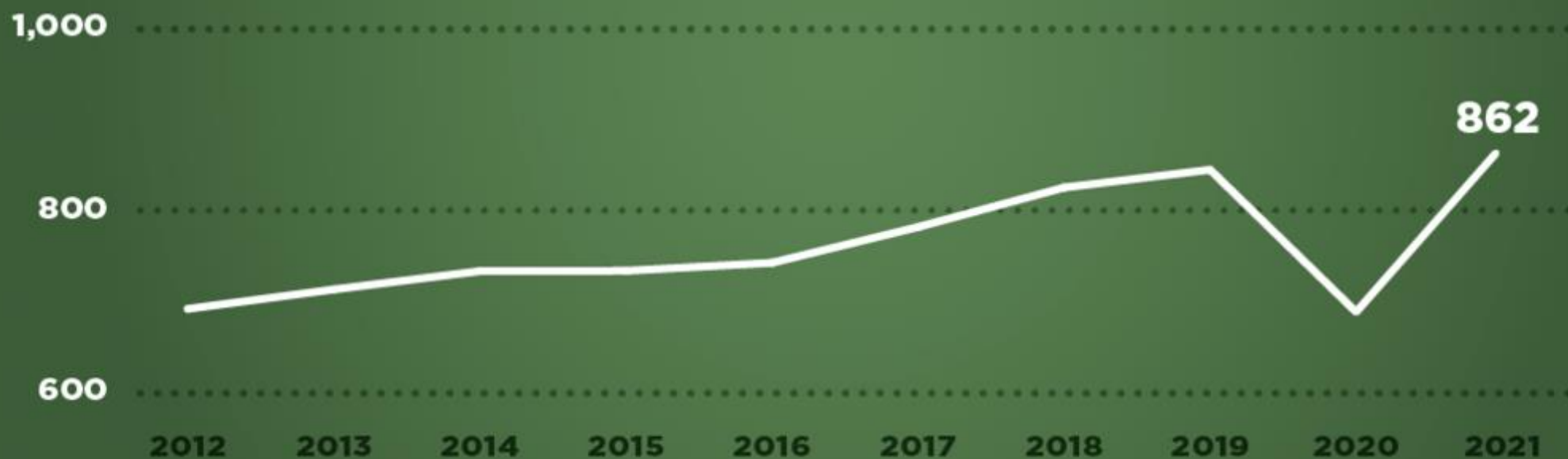


IN 2021

SIZE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION ECONOMY SINCE 2012

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(\$ BILLIONS, NOMINAL GROSS OUTPUT)



Greening Youth Foundation

Domonique Bulls, Ph.D.
Associate Director, JEDI



Greening Youth
FOUNDATION

MISSION

The Greening Youth Foundation's (GYF) mission is to work with diverse, underserved, and underrepresented children, youth, and young adults to develop and nurture into enthusiastic and responsible environmental stewards

GYF believes that youth and young adults from diverse backgrounds can greatly benefit from the career opportunities presented within the field of conservation



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Environmental
Education



Youth Conservation Corps (YCC)



Urban Youth Corps (UYC)

- ❖ 18 years of programming
- ❖ 8000+ Applications
- ❖ 400+ Participants (annually)
- ❖ 50+ Schools Represented
- ❖ 65,000+ Hours of Service
- ❖ 75+ Sites (4 countries served, 35 US states, 3 US territories)

Sites of Civil Rights and Resistance

R9 Information Management Meeting

June 28 2023

Sites Of Civil Rights and Resistance: Program Goals

Develop increased and diversified recreation opportunities around significant sites and their histories. Improve access to services and recreation opportunities.

Identify, research, interpret, and preserve sites and histories. Present sites to agency employees and public through various products, educational opportunities, and social media.

Positively affect agency culture through programming and sharing of highlighted sites and histories, their significance, on lands currently managed by the Forest Service.

Use existing platforms and develop new platforms to identify and interpret sites and histories of underserved and underrepresented communities.

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Poke Patch Settlement: Wayne National Forest

This settlement was located to the south of present-day Oak Hill, OH. Many African Americans, including formerly enslaved, found employment in the dangerous iron foundries associated with the boom in 1820. The settlement was reported to host and harbor men, women, and families resisting enslavement in the American south.



OUTDOOR RECREATION INFORMATION, DIVERSITY

- Although SCRR sites are historic sites, the experiences visitors have there are outdoor recreational experiences
- Under the Biden Administration, federal land management agencies are focused on attracting under-represented groups to visit public lands
- Recent studies show that heritage tourism (visiting historic sites) is of particular interest to African-Americans.
 - MMGY Global estimates that black leisure travelers spent \$109.4B on travel in 2019 ¹
- Many states have existing sites and programs focused on African American cultural tourism, operated by NPS, state and local governments and nonprofit organization

¹ BLACK U.S. LEISURE TRAVELERS SPENT \$109.4 BILLION ON TRAVEL IN 2019 ACCORDING TO NEW REPORT - MMGY Global

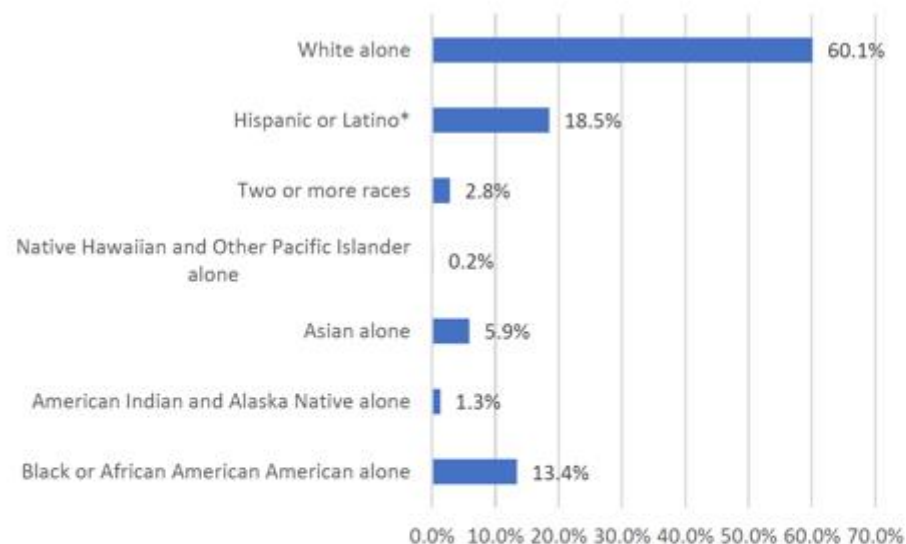
The demographic data

- “Nationally, the U.S. grew by 19.5 million people between 2010 and 2019—a growth rate of 6.3%. While the white population declined by a fraction of a percent, Latino or Hispanic, Asian American, and Black populations grew by rates of 20%, 29%, and 8.5%, respectively.”

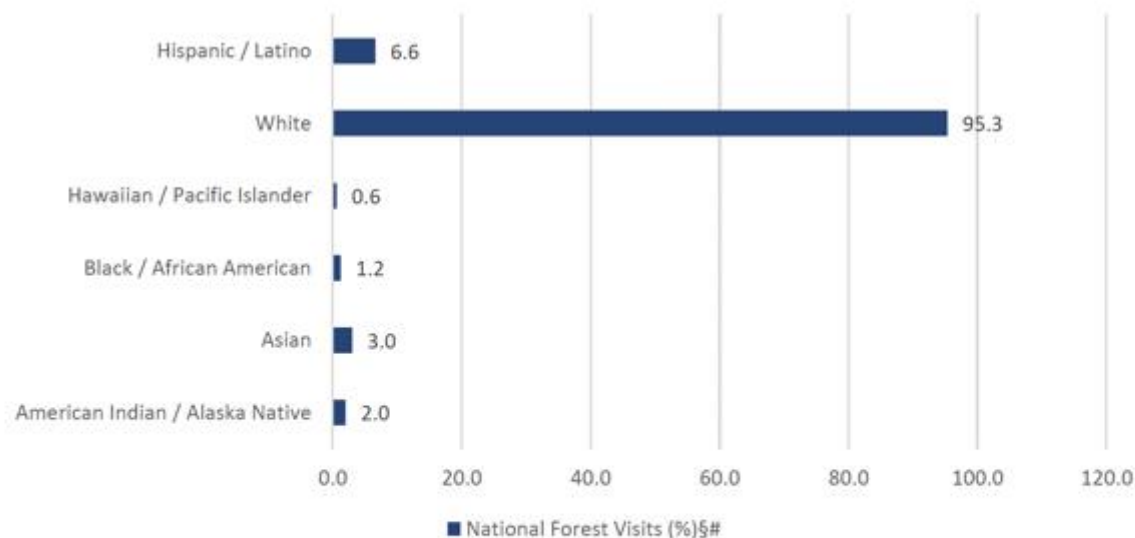
[“The nation is diversifying even faster than predicted, according to new census data” – Brookings Institution, July 1, 2020](#)

- Takeaway – while most recent population growth has been among Americans of color; national forest visitors are still overwhelmingly white.**

Population by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2019



National Forest Visits Demographics, 2015 - 2019





The US Forest Service and Tread Lightly!

