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# News Release

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## **Entries still being accepted for Wilderness Photography Contest**

**Yreka, CA-** Entries are still being accepted for a Wilderness Photo Contest in celebration of the Wilderness Act 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Photographers may submit their own original work at any of the Klamath National Forest Ranger District Offices by close of business Monday, October 6.

Photos submitted must feature a subject within a wilderness. Any wilderness can be featured including our local wilderness: Red Buttes, Marble Mountain, Russian, Trinity Alps and Mt. Shasta. Subjects can be related to scenery, wildlife, plants, livestock, people enjoying the wilderness, as long as it's in a designated wilderness. Multiple winners may be selected in two age class categories: 17 and under as well as 18 and over. Winners will be awarded prize ribbons and given the opportunity to have their work featured in a show at the Klamath Siskiyou Arts Center in Happy Camp.

Entries must be the exhibitor's own work. Photos should be submitted as an 8"x10" print. Mats, mounting board and illustration board are acceptable and may be of any color, but may not exceed 11"x14". Please do not use foam-core board, picture frames, glass or hanging devices.

Photos will be displayed and judged at the "Wilderness Treasures – Celebrating 50 Golden Years!" event being held at the Tehama County Fairgrounds in Red Bluff, Oct. 10-12, 2014.

The local Back Country Horsemen Top of the State Chapter will be part of the Wilderness Treasures celebration that will feature exhibits, workshops, enactments, product demonstrations, music, camping and more. "We anticipate this celebration will be a 'one stop shop' for wilderness information for residents across Northern California," said Klamath National Forest Supervisor Patty Grantham. "We look forward to sharing information about our role in conserving our wilderness and providing opportunities for people to enjoy them."

Signed into law in September 1964, the Wilderness Act set aside 9.1 million acres for the use and benefit of the American people. Because of the nation's support for protecting lands in an undisturbed state, Congress subsequently added more than 100 million acres to this unique land preservation system.

The Wilderness Act defines “Wilderness” as areas where the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man, where the primary forces of nature are in control and where man himself is a visitor who does not remain.

The “Wilderness Treasures – Celebrating 50 Golden Years!” event will provide a showcase for natural resources agencies including the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and National Park Service, to showcase the distinction, breadth of landscape and ecological diversity of the wilderness they manage.

More information about the event can be found on the event webpage at:  
[www.facebook.com/NorCalWilderness50thCelebration](http://www.facebook.com/NorCalWilderness50thCelebration) or email [norcalwilderness50@gmail.com](mailto:norcalwilderness50@gmail.com)

More information about the photo contest and entry forms can be found on the Klamath National Forest Webpage at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/klamath/>

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