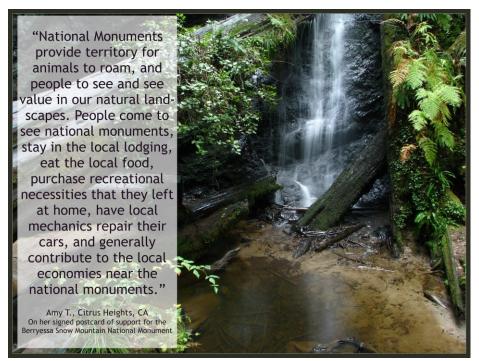


Comments on the 2017 Online Postcards of Support Requesting and Demanding the Protection of the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument



- 1. We love Berryessa Snow Mountain! It's wilderness and beauty close to urban areas.
- 2. National Monuments / Parks / Recreation Areas...all of them belong to all of us and need to be protected for the betterment of us all.
- 3. Californians worked long and hard to establish the national monuments in this state. It was by the will of the people that national monuments like the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument were brought before congress and the president of the United

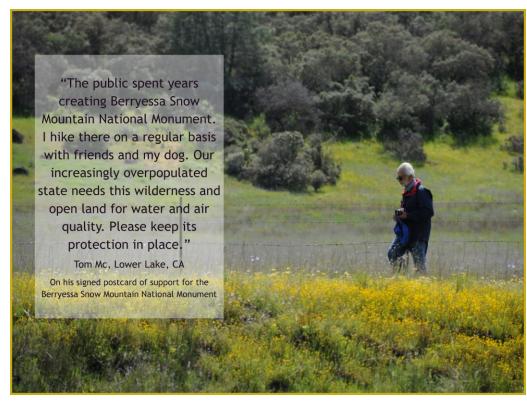
States, and subsequently designated. Donald Trump's initiative to attack these monuments is an attack on the people of California and the United States. He is seeking to circumvent our will to satisfy his own ego-driven greed. That will NOT stand. I OPPOSED any changes to the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument and the other national monuments in our nation.

- 4. Please protect a unique and wonderful treasure, the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument for my family and future generations to enjoy!
- 5. It takes one stroke of the pen to undo what took years to accomplish. Our natural resources are the precious results of such efforts. Donald Trump, don't be an un-doer, be a proactive leader, who continues to preserve unspoiled land or restores spoiled land for future generations. I cannot imagine the U.S.A. without treasures like Yosemite, Yellowstone Park or with recent opportunities of outdoor adventure like the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument.
- 6. I think our national monuments are treasures that need to be protected for this and all future generations. Please DO NOT remove the protections that are in place, now or EVER.



- 7. Our wild lands belong to all of us. They are great for local economies and foster a connection to the environment which the current administration seems to want to destroy.
- 8. ALL 8 of these California monuments must be protected in perpetuity. I was at the most recent Snow Mountain dedication, just last year, and it was wonderful to see this area near me protected and the wonderful turnout there was that day. Please do not let the powers that be continue with their misguided rampage against our national monuments all over this grand country!
- 9. As the climate warms, many animals will need to be able to move further north in order to survive. The BSMNM provides just such a connecting pathway for such animals. Last year I had the privilege of seeing a fisher a very rare animal in the BSMNM. I was thrilled to both see it and know that it had a wilderness area that was protected where it could live and thrive. PLEASE SAVE OUR NM WHICH HAS BEEN ESSENTIALLY UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED BY ALL THE PEOPLE, TOWNS, CITIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND POLITICAL PARTIES IN THE SURROUNDING REGION !!! PLEASE SUPPORT ALL OUR RECENT NATIONAL MONUMENTS IN CA AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY. WE NEED TO PROTECT THESE AREAS FOR OUR OURSELVES AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.
- 10. Keep your hands OFF public lands. They are meant for all not just a greedy few.
- 11. Please preserve the Snow Mountain National Monument and the other National Monuments currently under review in their current configuration. These national monuments have enormous cultural, scenic, recreational, and economic benefits for all Americans and for our foreign visitors as well. They enhance our quality of life and represent a grand treasure that we can preserve for future generations to enjoy. I strongly urge you to leave them just as they are now -- the best part of America the beautiful.
- 12. This monument was supported through a wonderful collaborative effort among multiple counties and countless community members with diverse views and interests. Now the Monument is a source of regional pride, a draw for visitors, and a motivation to plan and act at the regional scale.
- 13. National monuments protect our nations shared sacred spaces and are also non-polluting economic drivers for remote and rural communities
- 14. Please protect Berryessa Snow Mountain and all existing national monuments.
- 15. National Monuments are protected, because of outstanding natural or cultural resources they embody. Their designation helps preserve their special characters for the generations to come. They are part of our national heritage. Snow Mountain is an incredibly diverse area. Camping at Bear Creek, you can walk through, riparian corridors, grassland, chaparral, pine forests, oak forests, all within a half mile of camp. It is the seasonal home of many neotropical migrant birds such as Thompsons Warbler, Yellow Warbler, Lazuli Bunting, Black Headed Grosbeak, and so many more. This area is part of who I am.
- 16. Our wild places are needed for the betterment of all American people. What are we as a nation without the beauty and freedom of the wild backcountry?
- 17. Please protect our National Parks and National Monuments for ourselves and the generations to come who will enjoy them.
- 18. This is our incredible backyard. The biodiversity is amazing, the recreational opportunities limitless, and the Monument has widespread local support. BSMNM deserves the permanent protection that Monument status would provide.

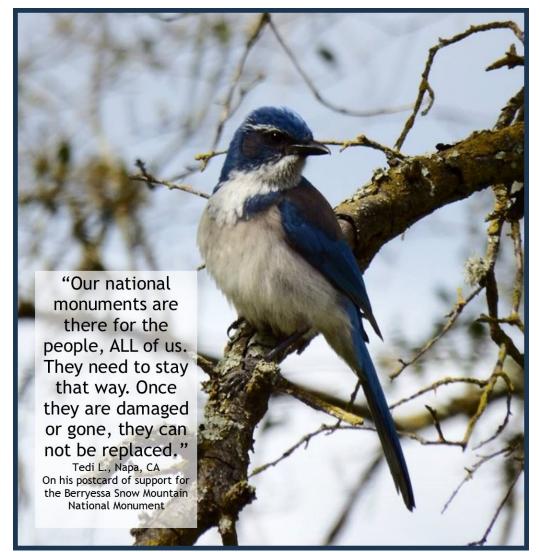
19. National monuments matter. Being in nature, enjoying wilderness, soaking up natural beauty are all important parts of being American and being a Californian. I am grateful to the people who came before me and worked to preserve this beautiful open space near me called Berrvessa Snow Mountain. That effort should be regarded as important...and not for sale. Think of your own children and grandchildren. Work on their behalf. We need more natu-



ral beauty that is protected...not less. Thank you.

