

United States Forest Service Law Enforcement and Investigations

US FOREST SERVICE ENFORCEMENT OVERVIEW ILEA – Botswana 2018



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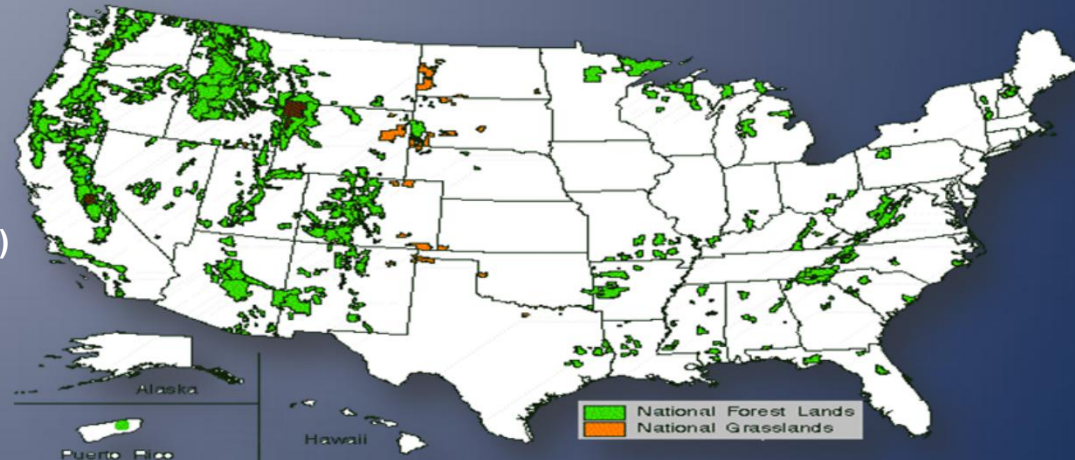
Forest Service Mission

To Sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's Forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.

**Protecting the Public,
Employees, and
Natural Resources
Since 1905**



-  193 Million Acres, 9.5% of Continental United States
-  155 National Forests/20 National Grasslands
-  383,000 Miles of Road
-  > 36,000 authorized activities (pipelines, water treatment, power lines, hydro-dams, elec. Sites, etc.)
-  > 500 Million Visits/Year
-  > 1,000 miles of contiguous NFS along international borders
-  Multiple Use Concept
-  50% of Western Water Supply
-  > 30,000 Employees Nationwide
(approx. 650 field law enforcement personnel)





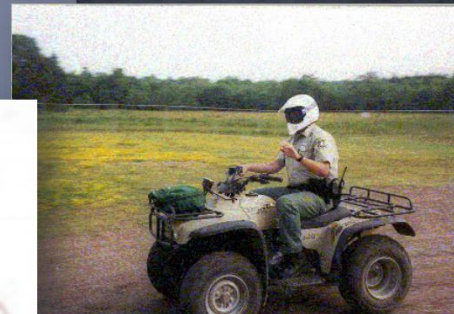
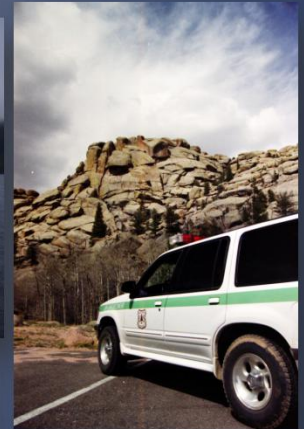


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Uniformed Law Enforcement Officers enforce Federal laws and regulations governing NFS lands and resources, as well as provide for public and employee safety. They establish a regular and recurring presence on the vast amount of public lands, roads, and recreation sites.

- Prevent and Detect Resource Crimes
- Respond to Crimes in Progress
- General Forest Patrol
- Search and Rescue
- Controlled Substance Enforcement
- Accident Investigation



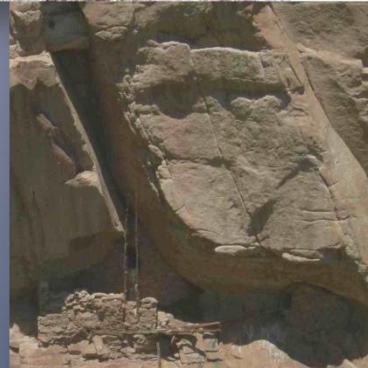


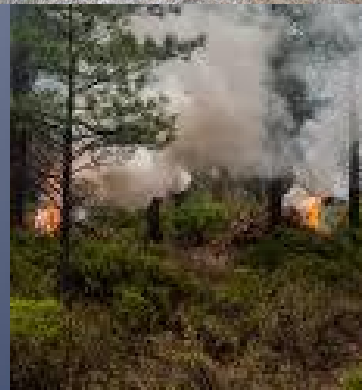
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Special Agents are criminal investigators who plan and conduct complex investigations concerning possible violations of criminal law and administrative provisions of the Forest Service