Recreation into Conservation



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RED ROCK OHV CONSERVATION CREW

A SEDONA CHAMBER PARTNERSHIP



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Educate Yourself: Tread Lightly! Education

The Tread Trainer program allows the fundamentals of outdoor ethics to be taught to outdoor enthusiasts of all ages and recreation types.

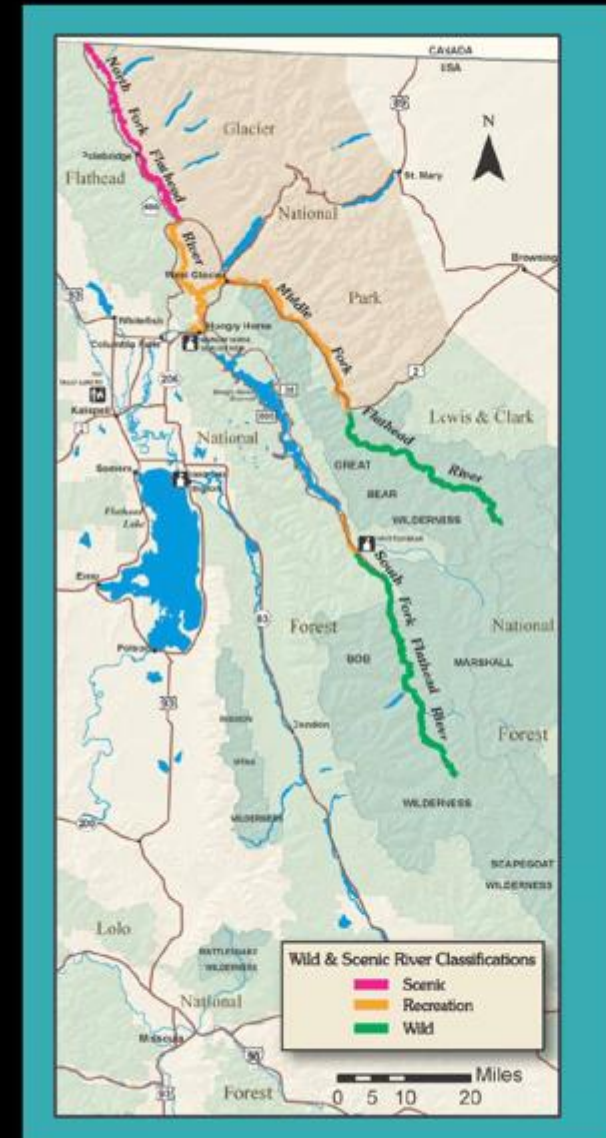
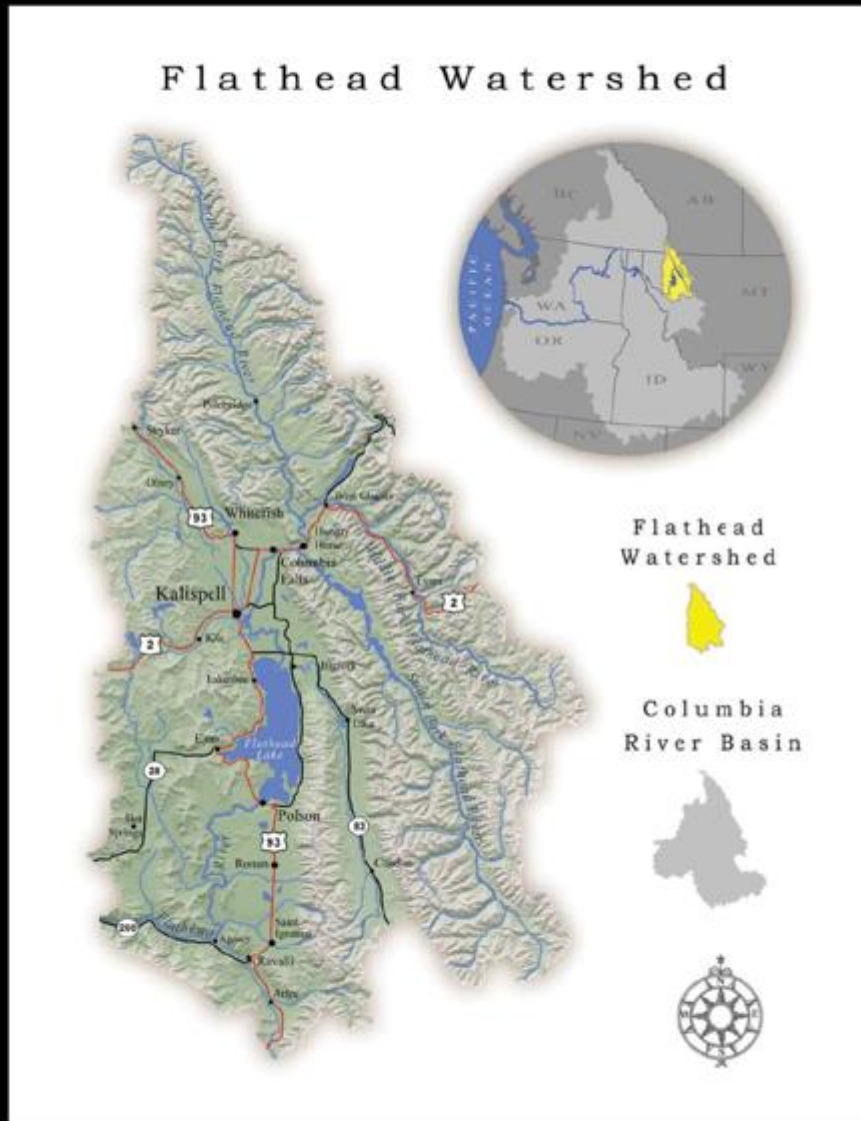


FLATHEAD RIVERS ALLIANCE

THREE FORKS OF THE FLATHEAD RIVER

FLATHEAD 
RIVERS ALLIANCE

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RIVER AMBASSADOR

- CELEBRATE OUTSTANDING REMARKABLE VALUES OF THE RIVER SYSTEM.
- PROVIDE SAFETY, ETHICS, AND ETIQUETTE TIPS.
- OFFER INFORMATION ON RIVER RULES AND REGULATIONS.
- REFERENCE MAPS TO SUGGEST FLOATS.
- COLLECT ACCESS SITE USER RELATED INFORMATION.
- LOANER LIFE JACKET PROGRAM. *SITE DEPENDENT.



RIVER RECREATION MONITORING

- FLOAT THE RIVER.
- SERVE AS A CITIZEN SCIENTIST.
- CONDUCT MONITORING USING SURVEY 123 APP.
- COLLECT RIVER USER, WILDLIFE, AND INVASIVE SPECIES DATA.



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WHO WE ARE

SAFEGUARDING THE FUTURE OF THE
FLATHEAD RIVER SYSTEM

Our mission at Flathead Rivers Alliance is to support and enhance the outstanding and remarkable Three Forks of the Flathead River.





Intersectionality, Environmental Justice, and Outdoor Equity, from concept to reality.

