

Rose Winn Natural Resource Consultant

Rose Winn is an accomplished Public Lands Access Consultant. Her Relevant Experience as an OHV specialist, and prior experience as an access advocate includes the following:

California Four Wheel Drive Association | California (statewide) Natural Resources Consultant

Designated statewide association representative championing the mission of C4WDA: to maintain, restore, and perpetuate public access to off-highway vehicle (0HV) recreation routes on public lands throughout the state. Advise the board of directors and membership on access issues. Serve as a bridge with partner and governmental organizations within and beyond the scope of California. Research and report on current OHV land use litigation.

Advocate on behalf of CA4WDA, including political and legislative work. Represent C4WDA before various governmental agencies, partner organizations, press, elected officials, and other public land access stakeholders. Selected accomplishments and impact:

- Sierra NF Creek Fire Restoration Project: influenced Forest Service to state explicitly within plan documents that no existing OHV roads and trails will be closed or decommissioned through implementation of the project.
- South Cow Mountain 0HVMA Improvements: influenced the BLM to maximize the scope of improvements to trails, park features, user amenities, and park safety.
- Williams Hill RA Recreation Plan: influenced the BLM to expand mileage of OHV access through creation of new trails and trail segments, and, to note explicitly within plan documents that the construction and maintenance of OHV roads and trails are dually intended to serve as wildfire prevention (fuel breaks) and improve firefighter access to suppress wildfire in the case of a wildfire event.
- Eldorado NF Hazard Tree Mitigation Project: influenced Forest Service to retain all originally planned mileage for hazard tree abatement in the final record of decision; this involved providing the Forest Service with research and language to justify the need and logic for hazard tree abatement to counter arguments from multiple extreme environmentalist organizations, and actively combatting extreme environmentalist arguments within Objection Resolution meetings to ensure that public access and safety issues remained at the forefront of the project's purpose and scope of implementation.
- Sequoia & Sierra NF Revised Land Management Plans: cultivated a collaborative partnership between C4WDA and the staff for Congressmen Tom McClintock, Congressman John Duarte, Congressman Darrell Issa, and Speaker Kevin McCarthy, along with the Board of Supervisors for Fresno and Tulare counties, and multiple outdoor recreation advocacy organizations. The intent of partnership is to leverage congressional action to reverse the Forest Service's creation of an illegal mile-wide trail corridor for the Pacific Crest Trail, and rectify multiple procedural and legal violations as implemented in the final record of decision in a land management plan.
- Sierra NF Motorized Recreation Project: while the final record of decision for this project did not achieve the results hoped for, I secured commitment (post-final record of decision) from the Sierra NF Supervisor and staff to take on new analysis of OHV roads and trails in Sierra NF that have been previously closed, to evaluate for reopening. Developed partnership with the Board of Supervisors for Fresno and Madera counties, the Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council, and multiple outdoor recreation advocacy organizations to draft and submit a proposal for state grant funding to complete analysis and designation of OHV routes.
- Endangered Species Act Proposed Listings: as a result of strategic partnership development with staff and Board of Supervisors for Fresno County, fulfilled request from the County to provide research on impact on local economic drivers (recreation, timber, tourism) from proposed ESA listings and designated habitat designations for the Foothill Yellow Legged Frog, Sierra Fisher, and Western Pond Turtle.

Unaffiliated Civic Engagement | Fresno County, CA Citizen Public Land Access Advocate

Served as a leader and supporter for grassroots initiatives to maintain and restore access to hiking trails, hunting grounds, dispersed camping, and general outdoor recreation in Sierra National Forest.

- Reversed a temporary closure of the Sierra National Forest (Summer 2021):
- o Researched the situation, collected documents and organized a body of evidence to demonstrate the legal and constitutional basis for an appeal to end the temporary closure,
- o Organized a group of citizens to meet with the Fresno County Board of Supervisors to present our concerns, research, and an appeal for action.
- o Per county request to demonstrate broader public support for the appeal, wrote a persuasive petition, circulated it broadly through social media and local community outreach, collected over 800 signatures within 72 hours, and presented the petition to county leaders with recommendation for next steps to present an appeal to the Forest Service.
- o Identified contacts in neighboring counties to activate similar action in citizen appeal to county leaders, informed Fresno County of activity and leveraged broader support to help county officials make connections and collectivize their action as a multi-county appeal to the Forest Service,
- o Rallied ongoing citizen support for the county appeal, and elevated the voice of citizen support, through participation in online meetings and engagement with relevant activity in social media,
- o Ultimately Fresno County exercised local jurisdiction and directed Sierra National Forest to terminate the forest closure order. This led to the immediate reversal of identical temporary closures in the other 17 national forests in California given that the Forest Service justification for closure was dismantled.
- Endangered Species Act closures for the Yellow Legged Frog and Yosemite Toad: participated in citizen advocacy groups to compel the Forest Service to reverse road, land, lake, and waterway closures in Sierra National Forest.

EDUCATION

- Master of Science, Educational Technology, DeVry University, Fresno, CA
- Bachelor of Arts, Cultural Anthropology, minor in Psychology, Vanguard University, Costa Mesa, CA