

# NEWS RELEASE

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## Sierra Nevada Conservancy Governing Board to meet in Paradise, CA, September 2-3

**Auburn** – The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) Governing Board will meet in Paradise in Butte County on September 2-3 for its quarterly board meeting.

On September 2, the board will take a tour of Paradise Lake and the Butte Fire Center. The tour will focus on joint efforts by Paradise Irrigation District, the U.S. Forest Service, and Butte County Fire Safe Council to reduce the risk of wildfire and maintain a healthy water source. The tour will also look at the past and future of the Butte Fire Center with presentations by CAL FIRE and the California Conservation Corps.

The field trip is scheduled to start at 1:00 p.m. at the parking lot of the Paradise Comfort Inn, located at 5475 Clark Road, Paradise, CA 95969. A reception will be held following the tour at the Gold Nugget Museum at 502 Pearson Road, Paradise, CA 95969.

The board meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on September 3 at the Paradise Elks Lodge, 1100 Elk Lane, Paradise, CA 95969. The Board will discuss updates and changes to the SNC Strategic Plan, hear about new research relative to the SNC and its activities, and receive an update on the progress of the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program.

The public is invited to attend all SNC events, however, lunch and transportation are not provided. Complete information on the meeting agenda, staff reports, and field trip are available online at [www.SierraNevada.ca.gov](http://www.SierraNevada.ca.gov).

### **About the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, Governing Board**

*Created in 2004, the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) is a state agency whose mission is to improve the environmental, economic, and social well-being of the Sierra Nevada Region. The SNC has awarded over \$50 million in grants for projects to protect and enhance the health of California's primary watersheds by improving forest health, remediating mercury contamination from abandoned mines, protecting critical natural resources, and reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire. Funding for these projects came from Proposition 84 passed by voters in 2006.*

*The SNC Governing Board meets quarterly around the Sierra Nevada Region, which spans 25 million acres, encompasses all or part of 22 counties, and runs from the*

*Oregon border on the north, to Kern County on the south. The Region is the origin of more than 60 percent of California's developed water supply.*

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