BY JUAN PÉREZ SÁEZ

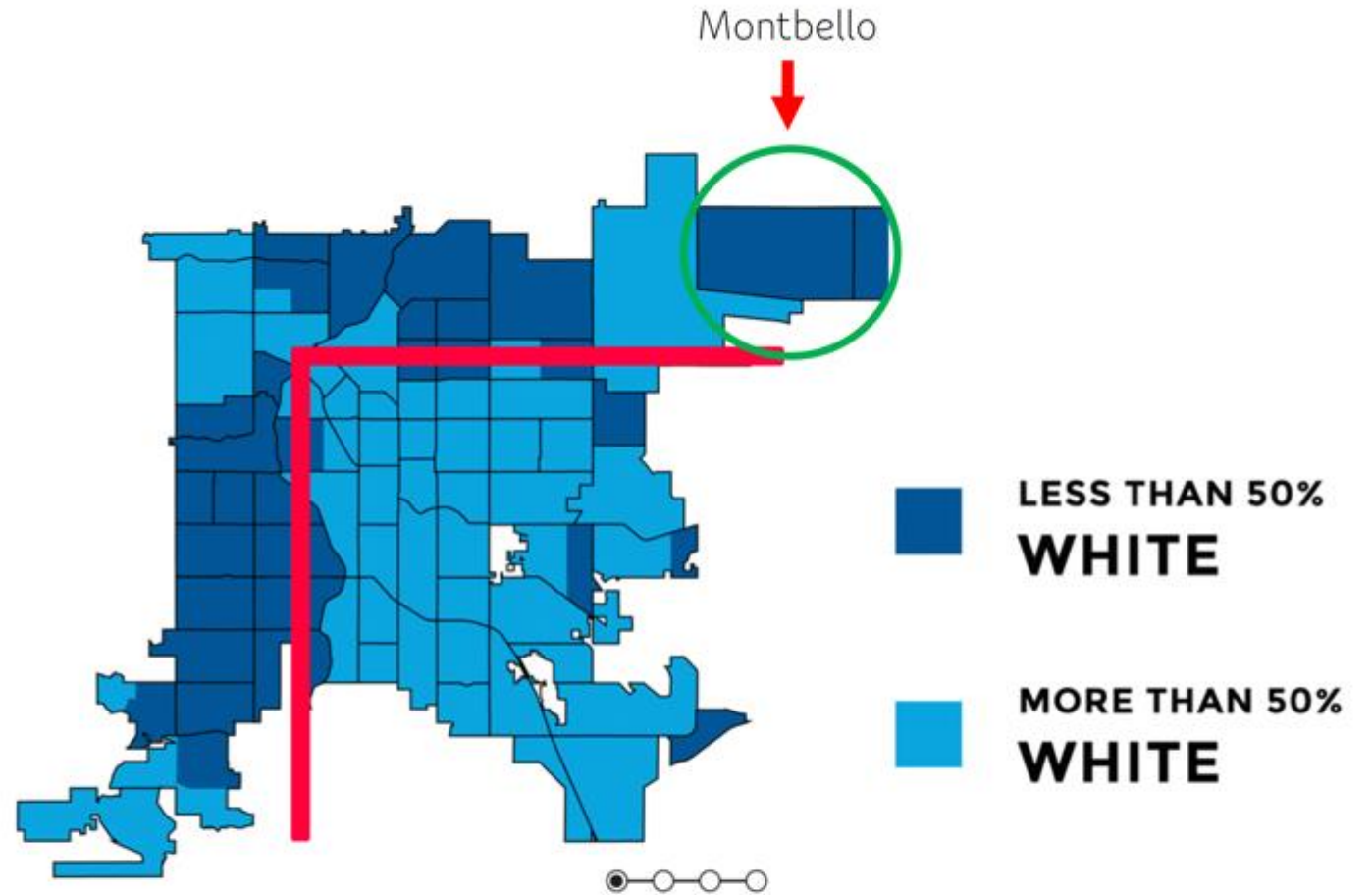
ELK - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Why we do, what we do?

Two wildlife biologists from the community saw the need for creating an organization like us and addressing the disparities connecting underrepresented and traditional disinvested youth to the outdoors and careers in STEM.

Now, 27 years later we are so much more!



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PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

ENVIRONMENTAL
LEARNING
FOR KIDS



SCHOOL-BASED COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

ELK provides a wide selection of science and natural resources programs to community groups and public schools from grades P-12, correlated to Colorado State Academic Standards in 12 partner schools within 4 school districts.

DENVER YOUTH NATURALLY (DYN)

A year-round, multi-year program, that immerses youth in hands-on science and outdoor experiences in nature. Mentored by science professionals, DYN youth find the support necessary to succeed in school and life. (Ages 8-14)

YOUTH IN NATURAL RESOURCES (YNR)

Offers college mentoring, career exploration, and work experience in the field of environmental science and natural resources. YNR includes college visits, leadership development, scholarship and college application support, and summer employment. (Ages 14-25)

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES (LEAF)

Involves families of DYN and YNR youth in their children's science learning, service projects, and outdoor experiences. LEAF encourages quality family time side-by-side in nature. (All ages)

ELK EDUCATION CENTER & MONTBELLO OPEN SPACE PARK

On-site programming and activities provide equitable access to the outdoors, STEM learning, and community building to far northeast youth & families.

trailhead parking
South Mineral Campground

0.5 miles
0.5 km

www.americansouthwest.net

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Accomplishments

- 100% Graduation Rate for past 10 years
- Longevity of working with students
- Fundraising complete for new Outdoor Education Center
- Completed the construction of the Montbello Open Space

Challenges

1. Transportation – aging fleet of 15-passenger vans.
2. COVID & maintaining emotional and mental resources for students and staff.
3. Providing programs at free cost for children, youth and their families.
4. Navigating the conservation and outdoors recreation community which is predominantly white, straight, cisgender, older, able-bodied males.





Deaf Community Inclusion

Green Mountain and Finger Lakes
National Forests

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1ST AGREEMENT WITH LEXINGTON
SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF (VISITS 2015,
2017, 2019, 2022)

NATIONAL PARTNER AWARD RECIPIENT

1ST VYCC ASL CREW

CHIEF'S HONOR AWARD
RECIPIENT

2013-
2014

2016

2022

2015

2017

MANCHESTER WELCOMES
EMPLOYEE WHO IS DEAF

PITCHED ASL CREW TO VYCC
ALL-EMPLOYEE TRAINING

CORPS THAT ASL
SESSIONS AND
1ST AGREEMENT

Immersive Experiences





Take Aways

1. Explore staff strengths & interests
2. Staff education increases engagement
3. Flexibility in partner/project evolution and overcoming obstacles
4. Creative partnerships can require substantial support



MAPLand Act

SCOTT HAAS, USDA FOREST SERVICE

**Recreation Knowledge
Sharing Workshop**

July 19, 2023

Modernizing Access to Our Public Land Act

The MAPLand Act was signed in April 2022 to ensure consistency in geospatial data related to public recreation. The implementation of the Act will ensure map data from the specified federal agencies is compatible across the federal recreation landscape.

FEDERAL LAND & WATERS



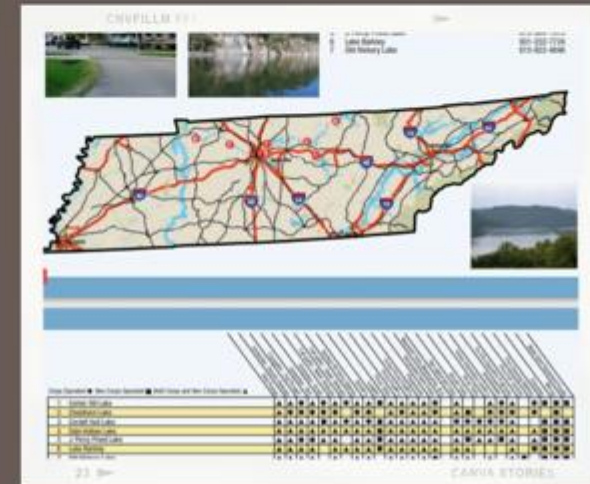
Department of the Interior

Bureau of Reclamation
National Park Service
Bureau of Land Management
United States Fish and Wildlife Service



Department of Agriculture

Forest Service



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

GOALS



STANDARDIZE

Jointly develop and adopt interagency geospatial standards for data related to public recreation access.



PUBLISH DATA

Collect, digitize, and publish standardized geospatial data on agency websites for easements, route, and area data.



ALLOW COMMENTS

Develop a process to allow members of the public to submit questions or comments regarding the data.

