

Legal Notice of Decision
Descanso District Unauthorized Route Decommissioning 2014

As the Responsible Official, I, Donn Christiansen, signed a Decision Memo (DM) on January 31, 2014, approving the Descanso District Unauthorized Route Decommissioning 2014 project. The project will decommission approximately three miles of unauthorized routes using barriers and surface roughening, resulting in a more natural appearing landscape and reduced environmental impacts to water, soil, and biological resources. The project will occur on the Descanso Ranger District of the Cleveland National Forest in the vicinity of the Buckman Springs Road exit off Interstate-8, approximately 5 miles south of Pine Valley, California in San Diego County (T16S. R5E. Sec. 20, 21, 28 and T16S. R4E. Sec. 25, 31, 36; San Bernardino Meridian).

The DM and supporting documents are available at http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=43149, with additional documents available upon request. Hard-copies are available at the Descanso Ranger District, 3348 Alpine Blvd. Alpine, CA 91901.

This decision is subject to appeal pursuant to the March 19, 2012 order issued by the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of California in Case No. CV F11-679LJO DLB. Only those individuals and organizations that submitted written or oral comments during the comment period are eligible to appeal. An appeal, including attachments, must be filed within 45 days following the publication date of this legal notice. Notices of appeal must meet the specific content requirements of 36 CFR 215.14. Names and addresses of appellants will become part of the public record.

Electronic appeals in common formats (.doc, .rtf, .pdf or .txt) may be submitted to: objections-cleveland@fs.fed.us with Subject: DRD Decommissioning 2014. Appeals may also be faxed to (858) 673-6192 to the attention of "APPEAL: DRD Decommissioning 2014," sent by mail to the following address, or hand-delivered during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays:

Forest Supervisor
ATTN: Appeals
Cleveland National Forest
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The appeal must have an identifiable name attached or verification of identity will be required. If no appeal is filed, implementation of this decision may begin on, but not before, the 5th business day following the close of the appeal-filing period. If an appeal is filed, implementation may occur on, but not before, the 15th business day following the date of appeal disposition.

For additional information concerning this decision, please contact: Russ Lajoie, Resource Officer at (619) 445-6235 or rlajoie@fs.fed.us.