- 20. Our national monuments and public lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to rollback protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument in my home state of California is one of the treasures of our state. The region is the crown jewel of Northern California's wild inner Coast Range. It is one of the most biologically diverse, yet least known regions of California. Located less than one hundred miles from the Sacramento and Bay Area metropolitan regions, the area is a dazzling outdoor wonderland rich in unique natural features and loaded with recreational opportunities. These public lands stretch nearly one hundred miles from the shores of Lake Berryessa to the flanks of Snow Mountain. This region provides wonderful opportunities to hike, horseback ride, hunt, camp, fish and birdwatch, use motorized vehicles in designated areas, enjoy both motorized and non-motorized boating and water recreation, and more.
- 21. Our natural lands must be protected and treasured to provide benefits to the environment, enjoyment of the wilderness and beautiful natural landscapes by current and future generations, and to provide a living legacy for all. It is not the will of the people to destroy irreplaceable natural environments for the temporary benefit of a select few.
- 22. As the pace with which we destroy the land and beauty of California and the nation accelerates, it is increasingly clear that some vestige must be preserved for our own sense of patriotic love of country. The land we protect from exploitation reminds us of our better selves.
- 23. A broad coalition of local and regional interests have come together to create the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument providing economic, cultural and natural resource benefits to our citizens. We are opposed to any reductions to the preservation of any of the California National Monuments.
- 24. Leave my parks and monuments alone.

- 25. Like all of our priceless National Monuments, our newly protected Berryessa Snow Mountain is a unique treasure. It should be permanently protected. These Monuments provide many benefits: ecosystem protection, recreation and education, and especially awe-inspiring experiences of the great natural heritage with which our country is blessed. Protecting this heritage is a proper project for all of us to pursue. Please lead, not undermine, efforts to protect the lands and waters of our beloved country. Permanently protect these national treasures!
- 26. Our national natural treasures must be preserved for ourselves, our children and our posterity. Please be sure they are protected permanently.
- 27. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a local and national treasure. It has unique and irreplaceable microhabitats that protect biological diversity and provides educational and research opportunities from K-12 to university levels. In addition, it is an important recreational resource for many people in the surrounding counties. Please Continue to Protect our National Monuments.
- 28. National Monuments should be protected in perpetuity. They have been given protected status by our elected representatives for many good reasons. They are jewels in our regional crowns. We need these open spaces to safeguard our natural resources for the health of the planet and for all of us on it-our physical AND our mental health. Just knowing they are there is comforting to many who may not even access them. Save Berryessa Snow Mountain and all our other National Monuments!
- 29. National monuments are an important part of our national heritage. They provide some of the most "American" places to visit and feel connected with our country. Please keep them protected and supported. Thank you.
- 30. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is truly one of the great treasures of California (and the country). All of California's national monuments are important and should be remain permanently protected. National monuments bring enormous benefits to California by protecting special landscapes, nurturing education, protecting clean water, providing recreational activities, and supporting local economies through outdoor recreation and ecotourism.
- 31. We were thrilled when the long effort to protect the Berryessa Snow Mountain region was recognized. The national monument is within easy reach of a large population that wants to be outdoors, and its Inner North Coast range habitats have been less known and undervalued. I've worked on plant lists for two areas within the monument and thus have hiked those parts repeatedly.
- 32. Stop Trump from destroying our national our national monuments!
- 33. National Monuments, Parks and Reserves are for the benefit of all, both existing and future generations.
- 34. Preserve our national monuments!
- 35. The changes in the protections of National Monuments in order to make them more amenable to economic development is short-sighted and misguided. These monuments form the core of national pride for our natural and cultural heritage. Teddy Roosevelt, a Republican, understood the value of such lands in setting up the National Park system, as did subsequent presidents in inspiring Wilderness and Monument designations. Please do not yield these protections in order for short term profit to be made- once these lands are disturbed by mining, logging and real estate development, they cannot be remade. For myself, Berryessa and Sequoia Monuments hold many dear memories of beautiful landscapes that exemplify the richness of the American outdoors. Please preserve them- there are other lands already designated for economic activity- why add these small but critical protected spaces, with little overall advantage to the county, to the large heap- only a FEW will benefit.



36. We need to protect our national monuments because they contain national treasures. Some of these treasures are in the form of historical sites and some are unique ecosystems. If we allow these national monuments to be dissolved, we risk losing things that can never be restored or replaced. I enjoy hiking in the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. The Carrizo Plain National Monument had one of the most spectacular wildflower blooms this spring. I want to ensure that these experiences will be there for future generations.

37. These monuments are places of peace that remind us that we are capable of preserving beauty. Not everything is about human profit.

- 38. National Monuments are appropriate designations for special lands with unique resources that should be preserved for our nations posterity. Please do not roll back protections on these precious places. I live near the Snow Mountain NM and have recreated their over the years with many other visitors. To remove protection at this time in our Nations development, when so few untrammeled spaces exist would be a an act of craven infamy. We have crowded too many objectives, for conservation, recreation and ecosystem services such as air and water purification onto fewer and fewer acres. Our ecosystems are near the breaking point. Please, if you must leave a mark upon our heritage, make sure it points to greater concern for all living things that depend upon intact healthy ecosystems. That's all of us. All we have is our health. Everything else is dust.
- 39. Berryessa Snow Mountain is a national treasure. So is the Carrizo Plane. This monument is the last remaining fragment of the valley ecosystem and should be protected due to its unique habitat of native species. We need our monuments to ensure biodiversity as well as other human and wildlife needs.
- 40. This is the right thing to do for the earth and the children. Let's protect!
- 41. I believe these national monuments are worthy of protection, and contribute substantially to our country's richness, both in terms of natural beauty and in terms of the tourism that they create. Please keep them as they are! Protecting natural and historical treasures like these is deeply engrained in American values, and we would all be poorer for their loss.