DATA INCLUDES



- Easements and rights-of-way
- Roads and trails status
- Seasonality of roads and trails
- Types of vehicles and recreational uses that are allowed on roads and trails
- Boundaries of areas where hunting or recreational shooting is permanently restricted or closed

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Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project: STEW-MAP NYC 2017



The Project

The Groups

The Connections

The Map

The Landscape

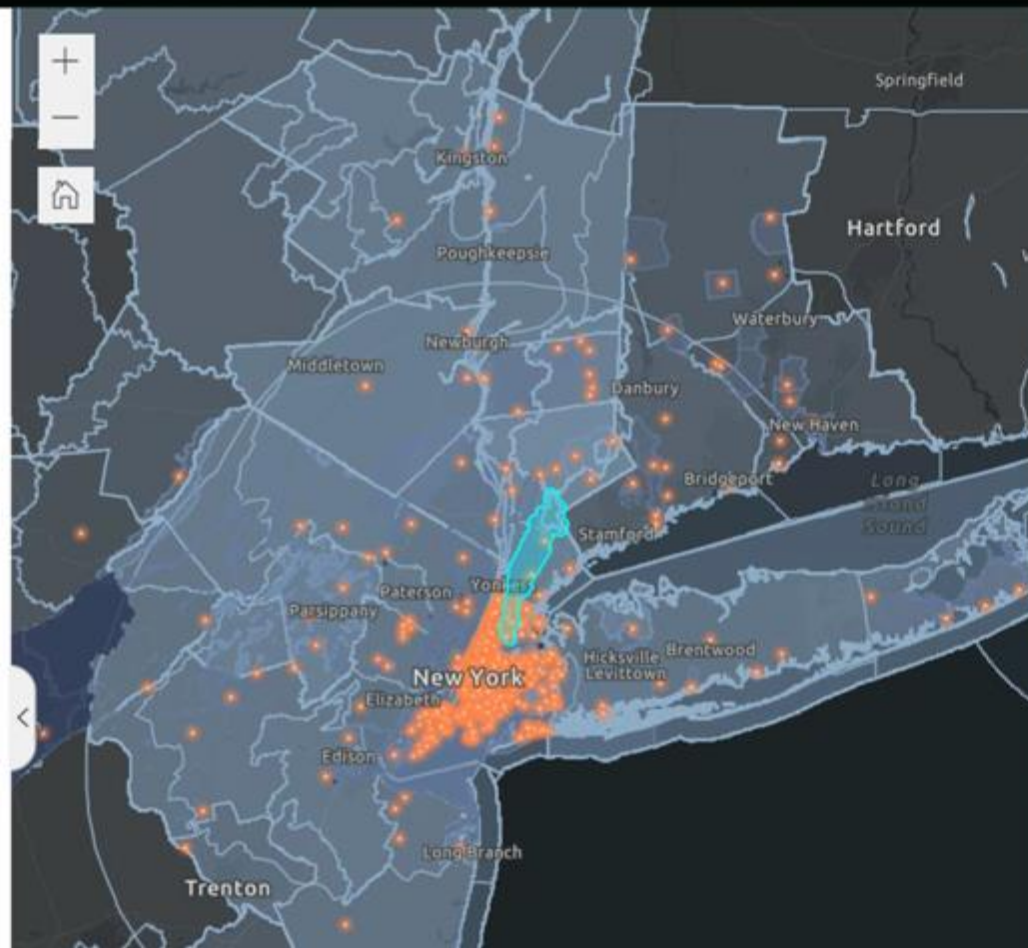
Overview

Who takes care of New York City's environment? The answer is all of us. The Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project (STEW-MAP) is a comprehensive way to survey, map, and track all groups that work to conserve, manage, monitor, transform, advocate for, and/or educate the public about their local environments. STEW-MAP serves as a common platform where a wide range of stakeholders can support natural resource management and community development.

For example, click on Bronx River Alliance in the "Group Level Example" in the right hand panel to see this group displayed on the stewardship map.

What can you learn from STEW-MAP?

- Answer the question: who takes care of the New York City region? Where are there gaps and concentrations of care?
- Assess and strengthen civic capacity and expertise across cities and towns
- Learn about where groups are working and what kind of work they are doing
- Discover emerging coalitions and alliances in your



Legend

Stewardship Group Offices



Stewardship Group Turfs

Turf Size



Smaller Turf



Midsize Turf



City or Regionwide Turf

Group Level Example

Click Actions menu below and select Show on map to display this territory on

Bronx River Alliance

1 Bronx River Parkway
Bronx, NY 10462

Contact: info@bronxriver.org

Website: <http://bronxriver.org/>

Phone: 718-430-4665

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LEGEND
Illinois: African Americans, 1850

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REIMAGINE RECREATION: ELEVATING THE OUTDOOR WORKFORCE

Chris Perkins

cperkins@recreationroundtable.org

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The nation's leading coalition of outdoor recreation trade associations, nonprofit organizations, and business entities serving more than 110,000 businesses.

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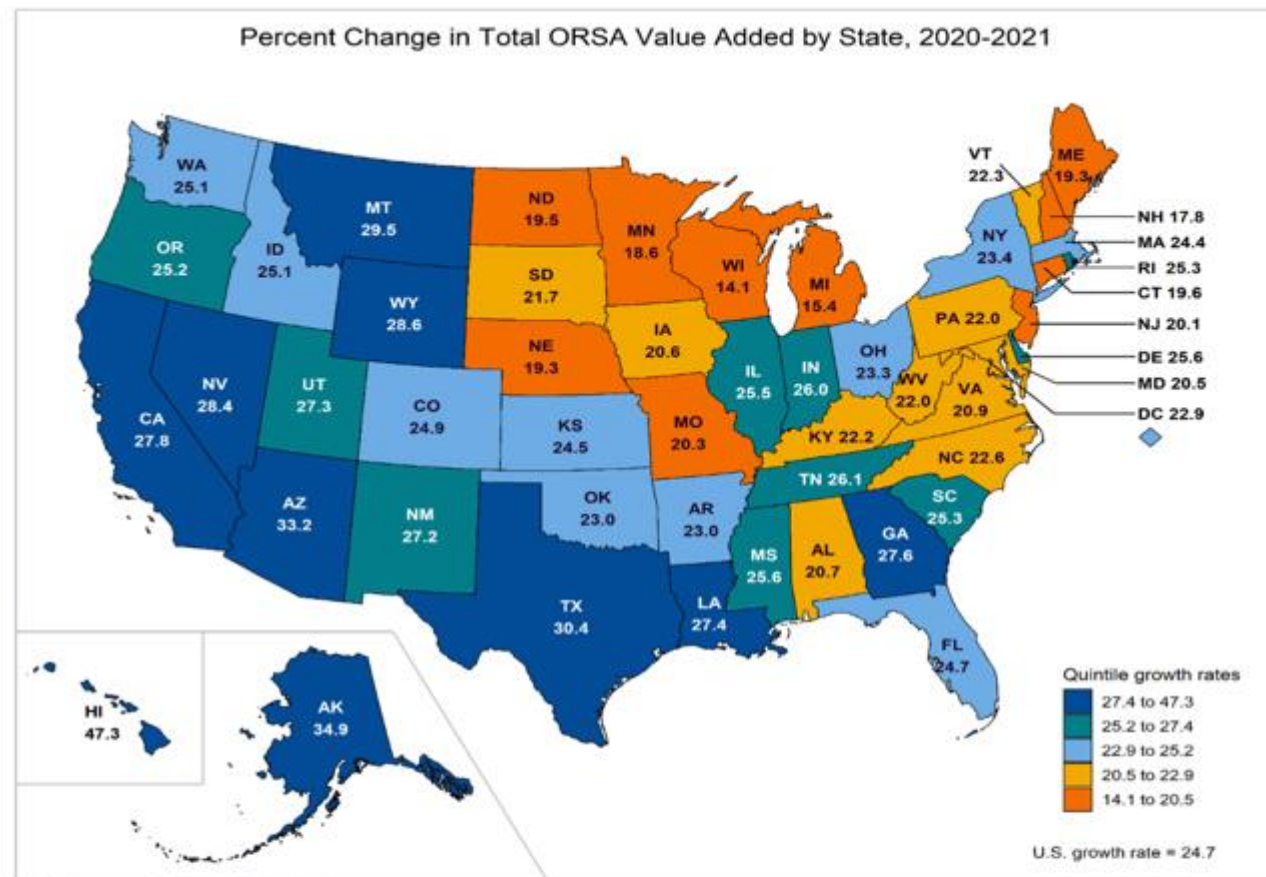


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4.5 Million Jobs
(3% of U.S. Employment)

1.9% of U.S. GDP

\$862 Billion in Gross Output



U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

	Outdoor Recreation Economy	U.S. Economy
Growth in GDP	+18.9%	+5.7%

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Recreation Knowledge Sharing Workshop Recreation Case Studies and Successes Links

The following links were shared by speakers and attendees in the virtual workshop chat. They provide information about recreation case studies and other successful projects referred to during the workshop.

