

Tahoe National Forest back in business

The Tahoe National Forest has reopened many recreational facilities typically open at this time of year and is reinstating timber and stewardship contracts that had been suspended during the federal government shutdown.

People interested in learning whether a specific site is open should contact a local Forest Service office.

Concerning timber and stewardship contracts, resumption of operations will depend on factors such as weather, terrain conditions, and the readiness of contractors to mobilize.

Those recreating and working in the forest are asked to take extra precautions to reduce human-caused wildfire risk, especially as strong north to northeast winds predicted through the end of November are likely to cause unusually dry conditions. Anyone making campfires or operating mechanical equipment, such as chain saws or vehicles, should remember that heat and sparks can easily ignite dry grasses and pine needles.