- 42. Monuments need to be protected. Once gone, they can never be restored.
- 43. These are beautiful places we can all enjoy. I love to hike in the wildflowers at Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. Please keep these places protected for us.
- 44. I have been to Berryessa Snow Mountain and it should be a national monument. We must protect our land. Also, it would be illegal to undo the Monument status.
- 45. People work very hard to bring these valuable natural assets to the elected officials attention. Many hours of research and meetings with all interested parties are had to prove the value to our national heritage of these lands before the designation. We should support these efforts and not go backwards. Our nation is known worldwide for the value we place on our natural and cultural resources. Let us continue to be leaders in this endeavor for the world and future generations.
- 46. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is an important part of this region for its people, for its economy, and for its natural bio diversity. When you send someone a postcard you do not send a picture of a pipeline, or of the newest highway construction. National Monuments help protect unique and important places for future generations and are a cornerstone in what makes California, and the USA, a great place to live.
- 47. I am incensed that Trump and the Interior Secretary are trying to roll back protections for our national monuments. They are taking us backwards instead of protecting our natural heritage for the future. As a biologist, ecologist and environmental educator, I know how important it is to preserve natural areas for both our planet's and for our own health and well-being. This attack must stop!
- 48. Please protect the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. Rolling back the protective status of any national monument serves no useful purpose. There is no shortage of federal lands already open to commercial use. There is, however, a pressing need to protect what little remains of natural ecosystems in the nation. Protecting Snow Mountain-Berryessa would be consistent with overwhelming public sentiment in California and consistent with a sustainable and vibrant regional economy. The Antiquities Act is the legacy of a great Republican president, Theodore Roosevelt. Do not undermine that legacy.
- 49. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument in my home state of California is one of the treasures of our state. The region is the crown jewel of Northern California's wild inner Coast Range. It is one of the most biologically diverse, yet least known regions of California. Located less than one hundred miles from the Sacramento and Bay Area metropolitan regions, the area is a dazzling outdoor wonderland rich in unique natural features and loaded with recreational opportunities. The history and enjoyment of our national monuments need to be saved for future generations.
- 50. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is truly one of the great treasures of California!
- 51. These areas are precious resources which cannot be recovered once they are destroyed. Please commit to protecting our public lands!
- 52. National monuments represent what healthy essential ecosystems services look like. They protect the rich biodiversity that supports and nurtures those areas between that we are so intently regenerating. They are the last stronghold protecting humanity from sliding into oblivion. Oh, and it is my constitutional right to clean air and water, and a healthy environment. It steps on these rights if you represent the corporate interests of large scale farming and the energy sector.
- 53. There are many, many reasons to protect National Monuments such as Berryessa Snow Mountain. I hope that you as a businessman can at the very least see the extremely important way that they support local economies and businesses in a healthy way. Please look at this through the eyes of those

who live near these monuments.

- 54. These are national treasures-- once you roll back protections, irreparable damage will be done! Act now!
- 55. The Berryessa snow mountain area is a national treasure. Do not let it be destroyed.

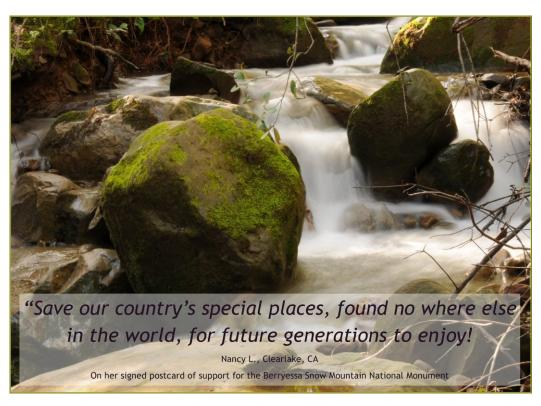


- 56. Berryessa Snow Mountain is an important part of our watershed and water security and must be protected for our future.
- 57. Tampering with our national monuments for personal profit is right up there with clubbing baby seals. It's unconscionable, it's obscene, it's illegal, and it demonstrates the Trump administration's complete disregard and disrespect for the natural environment -- and common decency.
- 58. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is truly one of the great treasures of California (and the country). All of California's national monuments are important and should be remain permanently protected.
- 59. National Monuments need to be protected for future generations. The monuments provide a haven for wildlife and rare native plant species that can't be replaced. They also a place that people can go and recharge their own batteries by leaving the noise and crowds of normal life. Whenever I take a hike at a place like the Pinnacles, I come back recharged and enriched by what I've experienced there.
- 60. Please, please keep the national monument protections in place. I live just 10 miles from the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument and I've been eagerly waiting for new hiking trails and public recreation access points to be added to the vast, beautiful lands that are tough or impossible to access now. As a birder, hiker and camper, I enjoy the variety of climates, elevations, geology, land-scape, vistas and more from the small portion of the lands I've been able to access so far. I'm happy that such a large continuous zone is being preserved for the wildlife and plants that will thrive. As a City of Winters resident I value the upcoming economic opportunities for our city that are associated with the monument; we're located at one of the major gateways to the monument. So many people worked hard to make the case for the monument. Government agencies and citizen groups are now collaborating to plan smart, achievable priorities for monument lands. Local appreciation for the monument is strong just last week an audience of 40 people burst into applause when the speaker mentioned our new monument during a geology lecture at the library that I attended. It would be devastating to have the rug pulled out from under the monument and to have the public lands revert back to a state of inaccessibility for all but the few adjacent private landowners. Please take the

long view. Do the right thing to protect and fund the management of all of California's national monument.

- 61. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a national treasure, party of the natural heritage that belongs to us and to future generations. We oppose your efforts to roll back protections for this and the over 27 other national monuments under threat from this purely political maneuver. Once protections are lifted from these monuments, there will be no going back to restore the potential damage from resource extraction that will surely occur. Do you really want your grandchildren to learn that you allowed this to happen?
- 62. This is a fantastic resource. My family uses it during all 4 seasons of the year. Please protect it for my kids.
- 63. Please protect our National Monuments. They are places I visited with wonder as a child. I'd like to show these National Monuments to my children someday.
- 64. Please protect all national monuments. They are the legacy we leave our children and grandchildren. They are homes for many species. We need to protect the earth.
- 65. Please do not roll back protections for our newly established Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. It means so very much to all of our counties who have suffered so many wildfires. It is a sacred place for ALL to enjoy the beauty of nature, and should be permanently protected so that we can continue to enjoy its magnificent splendor and beauty.
- 66. This wild and scenic area is a local treasure for all of us in the greater area. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument should be available for us to share nationally and for future generations. Therefore, respectfully we are requesting permanent protection for this national monument but also hopefully for all national monuments.
- 67. Don't mess with my refuges.
- 68. Our national parks and monuments are treasures to protect.
- 69. I trust that Berryessa Snow Mountain will be permanently protected. I and my friends often hike there and agree that it is perfect gem for local area folk.
- 70. Please protect our public lands!
- 71. The National Monuments in California and around the nation have provided an opportunity to educate our five year old on the importance of preserving pieces of history and our land. Taking away the protections of these special places would be incredibly hurtful to the memories we've made.
- 72. Surely, our wild lands are much more than a resource to make more money. Their value exceeds that in so many ways. Instead of thinking of just ourselves, can't we think about our children and grand-children, and the legacy which they will inherit from us??
- 73. Our national monuments are an American heritage, established and protected for posterity, for our grandchildren's children. Berryessa Snow Mountain should stay wild and wonderful for generations to come.
- 74. We need to protect these special places for future generations instead of constantly allowing their degradation. People are visiting National Parks and places such as National Monuments in record numbers--check out what is happening on visiting Yosemite National Park, for instance. We need to provide more parks and public spaces for families to enjoy!

