## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

CALIFORNIA REGION

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF HIGH SIERRA WILDERNESS AREA

In accordance with the provisions of Regulation U-1 and U-2a of the Secretary of Agriculture (36 CFR 251.20 and 251.21a), notice is hereby given of the intention to establish the High Sierra Wilderness Area. The proposed area is 502,978 acres in size and includes a part of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, within the Inyo and Sierra National Forests in the State of California.

Most of the lands to be included are currently within the High Sierra Primitive Area which was established by the Forest Service on April 21, 1932 under Regulation L-20 of the Secretary of Agriculture. Seven units within the existing Primitive Area, totalling 12,722 acres, are not included within the proposed Wilderness Area. Six units totalling 134,700 acres outside of the Primitive Area are proposed for inclusion in the Wilderness Area. They are shown on the map accompanying the brochure referred to below.

The proposal is to include lands predominately valuable as wilderness, place boundaries on well-defined topographic features easily identified on the ground, and minimize future conflicts with non-conforming uses.

Additional information, including a brochure with map and a metes and bounds description of the proposed wilderness boundary, may be obtained from the following:

Forest Supervisor-Inyo National Forest,
207 W. South Street, Bishop, California
Forest Supervisor-Sierra National Forest,
4831 East Shields Avenue, Fresno, California
Regional Forester-630 Sansome Street, San Francisco, California.

Interested persons have until February 21, 1964 within which to express their views on this proposal. Comments should be in writing and filed with the Regional Forester or one of the above listed Forest Supervisors. Two public hearings will be held during the period of this Public Notice; one at Home Economics Building, County Fairgrounds, Bishop, California at 9:00 A.M., February 18, 1964; the other at State Building, 2550 Mariposa Street, Fresno, California at 9:00 A.M., February 20, 1964.

CHAS. A. CONNAUGHTO Regional Forester

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