Day 1

Session 1: Elevating the Recreation Workforce

Outdoor Recreation Roundtable, Workforce Hub

- <https://recreationroundtable.org/resources/workforce-hub/>

Headwaters Economics, "The Amenity Trap: How high-amenity communities can avoid being loved to death"

- <https://headwaterseconomics.org/outdoor-recreation/amenity-trap/>

Southern Appalachian Wilderness Stewardship, The Bridge Program

- <https://www.wildernessstewardship.org/the-bridge-program>

USDA Rural Development, "Housing Solutions in Rural Recreation Communities"

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mNvoec1-eE>

Trail Skills Project

- <https://www.trailskills.org/>

Session 2: Equity and Access in Action

Native Womens Wilderness

- <https://www.fs.usda.gov/features/segregationist-past-green-pastures-recreation-site>

USDA Forest Service, "The Segregationist Past of the 'Green Pastures' Recreation Site"

- <https://www.fs.usda.gov/features/segregationist-past-green-pastures-recreation-site>

Day 2

Session 3: Cross-Boundary Collaboration

Outdoor Alliance, "Wildfire and Outdoor Recreation in the West"

- <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/54a8b14e4b01142027654ee/649dcd388c9dbf73648c777d/1688063291777/WildfireAndRecreation-WhitePaper-OutdoorAlliance-Digital.pdf>

California's Joint Strategy for Sustainable Outdoor Recreation & Wildfire Resilience

- https://mtrpa.org/images/downloads/025_34_CalBerVision_Final_2021_WEB.pdf
- <https://wildfiretaskforce.org/about/action-areas/sustainable-accessible-recreation/>

Eagle Market Streets Development Corporation, Catawba Vale Collaborative, and Pisgah

National Forest

- <https://www.eaglemarketstreets.org/>
- <https://southernfutures.unc.edu/catawba-vale-collaborative/>
- <https://www.fs.usda.gov/features/creating-community>

The history of the Old Fort collaboration

- https://wimc.org/feature/developing_within

SORP (Society of Outdoor Recreation Professionals) and Webinar Recordings

- <https://www.repro.org>
- <https://www.repro.org/webinars>

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National Forest Foundation, Chaffee County All Lands Camping

- <https://www.nationalforests.org/regional-programs/rocky-mountain-region/chaffee-county-all-lands-camping>

National Forest Foundation, Centennial Program Visioning Process

- <https://www.nationalforests.org/regional-programs/rocky-mountain-region/centennial-program>

National Forest Foundation, Colorado 14ers

- <https://www.14ers.org/stay-informed/colorado-14ers-statewide-report-card/>
- [https://www.nationalforests.org/who-we-are/press-news/new-fourteener-campaign-improves-trail-conditions-through-collaboration-and-innovation#:~:text=in%202017%2C%20the%20National%20Forest%20Foundation%20\(NFF\)%20invested%20%80%93%20Mount%20Elbert%20C%20Pike%20Peak%20and%20C%20and%20Peak%20Peak](https://www.nationalforests.org/who-we-are/press-news/new-fourteener-campaign-improves-trail-conditions-through-collaboration-and-innovation#:~:text=in%202017%2C%20the%20National%20Forest%20Foundation%20(NFF)%20invested%20%80%93%20Mount%20Elbert%20C%20Pike%20Peak%20and%20C%20and%20Peak%20Peak)

Cascade Volunteers, Nonprofit Partner of the Willamette National Forest

- <https://cascadevol.org/>

USDA Forest Service, Ocoee and Hiwassee Rivers Corridor Management Plan

- <https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/dot/environmental/scenic-byways/7.%20Ocoee%20Scenic%20Byway%20CMP.pdf>

USDA Forest Service, Dispersed Camping Management Project

- <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/bc727954201e4fb18fb7cf3a3eb53080>

Colorado Youth Corps (CHV Focus)

- <https://vimeo.com/809197593>

Session 4: From Recreation to Conservation

Interagency Visitor Use Management Council

- <https://www.flatheadrivers.org/>

Flathead Rivers Alliance

- <https://www.flatheadrivers.org/>

Washington Trails Association, "Silver Star Vision Plan as a North Star for the Future of a Special Area"

- <https://www.wta.org/news/signpost/silver-star-vision-plan-is-a-north-star-for-future-of-a-special-area>

Society for Wilderness Stewardship, Alpine Lakes Collaborative

- <https://www.wildernessstewardship.org/alc>

The Journal of Wildlife Management, "Are Wildlife Recreationists Conservationists?"

- <https://wildlife.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdf/10.1002/jwm.855>

The Wilderness Society, "The Public Lands Curriculum"

- <https://www.wilderness.org/articles/article/public-lands-united-states-curriculum>

Recreate Responsibly

- <https://www.recreateresponsibly.org/>

Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation, "2023-2028 Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Education Plan"

- <https://www.bmwf.org/dispatches/2023/4/10/2023-2028-bob-marshall-wilderness-complex-education-plan>

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Day 3

Session 5: 21st Century Communication

Topic 1: Web Based Communications and Access – Successes and Solutions

Colorado Trail Explorer

- <https://trails.colorado.gov/>

California Transit to Trails Act of 2021

- <https://gonzalez.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=2398>

Nelson Holland Instagram @fatblackandgettinitt

- <https://www.instagram.com/fatblackandgettinitt/>

American Whitewater Map

- <https://www.americanwhitewater.org/content/River/view/river-index>

Topic 2: Data Collection and Sharing – Successes and Solutions

Colorado Latino Climate Justice Policy Handbook

- <https://conservationco.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/11.17-V2-PROTEGETE-HANDBOOK.pdf>

Washington Trails Association, "Better Data. Better Trails. Trip Reports Matter More Than You Think"

- <https://www.wta.org/news/magazine/features/better-data-better-trails>

Adventure Scientists, Wild and Scenic Rivers

- <https://www.adventurescientists.org/rivers.html>

National Rivers Project

- <http://www.nationalriversproject.com/>

Colorado Trail Explorer tool

- <https://trails.colorado.gov/>

Trail Angeles

- <https://trailananges.org/>

Headwaters Economics, socioeconomic profiles tool

- <https://headwaterseconomics.org/tools/forest-indicators/>

Session 6: Reflections and Takeaways

North-Central Colorado, NoCo PLACES 2050

- <https://www.nccoplaces2050.com/>

White Mountain National Forest, New Hampshire

- <https://gmt.ems.com/crowds-white-mountains/>
- <https://www.wta.org/news/signpost/release-of-popular-hiking-feature-recommender-2022-personalized-hikes>
- <https://www.denver7.com/news/our-colorado-app-aims-to-tackle-trailhead-parking-woes-in-jefferson-county#:~:text=An%20non%20called%20Lot%20spot,cars%20that%20are%20parked%20illegally>

DARQ Decision-Making Model

- <https://www.trec.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/DARQ-Decision-Making-Model-v520.pdf>