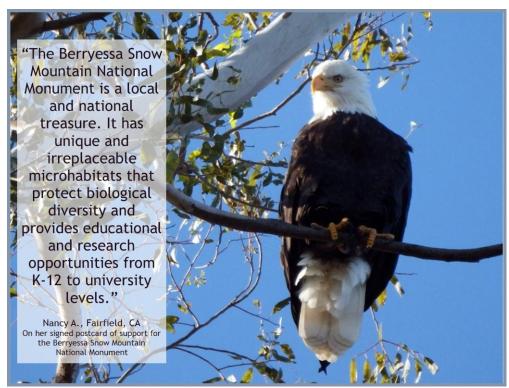
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- 78. We need public natural spaces.
- 79. It is everything you want a wilderness to be: beautiful, intriguing, rugged, wonderful views. It facilitates experiencing a connection to nature. And, it is rare in its location to Sacramento Valley and Sacramento. There is no place quite like it for this area.
- 80. Preservation of this incredible tract of land will be appreciated by generations to come. They'll thank us for our foresight. It was a public-private partnership that created the monument, without any significant government oversight or investment. Leave it alone.
- 81. National public, protected lands was one of this county's BEST ideas; the kind of idea that made America great. How do I know it was a great idea? It has been copied all over the world!
- 82. We have more and more people moving into our area. I've hiked some areas for 40 years and seen them get really crowded with people. Cold Canyon is one such place. So glad people are enjoying their watershed, local beauty....but more people means we need more land protected for those healthful trips to natural habitat. It's so healing!
- 83. Our national monuments and public lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to rollback protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments.
- 84. Beyond the benefits to the local and regional economy and the obvious ecological ones, is the very idea and existence of undeveloped and wild land. It's a place where we can go and simply experience the natural world. It's a place where we can contemplate our mortality and place in the natural world and thereby maintain a sense of perspective. It is simply irreplaceable and beyond mere economic valuation.
- 85. Once special places like this lose their permanent protection, they will never be the same again. Places like this are what make California unique, and we all are indebted to those who have worked

- so hard to preserve places like the Berryessa Snow Mountain for future generations. I am appalled that anyone would undo what took so long to be assured of permanent National Monument protection!
- 86. Please keep our protected areas safe so we and our later generations will be able to enjoy them for years to come.
- 87. I attended the opening ceremonies of Snow Mt. Nat'l. Monument and was struck by the beauty of the land. As with all of these places, they must be preserved for all citizens, for the wildlife and purity of air and water, not used for corporate exploitation as mining interests would destroy what us pristine and needing protection into perpetuity.
- 88. National monuments are part of our spiritual, cultural, and natural heritage. They need to be protected so that ALL citizens and visitors, not just special interest groups, can enjoy them and reap benefits from them. When I go to Los Angeles, I see 14-lane freeways crisscrossing the smoggy hills, with suburban housing taking up any remaining space. I want my children and grandchildren to be able to breathe clean air, see blue sky, play outdoors in uncultivated nature, and know about the world beyond what their cell phones and I-pads show them. We need to keep protecting our national monuments so that they will have the opportunity to do this.
- 89. This national monument had wide support from the people of this area. We want to continue to protect this land and water!
- 90. Please don't let a few people destroy our beautiful Snow Mountain National monument for their personal short term financial gain. These wild lands should be saved for the enjoyment of all people and the plants and animals that live there.
- 91. WHAT ALTERNATE USE IS BEING PROPOSED FOR THIS REGION? Casinos? Untended fuel for wildfires? The government needs to put out its' "positive view" before just going with the negative.
- 92. The Berryessa Snow Mountain Monument is truly one of the great treasures of California. Please permanently protect our national monuments and all the historical and cultural treasures we love.
- 93. The natural world in this part of California is undervalued and needs this designation! Tourism can also bring needed jobs and economic development. The monument can coexist with private land owners and their rights. People love these monuments, why attack them?!?
- 94. Our national monuments are treasures to be preserved for future generations. Europe has its cathedrals, but we have our land.
- 95. I strongly support continued protection of Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument as a national monument. I feel that it is vital to protect the national treasures of this country. As a national monument, this protection effectively balances the need to maintain this natural area's biological resources for all to enjoy and allow for thoughtful public use of the area. Keep the Berryessa Snow Mountain as a permanently protected.
- 96. Our national monuments and public lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to rollback protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument in my home state of California is one of the treasures of our state. Located less than one hundred miles from the Sacramento and Bay Area metropolitan regions, the area is a dazzling outdoor wonderland rich in unique natural features and loaded with recreational opportunities. This region provides wonderful opportunities to hike, horseback ride, hunt, camp, fish and bird watch, use motorized vehicles in designated areas, enjoy both motorized and

non-motorized boating and water recreation, and more.



97. Please save this national monument and all national monuments. It is in my backyard and I love having a national heritage so close. I frequently hike the area and it brings peace to me to know that I have a government that honors and places value on open space for future generations. This is for all Americans and visitors. Not only are you protecting open space, but you are protecting the environment, flora and fauna of this same space.

98. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is in my own backyard, and knowing that its pristine

beauty and cultural relevance are now protected for future generations is very important to me. I do not want to see this change. I believe all national monuments should remain protected environments for future generations to experience.

- 99. My family loves exploring new areas, watching birds, catching lizards, eating marshmallows roasted over a campfire after a day of hiking. The National Monuments are in spectacular landscapes and are great places for recreation after a long week at work or in school. They are also important to keep our wildlife healthy and our water clean and plentiful. Please do not roll back the protection of these amazing places!
- 100. The work done to protect these places is irreplaceable. Plenty of assessment has already been conducted before the monuments were designated, and jeopardizing these places puts the future of all our public lands at risk.
- 101. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is in my backyard and I hike it regularly. In addition I have hiked in many other National Parks and Monuments. As the population of the US increases, we need more, not less, of such places to escape crowding and stress. Protect all the current Parks and Monuments and consider expanding them.
- 102. Our national monuments and public lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to rollback protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments.
- 103. I visit National Monuments. I want to live in a country that values and preserves its historical and natural heritage. Protect all National Monuments.
- 104. I LOVE BERRYESSA SNOW MOUNTAIN NATIONAL MONUMENT.
- 105. I live a few miles from Lake Berryessa. I feel it is essential to protect it for its clean water, recreational facilities and tourism. It needs to be permanently protected from development.

