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Southern California Edison Forestry
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Dinkey Landscape Restoration Project

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Dinkey Landscape

The Dinkey Landscape Restoration Project is a science-based, ecological restoration initiative covering 154,000 acres in the southern Sierra Nevada Range of California. Climbing from 1,000 to over 10,000 feet in elevation, the mountainous landscape weaves coniferous and hardwood forests together with meadows, lakes, rivers, and riparian forests. This area is home to Lahontan cutthroat trout, a Federally-listed threatened species, and Pacific fisher, Yosemite toad, and Sierra yellow-legged frog, all of which are candidates for listing. Much of the project area has experienced a lack of regular fire that historically shaped the vegetation, resulting in altered forest composition and higher fuel loadings. Every summer, approximately 5,000 homes, clustered in four communities, risk uncharacteristic wildfire.



Vision for the Dinkey Landscape



The greater Dinkey community, including California Native American Tribes and youth, works together with Sierra National Forest to:

- Restore and maintain ecosystems adapted to fire, and their natural fire regimes;
- Promote ecosystem diversity, habitat connectivity, and landscape integrity;
- Maintain viable populations of the full complement of fish and wildlife;
- Protect fundamental ecosystem and watershed functions; and
- Increase ecosystem resilience to stressors, thereby improving the ability of ecosystems, habitats, or species to cope with climate change impacts.

Rural communities and Californians benefit from the following:

- Lower wildfire management costs;
- Opportunities to recreate and enjoy nature;
- A clean and plentiful supply of water;
- Cultural and sacred resources that are protected;
- Clean air, and enhanced public health and safety;
- Meaningful employment and viable businesses;
- A sustainable supply of woody biomass and small-diameter trees;
- An affordable and sustainable system of roads; and
- A viable tourism industry and vibrant local cultures.