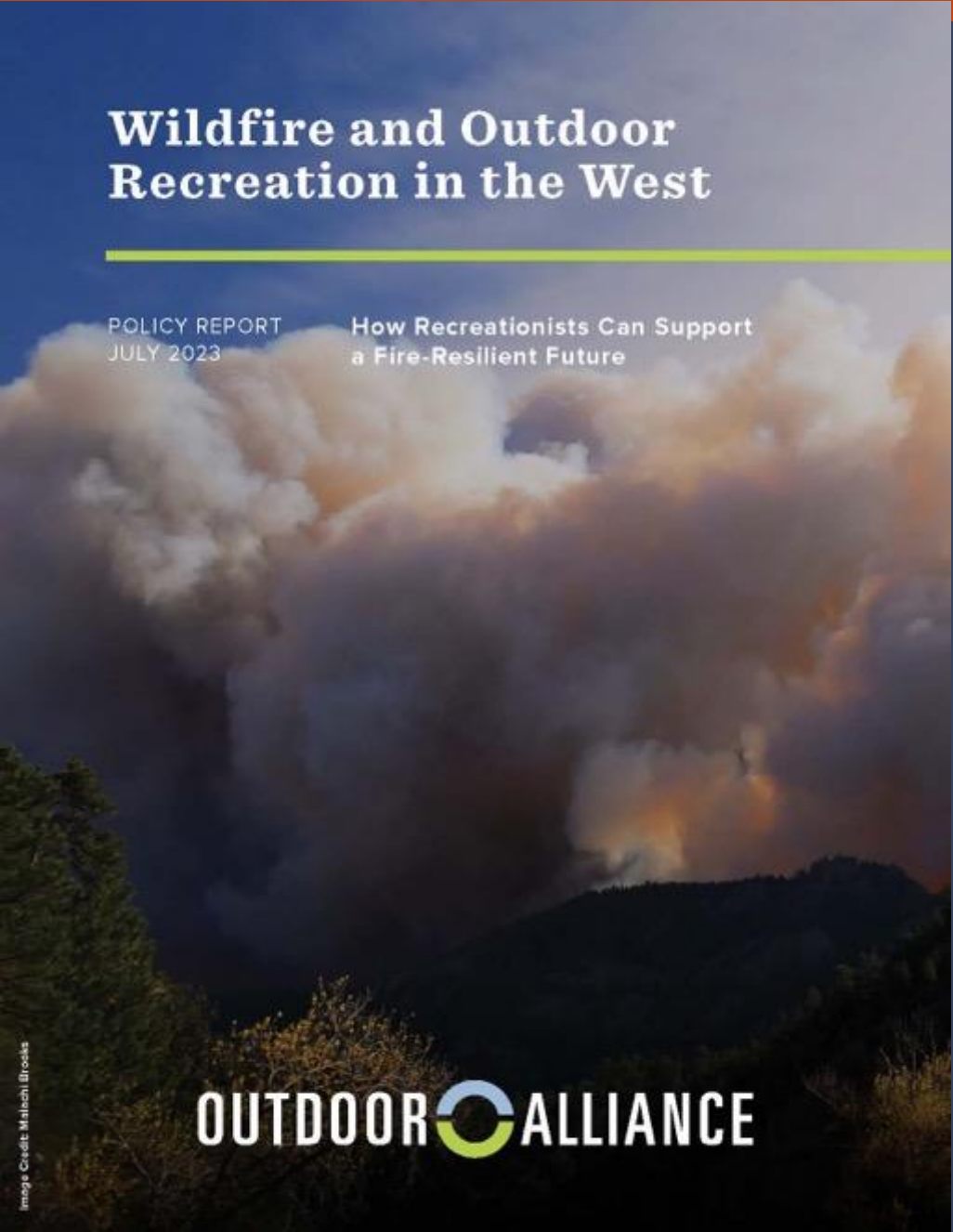
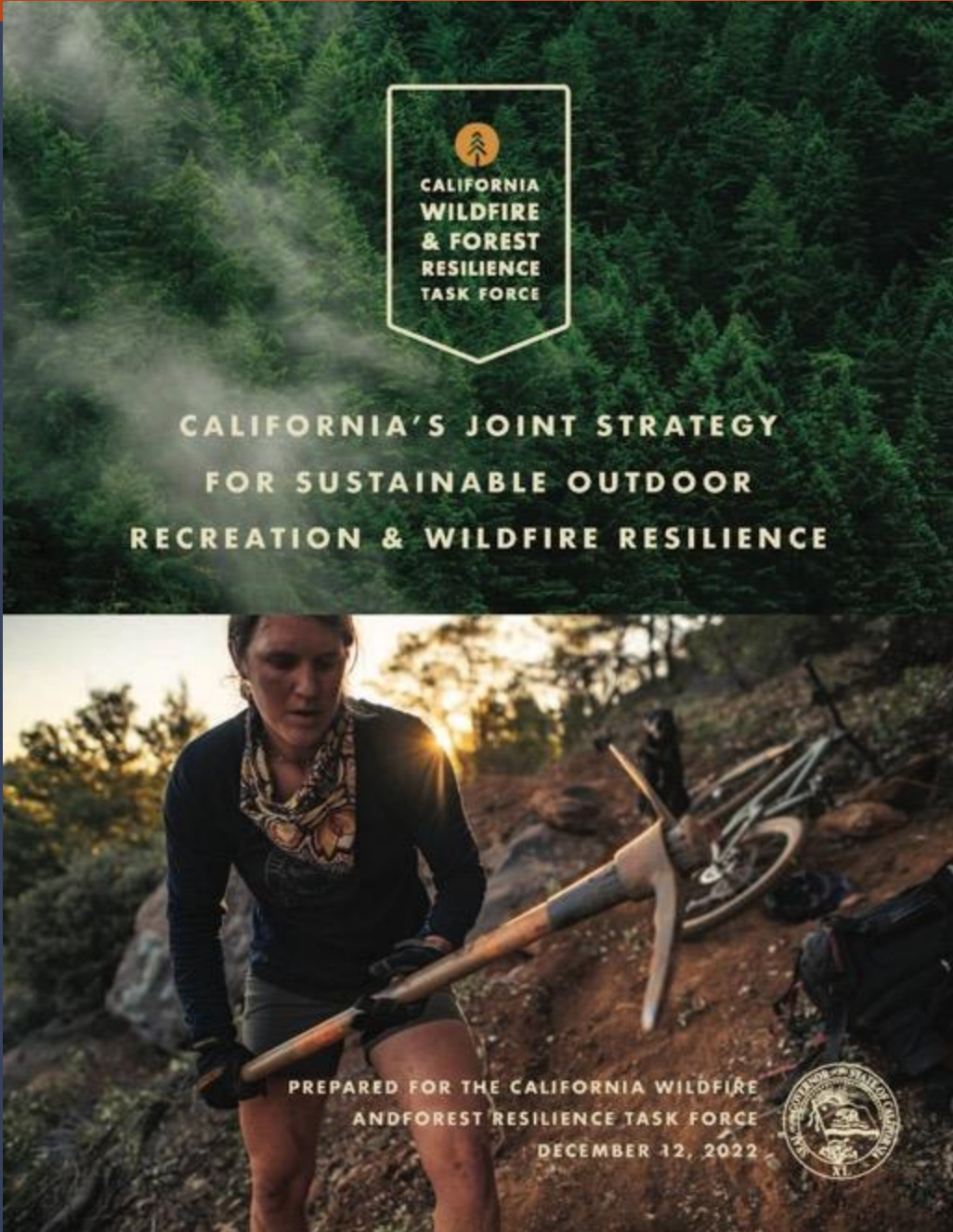
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Washington Office, USFS

- Nora Campbell – *Associate National Recreation Planner; Recreation, Heritage, Volunteer Resources*

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NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY



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The Washington Post

The federal government could shut down in October. Here's how and why.

Jeff Stein

Even without a spending deal, lawmakers could agree to pass a "continuing resolution" that would keep the government operating at the current levels for whatever length of time they choose. The current spending levels, which were set in an omnibus spending law in December, are slightly higher than what Biden and McCarthy agreed to spend for 2024 during the debt ceiling standoff, making a temporary extension less palatable for Republicans seeking cuts.

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Fitch Downgrades the United States' Long-Term Ratings to 'AA+' from 'AAA'; Outlook Stable

Ratings Downgrade: The rating downgrade of the United States reflects the expected fiscal deterioration over the next three years, a high and growing general government debt burden, and the erosion of governance relative to 'AA' and 'AAA' rated peers over the last two decades that has manifested in repeated debt limit standoffs and last-minute resolutions.

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THE LATEST

At dueling youth conferences, differing messages on 2024

Hundreds of students arrived in D.C. for two dueling conferences with similar sentiments: neither Democrats nor Republicans are doing enough to reach young voters.



(Minh Connors/The Washington Post)



DeSantis super PAC shares cost for private air travel in unusual deal



DeSantis says Trump's stolen-election theories were all false



Chris Christie visits Ukraine, highlighting GOP divide over U.S. role



Ohio Issue 1 and its potential impact on abortion, explained

OPINIONS >

The coming year will test the nation. May we rise to the challenge.



Opinion by Colbert I. King

America survived the 'China Shock.' There's still the Trump shock.



Opinion by Fareed Zakaria

Trump's latest indictment makes No Labels even more outlandish



Opinion by Jennifer Rubin

The Trump indictment's main finding: Do you want this person as your president?



Opinion by the Editorial Board

Without a recession to exploit, the GOP has lost economic coherence



Opinion by Jennifer Rubin

Admit it, GOP. Trump's legal woes make him an unviable candidate.



Opinion by Henry Olsen

Climate Bond Listening Session with Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia, author of AB 1567

Help Secure Resources for our Region:

August 16, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Canyon View Community Center: Foothills Room
471 Maidu Drive
Auburn, CA

Please join **Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia**, Sierra Business Council, the Sierra Consortium, and other state and Sierra Nevada leaders for presentations and discussion related to **AB 1567, The Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024** and the needs and opportunities for climate resilience funding in the Sierra Nevada.



RSVP by Aug. 14

by completing [this form](#).

Please direct questions to Sierra Business Council's Government & Community Affairs Director, Stacy Corless, at scorless@sierrabusiness.org.

Casual Reception to follow from 3:30-5:30 pm at:

The Station Public House

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Dr. Jennifer Norris

Deputy Secretary for Biodiversity and Habitat,
California Natural Resources Agency



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October 12th

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Riverside Convention Center

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2023 Equity Leader Speaker Series:

Rising Leaders Panel

August 10, 12-1pm

Online



Hi Recreate Responsibly California Coalition members,

Thank you for joining us at this week's monthly meeting. We had an excellent presentation from Bethanie DeRose and Juliet Velazquez about the Visit California Regional Strategic Tourism Plans. These plans will assess the current readiness of twelve regions of the state for sustainable travel and tourism. They consider factors such as housing, policy, destination management, and other related concerns.

