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Subject: Sugar Pine Mine Incident

All,

A reaction by mining activists and supporters to a letter of non-compliance on the Sugar Pine Mine west of Galice is generating media interest and some level of preparedness on behalf of the BLM and Forest Service. Armed private citizens have gathered at the mine.

The claimants were given notice of corrective actions, and notified of their legal right to appeal the non-compliance decision. BLM is committed to follow the administrative remedies available to the claimants.

To keep our employees from a chance and potentially unsafe encounter, we have requested that both BLM and Forest Service employees avoid the Peavine Mountain area in and around the Sugar Pine Mine.

Please know that social media sites and the associated sites on the internet in general are being monitored for information and threatening language. In the interest of employee safety, please refrain from circulating emails about this situation, but instead direct those to E6 [REDACTED]. If you have further concerns, please contact me at my cell (E6 [REDACTED]) or my desk at 541-618-2438.

Thanks.

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