- Timber/Forest Product Theft
- Manufacture & Distribution of Controlled Substance
- Wildland Arson and Fire
- Theft of Government Property
- Illegal outfitter and guiding
- Domestic or Eco-Terrorism
- Theft / Damage to Archeological Sites







Primary US Environmental Agencies

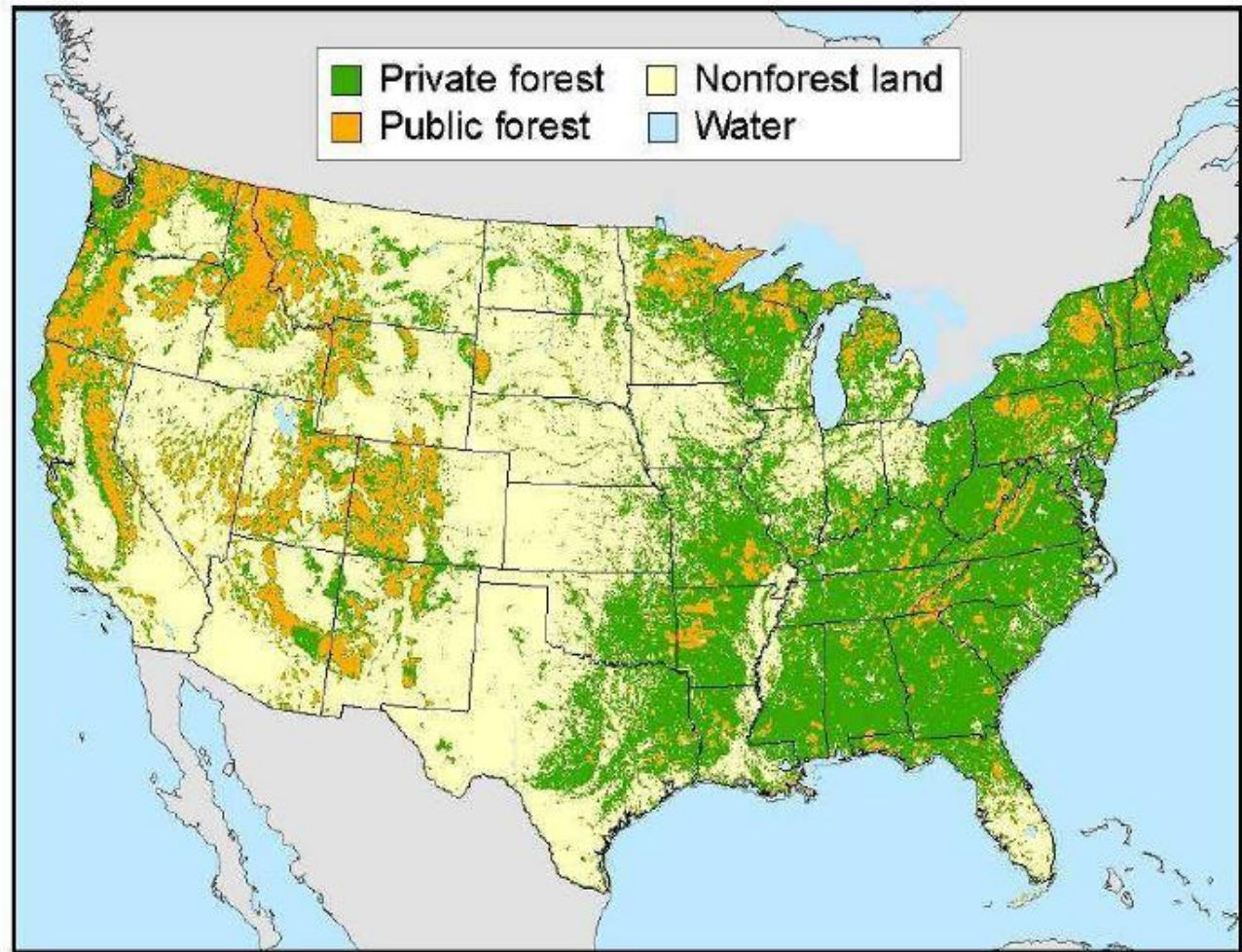
- Environmental Protection Agency
- US Forest Service
- National Park Service
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Bureau Of Land Management
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- Bureau of Reclamation
- US Coast Guard



Significant US Environmental Laws

- Lacey Act
- Endangered Species Act
- Marine Mammal Protection Act
- Migratory Bird Protection Act
- Clean Water Act
- Clean Air Act

Layered Approach to Resource Protection



Natural Resources Management in the United States

