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Sierra Pacific Industries Reopens Its California Forestlands for Public Access

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Anderson, CA – With the reduced risk of extreme wildfire conditions, Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI) is reopening its California forestlands to public access. Closures will remain in place on SPI lands in the vicinity of the Carr, Hirz and Delta fires though 2019 to ensure the safety of the public and crews working to recover and restore the lands impacted by those fires.

"SPI takes its commitment to protecting our forest resources and public safety seriously," said Andrea Howell, SPI spokeswoman. "We thank the public for respecting these temporary closures. We are glad conditions have improved so that we can reopen our lands for responsible recreation."

SPI's public access policy allows for use of its California forestlands for hunting and other recreational activities, with many areas limited to non-motorized use for resource protection or public safety concerns. To learn more about the company's recreation access policies, visit <u>http://spi-ind.com/OurForests/RecreationAccess</u>.

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Sierra Pacific Industries is a third-generation, family-owned forest products company based in Anderson, California. The firm owns and manages nearly 2 million acres of timberland in California and Washington and is one of the largest lumber producers in the United States. The company also produces millwork, windows, and renewable energy.