Bethanie and Juliet extended an invitation to all members of the Recreate Responsibly California Coalition to engage in the planning process. To get involved, please reach out to your region's representative by [using this link](#). Thank you to Bethanie and Juliet for joining us!

Now, let's highlight some events and resources shared by our Coalition members during the meeting:



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**August 10, 2023
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The Nature Gap: Confronting Racial and Economic Disparities in America – Sierra Nevada Alliance Monthly Webinar

August 7, 2023 @ 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

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12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
**The Nature Gap:
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9:00 am - 2:00 pm
**Great Sierra River
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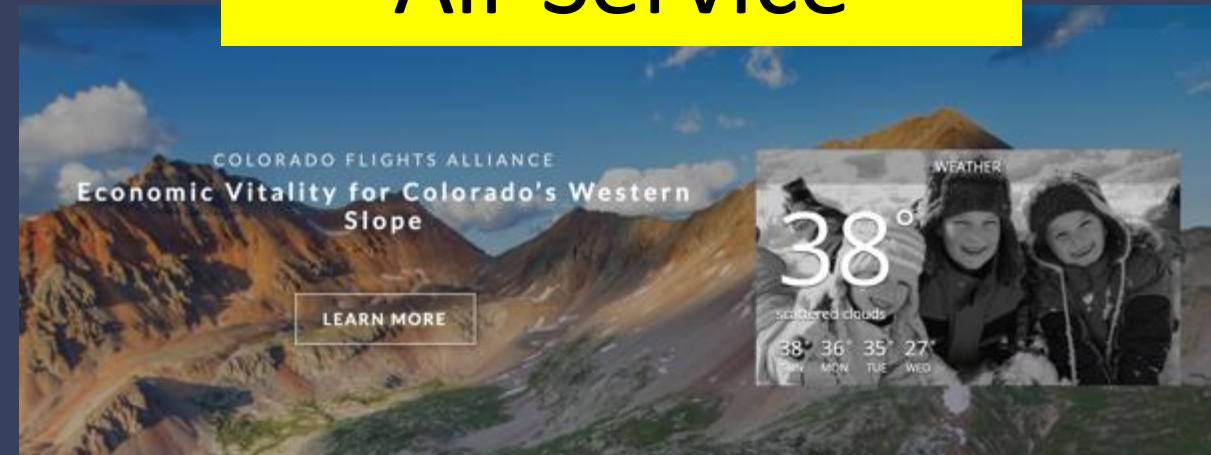


Accountant, Cumming Capital
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Automotive Service Advisor,
Performance Tech
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Air Service



Inaugural Flight Eastern Sierra Reliable Regional Air Service - Dec. 19, 2021

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March 7, 2022



**Racene Friede, President CEO
Glacier Country Regional Tourism Commission
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Western Montana & Glacier National Park
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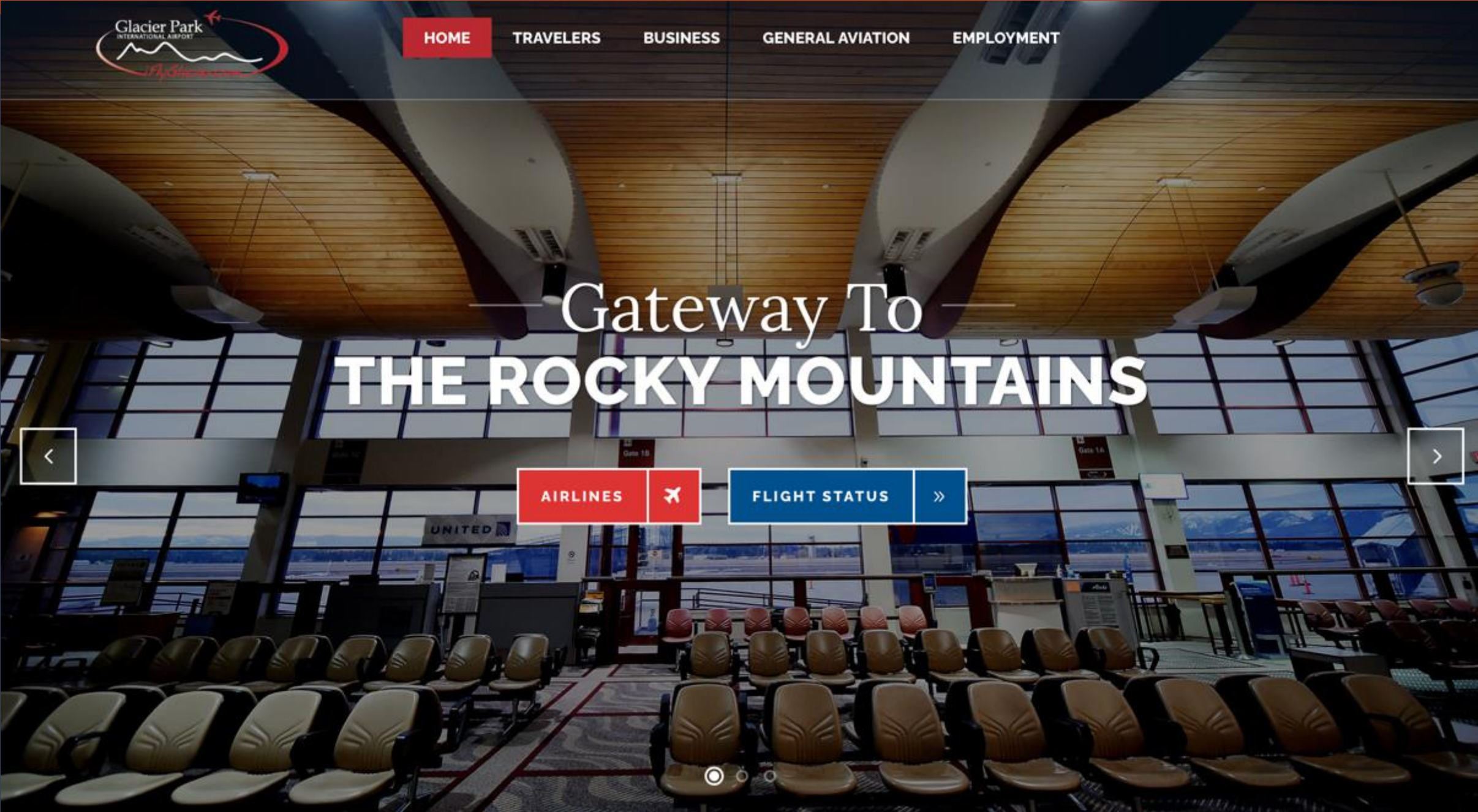
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Glacier Park International Airport Expansion To Accommodate 20-Plus Years of Growth

Source Daily Inter Lake/TNS

July 5, 2022



Jul. 3—A \$115 million expansion project underway at Glacier Park International Airport is an indication of the region's growing population and popularity as a tourist destination. And while the Covid-19 pandemic put the effort on hold in 2020, as air travel resumes and visitation to the valley soars again, the project is rapidly moving forward.

Top of mind for airport director Rob Ratkowski and his team is creating a more efficient space.

"In 2004, we had 160,000 in-plane passengers. This year, we will see 450,000. We take that seasonality and summer peak very seriously, and we are making that the design standard for the new space. We want the community to have a good facility."

Current complications at the airport include significant congestion and limited seating in the terminal, which create a crowded first and last impression of the Flathead Valley for passengers, Ratkowski said. Limited aircraft parking and gate sharing is causing delays and logistical issues between carriers, and there is no headroom for airline and non-airline companies to boost



LATEST IN AIRPORTS

Airports

Houston Airports Employee Trusts Intuition, Steps in To Save Human Trafficking Victim



July 31, 2023

Expansion Project At Glacier Park International Airport Making Good Progress

The first component of its major terminal expansion is hoping to be operational by fall.

