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Safety and Health

Forest Service Safety and Health Program



FOREST SERVICE SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT

Excellence in Safety Management

As a world-class leader in natural resources management, the Forest Service has a responsibility to protect its most valuable resource – our employees. I share a commitment with my National Leadership Team to provide for the safety and well being of every employee and for the public we serve.

The success of the Forest Service's mission depends on how effectively we incorporate safety and health into our culture and our daily behavior. Including safety and health in the planning and execution of our daily business ensures our employees are provided with working environments that enhance their ability to accomplish the Forest Service mission. We must take a proactive, inclusive approach in designing work projects and activities, and in developing supporting policies and procedures to ensure that our employees are never in "harms way."

In the Forest Service, safety is more than just a word. Safety is:

"The Relentless Pursuit of Employee Protection"

My support of the safety and health program is unquestionable. Safety is both a personal and a Forest Service responsibility. Therefore, I expect every manager, supervisor, and employee to do everything possible to ensure zero tolerance for placing employees at risk and for providing the public a safe environment within the National Forest System lands.

"Caring for the Land and Serving People"

/s/ Dale N. Bosworth
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