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U.S. Forest Service conducts exercise at Avocado Lake

CLOVIS, Calif., March 10, 2016 – For Immediate Release – The Sierra National Forest is conducting an annual Emergency Vehicle Operating training (EVOT) March 23rd at Avocado Lake in Fresno California between 9am and 5pm.

The objective of this training is to provide training for safe and effective use of red lights and sirens and amber emergency lights for our upcoming fire season. The Sierra National Forest plans to accomplish this by referencing the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standard contained in NFPA 1451 and NFPA 1002 as guidance for the program management training and certification of wildland fire emergency vehicles.

This annual Forest training for emergency vehicles operators involve the use of various classes of vehicles using the red lights and sirens. This training will play a vital role in the upcoming fire season. As we approach another warm summer the Forest Service and other Fire Personnel will seek to maintain qualifications.

Areas around Avocado Lake can expect to hear sirens and air horns, off and on throughout the day, during the hours identified. For questions and concerns about the training the public may contact the Sierra National Forest at 559-297-0706 or High Sierra Ranger District 559-855-5355.

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