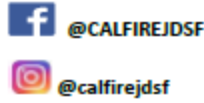


# CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection  
**Jackson Demonstration State Forest**



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## Mendocino Unit

### **PUBLIC NOTICE (ORDER OF CLOSURE) TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE**

#### **Little Lake-Sherwood Trail – Brandon Gulch June 2<sup>nd</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Mendocino County, CA** – The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is partnering with Mendocino Land Trust and the California Conservation Corps to add pieces of large wood to Brandon Gulch, a tributary to the North Fork of the South Fork (NFSF) Noyo River. The project starts at the confluence of Brandon Gulch and the NFSF Noyo River and parallel with the Little Lake-Sherwood Trail.

This section of the Little Lake-Sherwood Trail will be closed starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. Closure area signage will be placed at trailheads of Road 360 and 1000.

JDSF contains important habitat for threatened and endangered listed fish species within the Noyo and Big River watersheds, including Coho salmon and steelhead. Many creeks and rivers that support these fish are deficient in large wood. Several non-profits and agencies are working with CAL FIRE to implement restoration projects aimed at improving habitat. These projects will add pieces of large wood within the stream channel— increasing spawning habitat and creating pools for fish to rest and avoid predation.

This notice is in accordance with Sections 1438 and 1439, Title 14, of the California Code of Regulations to ensure the health and safety of the public.

For additional information, including a map of JDSF, please contact our office or the website listed below.

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