

February 10, 2008

Mr. Red Emmerson
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Dear Mr. Emmerson,

As business leaders and admirers of the forests of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, we are deeply concerned about the clearcutting of one of America's premier ecological treasures and plans to clearcut over one million acres in this century. The iconic Sierra forests gave birth to the modern conservation movement through the travels and writings of John Muir, and every year, 40 to 50 million people visit them to hunt, hike, fish, bird, raft and ski. In addition, the Sierra is home to over 50% of California's plant and animal species, including imperiled species such as the Pacific Fisher and California Spotted Owl, as well as the source for 60% of California's water supply.

We believe in environmental stewardship and attempts to minimize the impact that our business has on the natural environment, including forests. We believe that it is sound business to practice truly sustainable logging as well as protecting the world's last Endangered Forests.

As Sierra Pacific Industries has stated plans to destroy Endangered Forests in the Sierra Nevada and practice unsustainable, massive clearcut-style logging there, we must state our concerns with your practices. We strongly urge you to

- Stop clearcut-style logging
- Obtain Forest Stewardship Council certification on your forests, the only credible standard for sustainable logging.
- Identify and stop logging of all Endangered Forests in the Sierra Nevada; Endangered Forests being some of the most important and unprotected habitat remaining including intact forest landscapes and areas for focal conservation species.

Signed by the following business in Alpine, Calaveras and Tuolumne Counties:

Acoustic Attics
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Agata Sulczynski, Attorney at Law
Alchemy
Alpine Construction
Angels Attic Antiques
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Arnold Tire

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Avery Woods Furniture
Bear Valley Cross Country
Bear Valley Real Estate
Belle Verde Gardens
Benjamin Fig
Bistro Espresso
Blooms and Things
Blue Coyote Café
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Bridges Construction	Murphys Nursery Fine Plants
Camp Connell General Store	Murphys Vacation Rentals
Capital Accounting Partners LLC	Needle in Motion
Charlene Vine Design	Newsome Harlow Winery
Colleens Corner	Orphan Annie's Emporium
Cordell's Steakhouse	Outer Aisle Foods
Country Flower Hutch	Pacific Log Home Care
Creative Environments	Paige One Events
Cummiskey's Quality Canvas Products, Inc.	Pain Management Center
Dorrington Hotel	Pamela's Shear Perfections
Dorrington Instruments	Paul Jacobsen MD
Earheart Enterprises	Payne Construction
Fine Things	Ponderosa Interiors
Firewood	Quantum Leap Coaching
Follies Fables	Quyle Kilns
Foothill Printing	Rebecca Dykstra Design
GardenKeeper	Rusty Bear
Giant Burger	S and R Enterprises
Gold Country Coffee	Sac a Main
Grounds	Sam Snead Real Estate
Harbinger Gallery	Sellers Dental Arts
Harbinger Magazine	Septic Care Inc.
Hardy Custom Builders	Shanti Guitars
Harmon Gardens	Sharon S. Armstrong, PhD.
Helping Hands	Shears Marie Salon
Hibernation Stoves and Spas	Shirt Tales
High Fire Studios	Sierra American Real Estate
Highland Books	Sierra Nevada Adventure Company
Il Rifugio	Sierra Sentry
Jay Tee Kennels	Sierra Styles
Keep It Simple Book	Skeez Cutting Image
Kristines	Sublime Clothing
Lost Hills Nursery	Sustenance Books
Mad About Shoes	Sweet Peas
Maddon Company Builders	Table Mountain Garden
Marygold	Tallahans Restaurant
Michelle's Hair, Beauty, You	Tea an'Tiques
MJ Klimenko, Psychotherapy	Ted Bunge Cabinets
Moon Alley	The Art Gallery in Murphys
Mountain Adventure Seminars	The Enchanted Workshop
Mountain Media	The Mountain Chronicle
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Murphys Cab Co.	Therapeutic Massage
Murphys Grille	Tim Magnuson DDS
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