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CLIMATE CHANGE: FOREST SERVICE KEY CONTACTS

Note: This is a working list of key contacts for persons seeking more information about Forest Service actions on climate change. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list, but rather a list of potential first points of contact for information-seekers who are not sure where to start within the agency. For each contact, there is a brief indication of their principal role in the Forest Service response to climate change.

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