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File Code: 1950

**Date:** March 18, 2024

## Dear Interested Parties:

The Angeles National Forest (ANF) is seeking comments on the enclosed Proposed Action for the Crystal Lake High Value Tree Protection Project. The Proposed Action is to spray the boles of selected high value trees with the insecticide bifenthrin to prevent the further spread of western pine beetle, protect public safety, and ensure continued access to the highly popular Crystal Lake recreation area. For a detailed description of the project, please refer to the attached document.

## How to Comment and Timeframe

The project is in the scoping stage of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis. This scoping notice is intended to provide an opportunity for the affected or interested parties to express any concerns regarding the Proposed Action. If you have information the Forest Service may not be aware of, or believe you have issues regarding potential effects of this Proposed Action, please submit your comments by 11:59 pm on Thursday, March 28.

Comments can be sent via mail or hand-delivered to Monument Resource Officer Edgar Hermosillo, San Gabriel Mountains National Monument, 110 N. Wabash Rd., Glendora, CA 91741. The office business hours for those providing hand-delivered or oral comments are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as email, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc) to: edgar.hermosillo@usda.gov using the subject: Crystal Lake High Value Tree Protection Project.

For further information regarding the Proposed Action, contact Edgar Hermosillo at (626)250-3477 or via email at <a href="mailto:edgar.hermosillo@usda.gov">edgar.hermosillo@usda.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Monument Manager



