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Sequoia National Forest Campgrounds On Upper Kern River to Reopen

Kernville, California, August 31, 2016 – Sequoia National Forest (SQF) campgrounds along the Upper Kern River (Mountain 99) **will re-open at 6:00 p.m. today.** All SQF overnight camping has been closed previously for public safety, due to the the potential impacts from the Cedar Fire.

Both designated and dispersed campgrounds will reopen to overnight use, north of Kernville. For those with reservations through the National Recreation Reservation Service, please contact California Land Management at (760) 376-1815.

A visitor information booth, located at Mt. 99 and Riverkern, will be open for the upcoming Labor Day weekend. Operating hours will be Friday, September 2nd through Sunday, September 4th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Kernville Ranger Station will be open Saturday, September 3rd, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will close Sunday and Monday, during the Labor Day Holiday. The office will return to winter hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 to 4:30 p.m. commencing Tuesday, Sept. 6th.

Fire management and operations personnel hold firefighter and public safety as top priority. We understand the hardship the closure has placed on your ability to make holiday camping plans, and we thank you for your patience.

For additional information, please call the Kernville Ranger Station at (760) 376-3781, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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