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FRIENDS OF ELDORADO FORMED IN RESPONSE TO ROUTE CLOSURES
Mission is to work with Forest Service to maintain routes and educate forest users

In response to Eldorado National Forest's Draft Impact study, which may remove over 1,800 miles of routes in Eldorado National Forest (ENF), the non-profit group The Friends of Eldorado, (FOE) has been formed by the users of ENF. These users include a vast range of people including OHV users, hunters, campers, hikers, photographers, fishermen, etc.

The mission of FOE is to work closely with the Forest Service and various other organizations such as the Blue Ribbon Coalition and The Friends of the Rubicon to help maintain trails, roads and campsites in ENF through work-parties, forest and campsite clean-ups. A secondary goal of the organization will be to educate forest users on responsible use of the forest.

In less than 12 hours after the creation of FOE, the organization's website, www.friendsofeldorado.com, has received over 300 unique visits and has had 50 individuals join the organization. This is no small feat in that FOE went from inception to creation in less than one month.

"Friends of Eldorado is a welcome addition to our family of localized coalitions working to save our motorized access and fight unnecessary closures and restrictions," says Del Albright, Trail Boss Friends of the Rubicon (FOTR). "We stand proud with our new partners and look forward to preserving our Forest access for all the public," Del added.

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