



### Sequoia / Kings Canyon “Rough Fire” Lives Up to Its Name

Organizers of the FFLA Western Regional Conference have had to make a tough call this week about the September conference at Grant Grove. Due to indefinite closures in the north part of Sequoia National Forest and Kings Canyon National Park, combined with active wildfire threat, hazardous air quality and restricted access to Grant Grove (for example, currently only day use is allowed), FFLA must relocate this year’s Western Regional Conference to Kernville, next to Lake Isabella in the southern edge of Sequoia National Forest.

Mother Nature seems to get the last word on everyone’s detailed travel/lodging plans to Grant Grove, but we hope you understand that health and safety are our primary goals for participants. Southern Sequoia National Forest is far from the fire, has much better air quality currently and, as a small consolation, offers increased access to more fire lookouts. We hope you are able to join us at our updated location in Kernville. Lodging options are available below. An revised agenda with our new central meeting location will be released by 9/10. We are looking for a couple additional speakers/presenters, so please forward your suggestions and take a moment to contact conference organizer, Chris Fabbro, at [cfabbro@fs.fed.us](mailto:cfabbro@fs.fed.us) to confirm your attendance in Kernville. If you can’t join us, please notify Chris by 9/12/15 so you can be refunded the conference fee. Please note that T-shirts and mugs have already been printed, so if you will not be able to attend, we will mail you your items. Thank you for your flexibility. We hope you can join FFLA this month.

**Chris, Kathy, Gary and Keith—Conference Organizers/FFLA Reps**

Lodging in Kernville, Wofford Heights, Lake Isabella (partial list—Google or Yelp have additional locations)

Sequoia Lodge -- (760) 376-2535	McNally’s Fairview – (760) 376-2430
Kernville Inn -- (760) 376-2206	Sierra Gateway Cottages -- (800) 888-8194
Kern Lodge -- (760) 376-2223	Mount N Lake Motel -- (760) 376-2307
McCambridge Lodge -- (760) 376-2288	Lakeshore Lodge -- (760) 376-1910
Pine Cone Inn -- (760) 376-6669	Sierra Vista Motel -- (760) 376-2250
Riverview Lodge -- (760) 376-6019	Kernville Rustic Vacation Cabin -- (858) 484-8374
Whispering Pines Lodge -- (760) 376-3733	Barewood Inn -- (760) 376-1910
Camp Kernville -- (760) 376-2345	Camp James -- (760) 376-6119
Kern Motel -- (760) 379-8168	Lake Isabella Motel – (760) 379-2800
Paradise Cove Lodge -- (760) 379-2719	Lakeview Motel -- (800) 929-8250

FS Camping: [https://fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/fsbdev3\\_058719.pdf](https://fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fsbdev3_058719.pdf)

Private Campgrounds (i.e. KOA): Google Search “Lake Isabella Campgrounds”