- 106. Being in nature helps ease my anxiety and depression I am the happiest when I am at national parks and national monuments. These monuments should be a point of American pride, and to destroy them would be senseless beyond belief. Humans are not entitled to rape and pillage Mother Earth.
- 107. Mother nature isn't your "bitch". She's your mother. Show her some respect! Protect our national monuments from exploitation by the greedy few.
- 108. National monuments are a way to protect and preserve unique habitat for all that it encompasses.
- 109. Preserve NATURE to the fullest extent!! The future lies in science and technology, not in extractive industries.
- 110. We need open spaces and areas for nonhuman life to exist. Please select the moral choice of protecting our lands for all, not just humans.
- 111. It puzzles me how this administration or folks espousing it see protecting pristine swaths of unique, beautiful land as catering to a certain group. In other words, not allowing four wheelers and others to destroy once and forever an area that could be enjoyed for generations of people from all walks of life. I know there will always be four wheelers and the like and I have zero objection to their means of enjoyment; but there is a place and a time for all. Berryessa and similar unique monuments is not the place and will never be the time.
- 112. As an American, a parent, and a tax payer, it saddens me deeply to hear that our national monuments are threatened. My husband and I plan to take our 3 children across the United States this summer to experience firsthand the natural wonders and treasures of the USA. We want to instill in our children a love for the outdoors and a sense of responsibility for protecting them. As part of our government and leadership, I would hope that you would also see the importance of making sure that these threatened monuments are protected for this generation and the future.
- 113. They represent the beauty of the world!
- 114. Our National Monuments are for all not just the rich corporations who plundered and leave a ruined landscapes!!!!!!!!!!!
- 115. Because they are precious.
- 116. We need the national monuments for all to see the beauty of this country. It also leads to an elevation to a national park as appropriate. I will never forget my first view of the Grand Canyon, and the ability to ride the donkeys to Plateau Point as a child, and hiking out from Phantom Ranch as an adult after a rafting ride.
- 117. It's so important to preserve our national monuments for all. Benefits include providing recreational activities, supporting education, protecting special landscapes and clean water. & promoting ecotourism. They need permanent protection. Snow Mountain is closest to me & I've visited & hiked & camped @ several others. Please don't roll back any protections.
- 118. National Monuments promote sanity and, moreover, are good financially for the areas they inhabit.
- 119. Please protect all National Monuments, Parks, Preserves and Forests, as originally intended by right minded citizens of this great country, from predatory use by individuals, corporations and foreign interests or we will become one of the largest Third World Countries ever to exist. To sell out these resources is to sell out your children and the future of Democracy.
- 120. Berryessa Snow Mtn monument is a treasured national monument and we worked hard to finally get the designation to preserve that beautiful area. Please preserve the national monument designation for us and future generations!



- 121. America's National Monuments and Parks are the soul of our country. I grew up just outside of Giant Sequoia, one of the most beautiful, serene places in America. These public lands are incredibly important to our country. Please preserve each monument and park, do not roll back any protections. Our local economies thrive because of these parks.
- 122. Berryessa Snow Mountain National monument is a treasure for all people to enjoy. I am a grand-mother and want my grandchildren and great children to have access to the beauty and wonder of this public land.
- 123. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is truly one of the great treasures of California.
- 124. We need wild places. The earth is not just for humans.
- 125. Our descendants are already going to have it rough enough due to our short sightedness. Without open space, people keep getting crazier and more combative. I need space to be sane.
- 126. A monument is sacred land and cannot be removed. This is not just a piece of "property" to be acquired and discarded.
- 127. Our national monuments and public lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to roll back protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments.
- 128. I grew up with the beauty of the National Parks as did my children and even my most conservative family members understand the importance of the park system! No Brainer!

- 129. Save our countries special places, found nowhere else in the world, for future generations to enjoy!
- 130. This national monument is a gem I hike and ride my horse in the area and is truly a very special place. I want to see the area preserved for future generations. Please work to protect the protection of this area.
- 131. All of California's national monuments are important and should be remain permanently protected. National monuments bring enormous benefits to California by protecting special landscapes, nurturing education, protecting clean water, providing recreational activities, and supporting local economies through outdoor recreation and ecotourism.
- 132. I live near Snow Mountain and it is a beautiful area that needs our protection.
- 133. This monument is right in our backyard, on the western side of California's Central Valley. Our area is primarily agricultural and there are not many areas close by for outdoor recreation, outdoor education, or hiking in natural surroundings. When Berryessa Snow Mountain was designated a National Monument, I learned about areas I wasn't aware of before. I had a chance to visit, to hike and see magnificent spring wildflowers. School groups have also been taking field trips to Berryessa Snow Mountain, because it is close enough to the schools in Woodland, Winters, Esparto, Gridley, and other local Valley towns. These kids might not have other chances to learn about the historical, cultural and natural treasures within Berryessa Snow Mountain, if the Monument is not protected. Coastal and Sierra Nevada protected areas are just too far away for most of these kids and their families to visit frequently (or at all). It is important to know that a broad coalition of activists, valley residents, and lawmakers worked together to make sure that Berryessa Snow Mountain would be protected without hindering pre-existing water rights or imposing new regulations on hunting, fishing, and motorized recreation. There is no reason to undo the hard work of these wide-ranging stakeholders, and there is every reason to preserve protection and National Monument status for Berryessa Snow Mountain. We want this land protected permanently. I urge you: Leave our monument alone!
- 134. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument means so much to me and my family and friends. We must conserve our public lands.
- 135. It is vitally important to protect the few remaining undisturbed areas in this country from development and/or mineral exploitation. Monuments are sacred places both for people and for wildlife. My husband and I have spent many enjoyable days hiking in the Berryessa/Snow Mountain National Monument and appreciate this jewel in our backyard. There were so many people who worked hard and came together to make the designation of this area be a national monument. The thought that this could now be in jeopardy is unthinkable.
- 136. I lead a hiking group of 4H youth and we enjoy hiking, photographing, and being out in nature. The wildlife, flowers, creeks and natural beauty of Berryessa Snow Mountain Monument are stunning. It is wonderful to have access to this beautiful area not far from where we live. Please protect it.
- 137. I used to live in Lake County and did biological surveys and restoration in the Berryessa Snow Mountain area. This place is incredibly biologically diverse, culturally rich, and provides invaluable ecological resources. It also is an incredible place for people to reconnect with nature in an increasingly disconnected world. PLEASE SAVE THIS UNIQUE AND SPECIAL PLACE!
- 138. As one of America's newest monuments Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument as well as all of the national monuments have been created to preserve special landscapes for all and succeeding generations of Americans and visitors here. They should NOT be available for exploitation by businesses seeking to make money off of their natural resources through mining, drilling, dams, or other human activities that do not allow for natural resource maintenance and renewal. These places have already gone through extensive review and public buy-in before being approved by previous administrations. The current administration should devote its efforts to create additional monuments.

139. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a wild place, including wilderness, amazingly close to the San Jose-San Francisco major metropolitan area. It's remarkable that this land was available to be included in the National Park system (all or nearly all was federal or state land protected land already). Just to the west is a large area of Off Road Vehicle trails still run by the National Forest Ser-

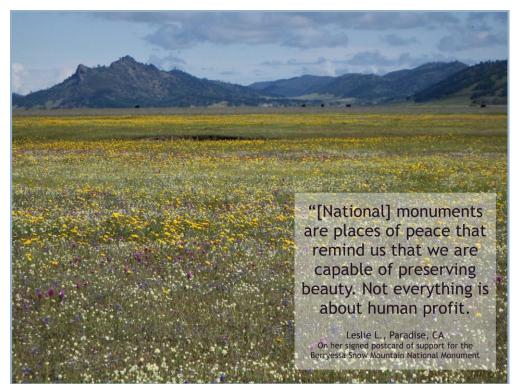


vice along with a recreational and power generating reservoir - so both wilderness and higher impact uses do currently coexist. The region could really use the economic boost from tourism that the NPS label is liking to bring. I for one have only visited this gem of an area after learning of the National Monument.

- 140. Our national monuments and public lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to rollback protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument in my home state of California is one of the treasures of our state. The region is the crown jewel of Northern California's wild inner Coast Range. It is one of the most biologically diverse, yet least known regions of California. Located less than one hundred miles from the Sacramento and Bay Area metropolitan regions, the area is a dazzling outdoor wonderland rich in unique natural features and loaded with recreational opportunities.
- 141. I live in Lake County, one of the counties encompassed within the Berryessa Snow Mountain NM. I support its permanent protection, as a catalyst for promoting economic opportunities for recreation and ecotourism. This NM protects special landscapes by preventing gas, oil and mining exploration, it fosters educational opportunities for our public schools and protects watersheds.
- 142. I routinely hike, hunt, and camp with my family in Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. As a result I have gotten to know some of the on-the-ground staff, one of whom I met while he was cleaning toilets ON HIS DAY OFF because they are short-staffed. My respect for public lands mgmt employees went through the roof that day. My hope is you uphold the legacy of Theodore Roosevelt, Republican and originator of National Monuments, and do not alter the Monument Designation here or anywhere. Is there really a question that average American hunters have fewer and fewer places with access to hunt? What good will come from removing designation protections from a place we are using? Clearly there are some challenges in this landscape still: invasive star thistle and cheatgrass blankets large swaths of the Monument here; the landscape is overstocked with highly flammable chaparral, and controlled burns are overdue; leaching mercury from old mines continue to pollute Cache and Bear Creeks. Large scale, integrated agency management is needed, as is more funding to

power those mgmt activities. Monument Designation provides a venue for the multiple public agencies managing lands in Berryessa Snow Mountain to work together (Forest Service, BLM, California Dept of Wildlife), along with NGOs such as Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, and academics such as UC-Davis. All of these partners are active in Berryessa Snow Mountain-- please keep the Monument working together.

- 143. The public spent years creating Berryessa Snow Mt.monument. I hike there on a regular basis with friends and my dog. Our increasingly overpopulated state needs this wilderness and open land for water and air quality. Please keep its protection in place
- 144. Our National Monuments have been designated for reasons of protection for natural habitat and quality of life for people who visit the areas. Please do not throw back the hard work and deep understanding by which these monuments were established. It is like going up to a masterpiece of art and drawing obscenities on it.
- 145. Our local economy, watersheds and health depend on protecting from further destruction and ensure continued improvement of our access to local wilderness. Lake County needs this!
- 146. Preserving tracts of land is a legacy that has been left to me by past generations. As an avid out-doorswoman, I have had the privilege to explore many of these tracts. Recently approved Snow Mountain National Monument is in my "backyard." I haven't had an opportunity to explore it, and now its Monument status is threatened. I am firmly opposed to any effort to revoke or diminish protections for National Monuments and I urge you to support our public lands and waters and recommend that our current national monuments remain protected.
- 147. Please DO NOT take away our National Monuments they are a Major part of what is Keeping our Country Great to be able to enjoy our lands Our National Monuments are what help keep the land from being Raped by greedy companies who only see our Beautiful Lands for what they can take monetarily from them not for the Natural Beauty of the land as God made it Please Keep Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument from being permanently protected It is a wonderful place that you must come visit to know it's beauty and wonder Please do not remove it from being protected as a National Monument Thank you Chris Self
- 148. My Boy Scout troop goes to Lava Beds National Monument almost every summer. I have loved being able to crawl through the lava tubes and enjoy the volcanic landscapes. I hope that the current administration will see fit to protect this and other national monuments.
- 149. We need the open space of nature as human beings!!!! And it is essential to our HEALTH, more so as our population crowd!!!!!! And People crowd out nature and its wildlife! Ca Coastal National Monuments---Giant Sequoia Monuments, Mojave Tremblor Range. WE cannot rape and pillage EVERY piece of land for MONEY!! Stop the rape!
- 150. Protect these treasures for our use and for that of future generations. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a welcome addition to our local community and will bring much needed economic development to our county and region. No development, no drilling.
- 151. National monuments bring enormous benefits to California by protecting special landscapes, nurturing education, protecting clean water, providing recreational activities, and supporting local economies through outdoor recreation and ecotourism. All of California's and the Nation's national monuments are important and should be remain permanently protected.
- 152. The extensive planning process underway will create a joint management plan for the Bureau of Land Management and the United States Forest Service that will effectively and efficiently make the public lands included in the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument accessible to a wide diversity of users and stakeholders. There were numerous opportunities for public comment over a sixyear period and the support for the designation from individuals, organizations, businesses and local



government was overwhelming in Lake County. The rich Native American heritage, the potential for additional recreation, the environmental importance, and the economic boost to local tourism-related businesses make it imperative to retain this National Monument designation.

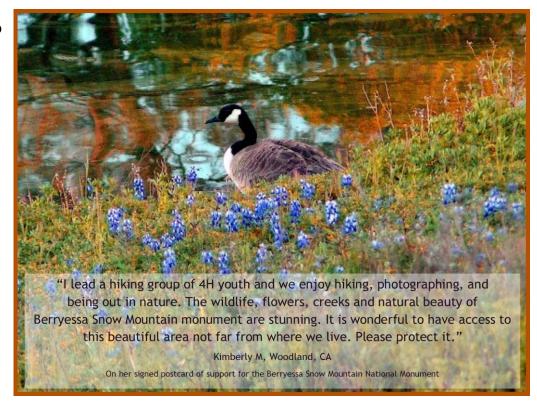
153. National monuments are places of enjoyment and refuge for ALL Americans including those not yet born and should not be turned into money making machines for a few rich corporations. Our national monuments and public

lands and waters help define who we are as a nation by telling the story of our historical, cultural, and natural heritage. I am extremely disappointed that Donald Trump has signed an executive order that attempts to undermine our national monuments. Attempts to rollback protections for national monuments would be both illegal and terribly misguided and I strongly urge you to oppose any efforts to eliminate or shrink our national monuments. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument in my home state of California is one of the treasures of our state. The region is the crown jewel of Northern California's wild inner Coast Range. It is one of the most biologically diverse, yet least known regions of California. Located less than one hundred miles from the Sacramento and Bay Area metropolitan regions, the area is a dazzling outdoor wonderland rich in unique natural features and loaded with recreational opportunities. These public lands stretch nearly one hundred miles from the shores of Lake Berryessa to the flanks of Snow Mountain. This region provides wonderful opportunities to hike, horseback ride, hunt, camp, fish and bird watch, use motorized vehicles in designated areas, enjoy both motorized and non-motorized boating and water recreation, and more. I am firmly opposed to any effort to revoke or diminish protections for National Monuments and I urge you to support our public lands and waters.

