## TAHOE-CENTRAL SIERRA INITIATIVE

Using innovative approaches to restore the health of Tahoe-Central Sierra watersheds



Why here?

The watersheds of the Tahoe-Central Sierra area are crucial for downstream communities, agricultural interests, recreation, and the environment. Californians cherish this iconic landscape, but it's in peril.

The need for action is urgent. The forests of the Tahoe-Central Sierra are dangerously overcrowded with brush and small trees, making them highly vulnerable to large, severe wildfires, erosion, and insect outbreaks. The science is clear: we need to increase the pace and scale of ecologically based forest management for the benefit of nature and people.

Why now?

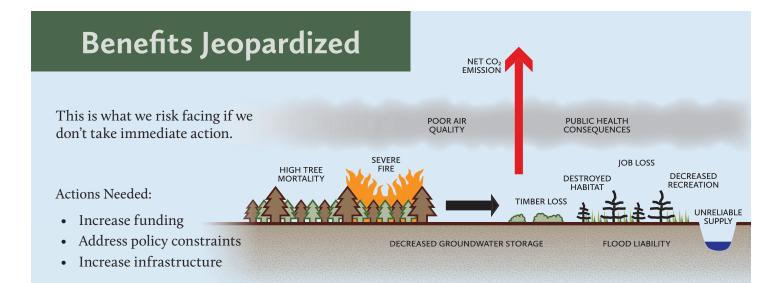
We can protect the Tahoe-Central Sierra area before it's too late.



Large, damaging fires like the King Fire in Eldorado National Forest The southern Sierra has been decimated by bark beetles. cause massive sediment, erosion, and degraded wildlife habitat.



Without swift action, the north will soon follow suit.



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