

From: Carl Gwyn cgwyn@earthlink.net
Subject: Fwd: Dirt Roads Open April 1, but Damage Still Possible
Date: March 30, 2021 at 5:19 PM
To:



Begin forwarded message:

From: Eldorado National Forest <eldoradonfconnections@gmail.com>
Subject: Dirt Roads Open April 1, but Damage Still Possible
Date: March 30, 2021 at 5:07:43 PM PDT
To: cgwyn@earthlink.net
Reply-To: jennifer.chapman@usda.gov



U.S. Forest Service
Eldorado National Forest
100 Forni Road
Placerville, CA 95667
530-303-2412
www.fs.usda.gov/eldorado



News Release

For Immediate Release

March 30, 2021

Media Contact: Jennifer Chapman 530-957-9660

jennifer.chapman@usda.gov

www.facebook.com/EldoradoNF

Twitter: @EldoradoNF

Dirt Roads Open April 1, but Damage Still Possible

PLACERVILLE, Calif. - The seasonal closure of native surface roads (also known as dirt roads) in the Eldorado National Forest will be lifted beginning Thursday, April 1. However, damage could still occur from using dirt roads in wet areas and visitors will be responsible for any damage caused by inappropriate use.

Due to melting snow, wet areas will be present in the forest for some time, especially at higher elevations. Many routes change in elevation over several miles. Visitors are encouraged to be aware of changes in the conditions of the roads they are using, and to adjust travel plans if they reach a wet section.

The seasonal closure is designed to protect roadbeds and watersheds from damage and to protect water quality. A minimum three month closure period from January 1 through March 31 was designated for the core part of the wet season in the Eldorado National Forest Travel Management Plan. This plan also allows the seasonal dirt road closure to start earlier or be extended based on actual conditions in a given year.

The seasonal closure does not affect routes in the Rock Creek Area near Georgetown, which has its own wet weather route closure process.

Other road conditions reported today are as follows:

- Wentworth Springs Road - covered in snow between Uncle Tom's Cabin and Ice House Road
- Ice House Road - covered in snow north of the Loon Lake turnoff
- Mormon Emigrant Trail / Iron Mountain Road - snow and ice and ice gets thick beginning at Pilliken Road when travelling toward Highway 88 from Sly Park Road

For more information, contact our Visitor Services team from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Friday:

- Forest Supervisor's Office: 530-303-2412
- Placerville and Pacific Ranger Districts: 916-500-4712
- Amador Ranger District: 209-259-3774
- Georgetown Ranger District: 530-304-6177

- Georgetown Ranger District: 530-334-0477

###

The U.S.D.A Forest Service is an equal opportunity employer. The mission of the Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.

US Forest Service - Eldorado NF | 100 Forni Rd., Placerville, CA 95667

[Unsubscribe cgwyn@earthlink.net](mailto:cgwyn@earthlink.net)

[Update Profile](#) | [Customer Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by eldoradonfconnections@gmail.com powered by