- 154. Stunning to think anyone would roll back protection of our national monuments. They are our national treasures!!
- 155. Our national monuments are American treasures and reflect the beauty and diversity of our beautiful nation. Please help us protect them.
- 156. Although I don't frequent the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument on a regular basis, knowing that it is a protected area that was granted with input and support from Private and Public stewards of the land and is accessible when I do take the time is of utmost importance to me. Protecting wild areas for wildlife, recreation, and resources is vitally important to me, as is the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument.
- 157. Permanently protecting our National Monuments is the right thing to do to keep America great. I get a lot from visiting them.
- 158. For today and the future we must keep land wild and public for the health of the planet and our citizens.

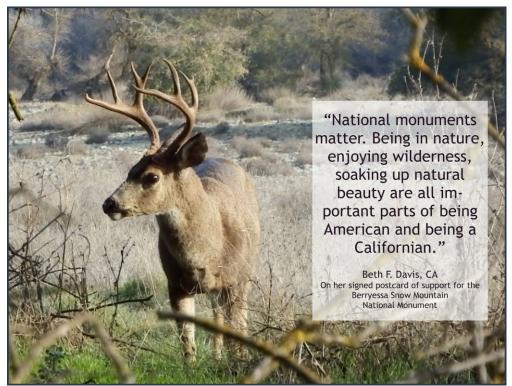
- 159. National monuments are valuable places that are unique habitats for wildlife and species of plants and animals that may not be found elsewhere. The environment they provide is not to be destroyed; it is unique and is not able to be duplicated anywhere else on the Earth!
- 160. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a quick escape for many of Solano, Yolo, and Lake county residents. While we are in a digital age, it is more imperative than ever to ensure the public has places to go to connect with the natural world. Without this connection, we will quickly see erosion of the understanding and care about our environment. In addition, many local communities rely on the visitation to these areas as a financial means of living by either providing services or selling merchandise. Undoing any National Monument designation is bad idea and does not help make America great again in any way, shape, or form.
- 161. I am a grassland ecologist in California. Our state's native grasslands are more than 90% gone. My fellow members of the California Native Plant Society, Sanhedrin Chapter and the California Native Grasslands Association and I have worked several years and spent considerable time working toward making Berryessa Snow Mountain a National Monument. I am extremely disappointed that you are now considering removing that status. Please reconsider. The aesthetic, natural, and long-term economic resources these national monuments offer go beyond our current economic needs. Please don't let your legacy be the undoing of protection for our state's and nation's natural resources.
- 162. It is not wise to underestimate Mother Nature. Kill the sacred lands and everything in it (animals, plants and etc.) you kill the eco system, ultimately killing human existence. It is wise to honor and take great care of the land.
- 163. Berryessa-Snow Mountain Nat'l Monument holds the Blue Ridge, a dramatic landform shaped by earthquakes & fault lines, that defines our county's western horizon. The sun setting behind Blue Ridge provides a scenic end to each day here. The monument also protects much of the public land in our county, which is primarily intensively cropped farmland. Much of our regions wildlife relies on these lands. They also provide great backcountry hiking & riding opportunities in a region where few others are available. So please continue the protection of these lands as a national monument, consistent with the wishes of our neighbors & local & state governments.
- 164. National Monuments protect this great nation's natural and cultural heritage. They are the way that we pass along our history to the next generations. Compromising them for short term gain for just a few is not in our best interest. I visit the newly created Berryessa Snow Mountain in Northern California several times a month to film and photograph. The amount and diversity of species there is astounding and several are found nowhere else on Earth.
- 165. Please protect our National Monuments so we, along with future generations, can enjoy them! I am very proud of the work my friends and neighbors put in to create Berryessa Snow Mountain. I have only visited once with my children (ages 2 and 5), but I look forward to many more adventures as they get older. The folks that organized BSM worked with stakeholders for 6 years to make the monument. It was truly a group effort and that's why it was supported by hunting groups, off-road groups, mountain biking groups, horseback riding groups, even a hang gliding group. The American Motorcycle Association, Blue Ribbon Coalition, IMBA, Backcountry hunters and anglers, Backcountry horsemen of California all supported it and helped make the boundaries. No users were excluded. All OHV routes remain open. All shooting areas remain open. All trails remain open. Please protect BSM, as well as all of the other National Monuments for Americans and our children.
- 166. As a taxpayer, voter and user of these lands, I feel it's crucial to continue the protection of the national monuments. These areas promote natural diversity, recreation and local business. I will often travel to regions several hours to days away from my home to visit these special places, all the while spending my money on lodging and food locally. It is protected areas such as these that make California so special.

- 167. Americans needs these open spaces to get air. Space. Nature. Freedom. Reprieve from the chaos of life and work. They belong to us. As a nation. For future generations.
- 168. I love Joshua tree, craters of the moon and all the other monuments. Preserve these sites for our children and their children.
- 169. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is an unique area in the Coast Range of



California that should remain permanently protected.

- 170. It seems like so many special places in the world are being lost due to progress and if we're not careful, there will be no special places for the generations coming after us. We need to save as many as we possibly can.
- 171. As someone who lives near Berryessa Snow Mountain NM, it is especially important to me that the will of the people expressed in the overwhelming support for it be respected--there must be no change to the status of Berryessa Snow Mountain nor restrictions of its boundaries.
- 172. National monuments preserve rare and important ecosystems and wilderness areas for our and future generations. They are irreplaceable assets and should not be bartered off to the highest bidder; rather they should be treasured, preserved, and enhanced. These monuments enhance local economies in a long-term sustainable manner by bringing tourism dollars to the area.
- 173. National monuments bring enormous benefits to California by protecting special landscapes, nurturing education, protecting clean water, providing recreational activities, and supporting local economies through outdoor recreation and ecotourism. I live on the Mendocino Coast and am happy to know that not far from here is the Stornetta Land National monument. It is important to permanently protect land, otherwise it will be purchased by wealthy citizens, and the public will have lost access to it. It attracts tourists to this area and therefore supports the local economy and provides recreational activities.
- 174. Save our precious National Monuments.
- 175. As a small farmer and citizen of Lake County we feel the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is an important part of our community and the natural landscape. Please protect and preserve it for all of our citizens.
- 176. Berryessa Snow Mountain is a treasure of wildlife, geology and ecology that should continue to be protected as a national monument by our federal government.



