

# LAW ENFORCEMENT

## A VISION

People feel safe and comfortable while they are on the Forest. The shareholders in the Carson know that their natural resources are protected from loss and damage.

This looks into the future, although some may be happening now. It is stated in the "present tense" as if it is already that way. This gives a feel of where we are heading. It paints a general picture with a broad brush.

## MANAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Provide safety for Forest visitors through use and enforcement of appropriate laws, closures, or other management techniques.
- Protect natural resources and Federal property from loss or damage through illegal acts, and protect Forest Service employees while conducting their official duties.

This snaps a more detailed picture. It gives a feel of the intent, purpose and goals. It is the framework for the standards and guidelines.

## Setting The Stage

Enforcement of Federal laws and regulations, on National Forest lands, is the responsibility of the U.S.D.A. Forest Service. However, State and local law enforcement agencies have the same authorities and responsibilities on National Forest lands as they do elsewhere in their respective jurisdictions.

The Carson cooperates to the fullest extend possible with the various federal, state, county and local agencies wihtin or adjacent to the Forest.

## Standards And Guidelines

**COOP...** Cooperate with Taos and Rio Arriba Counties for law enforcement.

**LEVEL FOUR AGENTS...** Law enforcement support for six Ranger Districts.

## **C. Forest-wide Prescriptions**

**YOUR NOTES...**