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Dear Permit Applicants,

This letter is to include and invite you to participate in the new approach the Truckee Ranger District of the Tahoe National Forest is implementing for our Recreation Special Uses program. Beginning this winter, the Truckee Ranger District will be implementing a new Temporary Recreation Event and outfitting and guide permitting process. Temporary special use permits authorize non-complex, short term, non-renewable special use activities.

Per this new permitting process, the Truckee Ranger district will be implementing direction from the Forest Service Handbook 2709.11, 41.53b. This direction includes the following objectives:

- Provide for Outfitting and Guiding services that address concerns of public health and safety and that foster successful small businesses consistent with the applicable land management plans
- Facilitate greater participation in the Outfitting and Guiding program by organizations and businesses that work with youth and educational groups
- Encourage skilled and experienced individuals and entities to conduct Outfitting and Guiding activities in a manner that protects environmental resource and ensures that national forest visitors receive high-quality services

With these objectives in mind, using Forest Service Handbook direction, the Truckee Ranger District has performed a needs and capacity analysis, updated our outfitting and guiding requirements and standards, and created a winter and summer open application period for special use proposals. This open application process for temporary recreation special use permits is as follows:

- 2016 Summer activities. Open application period is March 1st -31st
- 2016/17 Winter activities. Open application period is Fall 2016 (date TBA)
- Application information can be found http://www.fs.fed.us/specialuses/index.shtml or contact the Truckee Ranger District at (530) 587-3558
- Applications may be emailed to jgroom@fs.fed.us. Hard copy applications may be submitted to the Truckee Ranger District at 10811 Stockrest Springs Rd, Truckee CA, 96161. ATTN: Recreation Special Uses.
- Fully completed applications must be received by 4:30pm on March 31st in order to be considered for the 2017 summer season

I would like to thank you for your participation in this new process. My staff and I look forward to reviewing your application package.

Sincerely,

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