Injunction sought to prevent Angora logging

Removing the charred trees from the Angora burn area next week may not happen.



Earth Island Institute's John Muir Project and the Center for Biological Diversity on July 20 filed a request for an emergency injunction in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

The conservation groups earlier this year had sued to stop the South Shore project, but lost in U.S. District Court earlier this month.

The U.S. Forest Service wants to get rid of the trees burned in the June 2007 fire that leveled 254 houses to prevent another catastrophic fire. The environmental groups say that work would destroy the habitat of the black-backed woodpecker.

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