BY AARON BAILEY PUBLISHED FEB 18, 2023



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Regional Updates

- **ESCOG Joint Powers Authority – *Elaine Kabala, ESCOG Executive Director***
 - **ESCOG Meetings**
 - **August 17: Draft Agenda Items**
 - **Sustainable Recreation + Ecosystem Management Program (SREMP)**
 - **Sustainable Recreation Projects**
 - **BIRPI – Contractor Update**
 - **“Towns to Trails”: Contractor Update**
 - **Ecosystem Management Projects**
 - **ESCCRP: Contractor Update**

Regional Updates

- **Receive a Presentation from Neil Peacock, Supervising Transportation Planner, Caltrans, Regarding a Conceptual Project Application and Budget for the Reconnecting Communities/Highways to Boulevards Grant**
- **Receive an Update Regarding the Community Economic Resiliency Fund (CERF) from Stacy Corless, Government and Community Affairs Director, Sierra Business Council**
- **Receive an Update on Discussions Regarding Proportionate Budget Contributions from Member Agencies**
- **Approve Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium Budget Modification Request to the California Public Utilities Commission for the California Advanced Services Fund Grant**
- **Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium Activities Report Provided by Eastern Sierra Regional Broadband Coordinator Scott Armstrong**
- **Executive Director Update Report**

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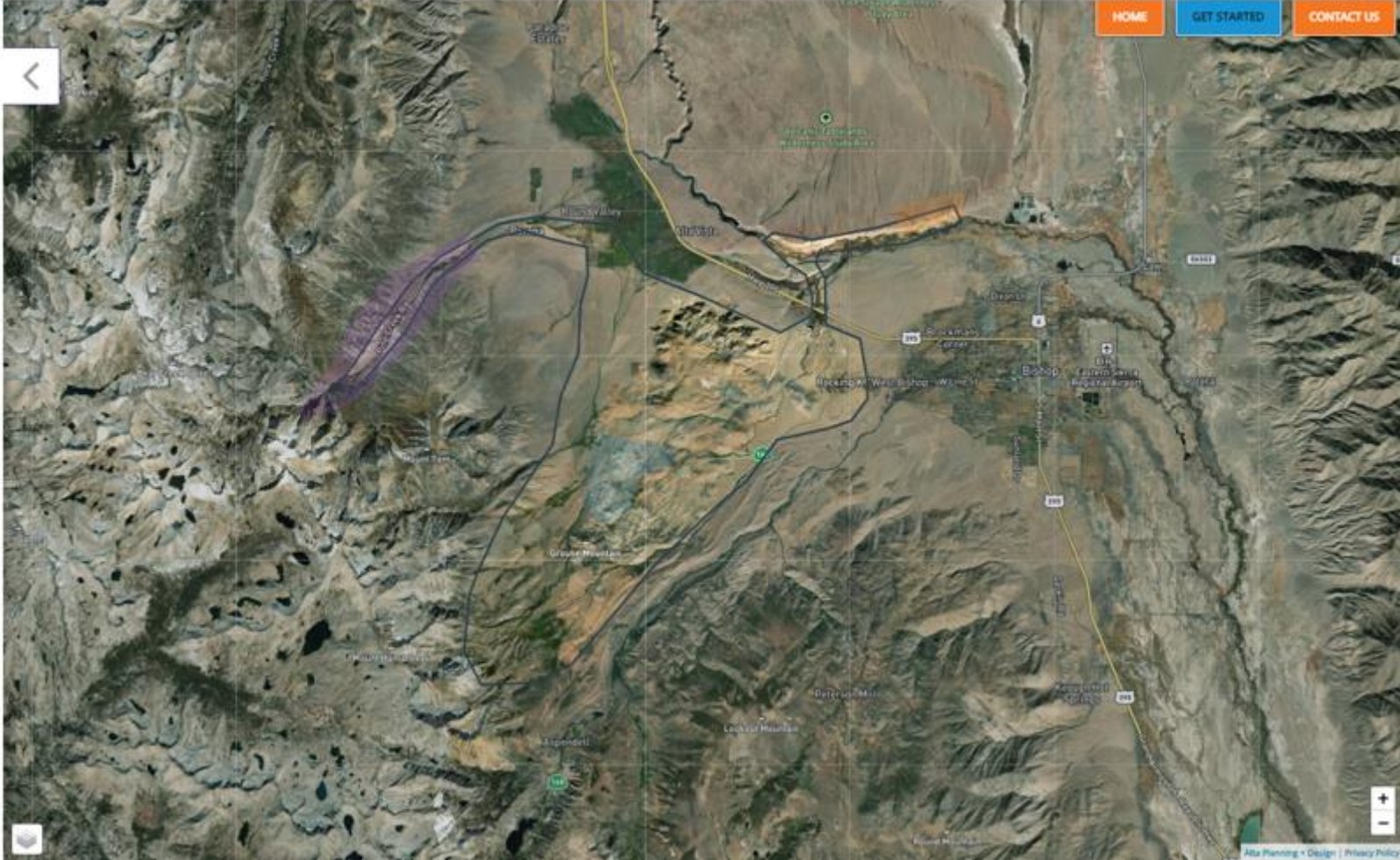
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1. How do you primarily recreate in the study area?

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BIRPI Public Meeting #1

- In Person
- Tuesday, August 22, 5:30-7:30PM
- Bishop





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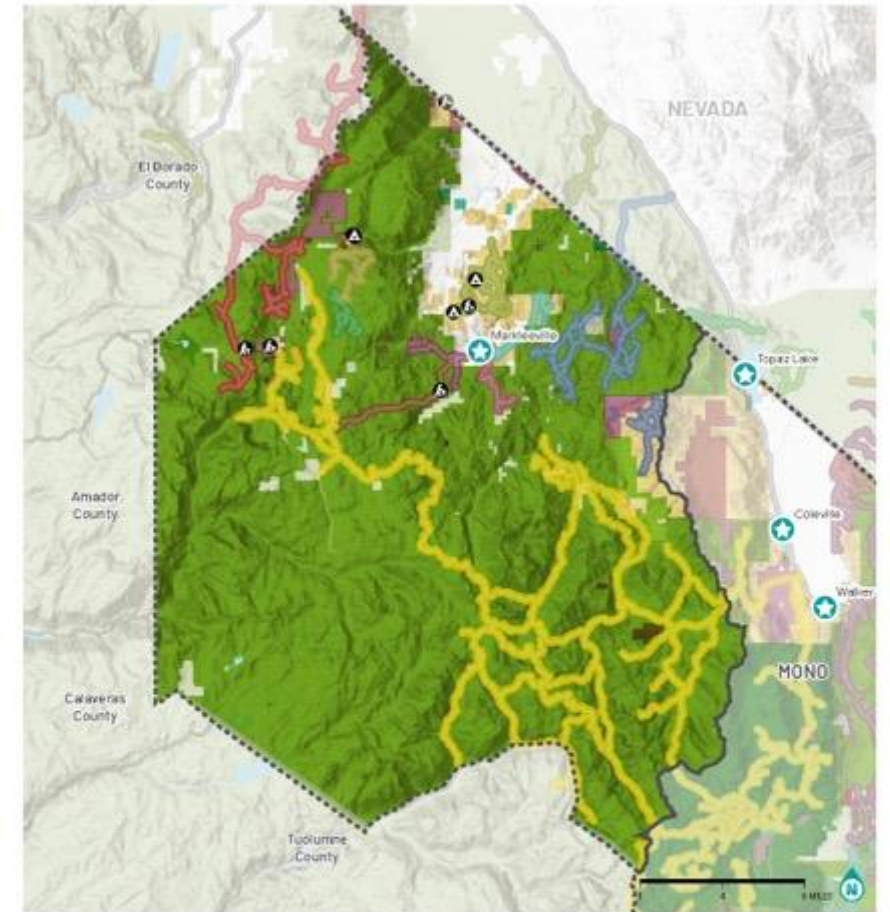
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Collaborative Planning

July – December 2023

- Existing Conditions
- Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats
- Potential Gap Closures
- Pilot Projects



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Collaborative Planning

Stakeholder Workshops

- In Person, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
- Inyo County: Monday August 21, Bishop
- Mono County: Wednesday August 23, Mammoth
- Alpine County: Thursday August 24, Markleeville

Timeline



Regional Updates

- **ESCOG Joint Powers Authority – *Elaine Kabala, ESCOG Executive Director***
 - **ESCOG Meetings**
 - June 15 in Mammoth Lakes: Actions
 - Next Meeting: August 17
 - **Sustainable Recreation + Ecosystem Management Program (SREMP)**
 - **Sustainable Recreation Projects**
 - BIRPI – Contractor Update
 - “Towns to Trails”: Contractor Update
 - **Ecosystem Management Projects**
 - **ESCCRP: Contractor Update**

Regional Updates



Partner Updates – In Alphabetical Order

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

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

Thank You - !

Next Regular ESSRP Partner Meeting

Monday September 11, 2023 @ 3:30 PM