- 177. We treasure our national monuments. They are what make America great. Leave them alone!
- 178. WE must preserve these special landscapes, our true National Treasures, for our children and their children for all time.
- 179. National Monuments provide a way for local communities to preserve and protect places and ways of life that are important to them. They are not created in a vacuum. They are products of years of discussion and consensus at the local level. There is no good reason to review these efforts that have been settled.
- 180. This Country was built on the principals of freedom, both as individuals and the lands we have grown to cherish. From the irreplaceable cultural history entrenched in Bears Ears National Monument, to the untouched wild western landscapes of Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument; our Nation is filled to the brim with places for its citizens to learn, grow, and find their love of Country once again within. Freedom is a necessity to American life, and so are protected National treasures for all generations to find that freedom within. Without the protected landscapes, such as Cache Creek Wilderness (Berryessa Snow Mountain) wildlife such as the iconic Bald Eagle would not have areas to thrive safely from the changes of human interference. Without protected historical areas such as Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument, our grandchildren will have only text books to understand this Nation's past, as opposed to being able to actively seek and explore it. Our Monuments are OUR Monuments, erected for the PEOPLE of the United States to explore and imagine within freely. Keep it public, keep it protected, keep the people of our Nation in awe of the Country they inhabit! Protect our Monuments!!
- 181. Of course our national monuments and parks must be protected! So should our sanctuaries, and the NPS. That's why they've been established. Think of your children and your children's children. They deserve an intact world just as we have.
- 182. Such beauty such be preserved for our children and their children.
- 183. All eight of our National Monuments in California should be cherished and protected, but the Berryessa Snow Mountain NM is VERY special for me. It encompasses a large enough area with multiple habitats to give us the possibility of working out ways to improve resiliency in the face of change. The area is important to wildlife, to agriculture, to recreation and to ecotourism. It contains significant cultural assets too. This beautiful National Monument showcases the Inner Coast Range of California. Please keep the protections we worked so hard to tie together for our common good.
- 184. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a wonderful place to visit and recreate. The variety of habitats from north to south and from near sea level to over 7000 feet is important to protect. Not only a local like me enjoys the Monument, but tourists from around the world who help the Lake County economy grow new jobs. I urge you to permanently protect this wonderful resource.



185. I've hiked in the Berryessa Snow Mountain NM and love having it so close by. I especially enjoy the peace and beauty in the spring time. This whole area needs to be permanently protected.

186. National monuments remind us how privileged we are to have lands for everyone to enjoy.

187. I believe that the health of our nation, and the continuation of the human race is dependent on retaining large portions of earth in native form. It is imperative that some land remain preserved from man's digging, drilling, and building. Please count my

vote in maintaining (or increasing!) the land which is set aside for national monuments.

- 188. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is important to the economy of our region. It was designated after several years of well-attended public meetings, and has had the consistent support of local groups and government bodies. Please preserve the designation, as the people of the area have shown their support overwhelmingly.
- 189. We spent a great deal of time with our sons when they (and we) were young. It instilled in both of them the necessity of keeping wild, open lands and an appreciation of national monuments.
- 190. I support the designation and expansion of Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument under review and ask that all boundaries remain unchanged. The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument was established and expanded with after many public hearings and outcries of public support. This level of protection ensures these valuable cultural and ecological assets can thrive. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is truly one of the treasures of California. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument protects a wealth of biodiversity and ecosystems Not only is this monument incredibly worthy of protection, it brings enormous benefits to our state by attracting tourism and driving the outdoor recreation economy. Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument is a treasure, and expanding the monument was the right decision. I urge you to maintain the current protections and not consider any effort to decrease protections for this incredible monument. Thank you for allowing public comment once again to highlight Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument.
- 191. This area is very close to our home and feel that it is very important to protect this beautiful monument for recreation and to help the Lake County economy.
- 192. The National Monuments are our Nation's best treasures. We all need time in nature to recharge and fill our souls. I grew up going to the Giant Sequoias with my father. It instilled in me an appreciation of the outdoors and provided me a connection to our Nation's past. These magnificent trees have been around for thousands of years. There are few old growth redwood protected forests left. Let them be!
- 193. This monument provides important habitat connectivity to many key species in our area. I love seeing the tule elk and the oak woodlands, the wildflowers and diverse suite of native pollinators.

- 194. My family and I love exploring nature and walking the trails within the Berryessa National Monument
- 195. The Berryessa Snow Mountain is a national treasure, protecting the unique biodiversity of the region. It also protects native American cultural sites, making it an ideal National Monument. A broad coalition of activists, locals, and lawmakers worked to ensure that the Berrvessa Snow Mountain would be protected without hindering preexisting water rights or imposing new regula-



tions on hunting, fishing, and motorized recreation. The Berryessa National Monument also provides a vital stimulus to the local small business economy, bringing in visitors in the form of outdoor enthusiasts and tourists, who otherwise would not know about this historically little-visited corner of northern California. I myself have recently visited the area to view the spectacular wildflowers. Most importantly, the National Monument designation protects the Berryessa Snow Mountain from the kind of permanent damage that destructive resource exploitation causes and preserves the pristine and unblemished land for all to enjoy. I demand that this carefully vetted national monument remain intact for future generations!

- 196. National monuments should definitely be protected. They are the backbone of our country. They also provide benefits to all who visit these areas. There are therapeutic in the sense that you feel relieved of many of the pressures of everyday life when you visit these places.
- 197. Please keep the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument as it is --It is too important to man and wildlife alike.
- 198. National Monuments are to be preserved not only for human enjoyment, but for a healthy & diverse environment. They are not to be used for destructive activities to make money.
- 199. We as a country have defiled so much of the land for the "betterment" of civilization, ignoring the indigenous civilizations already there. We can no longer lose these places for the advancement of someone's bank account. Save the open lands for our future generations, save our preserved areas for the next glass of clean water you want to drink!
- 200. The local monument provides a vital resource for hunters, fisherman, hikers, horseman, water enthusiasts, ohv riders, scout and other youth groups and many more.
- 201. The natural environment sustains all of us. We must keep as much of it as possible totally natural or our world will become degraded and not sustain life, not even human life.
- 202. PROTECT OUR NATIONAL MONUMENTS!!

- 203. Save our national monuments to save the beauty of America for our children!
- 204. Preserving national monuments will help protect us from the results of our society's blatant disregard for the harmful effects that fossil fuel extraction and use have on global warming and human life on Earth. We must protect these places and support alternative energy strategies and research.
- 205. Snow Mountain is an ecologically pristine and diverse National Monument that must be protected and preserved for future generations.
- 206. Please preserve the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. This area is truly one of the magnificent wilderness areas in our great country. It is your job and sacred duty as an American to protect this and ALL national monuments for us and for future generations.

