

Klamath National Forest and Butte Valley National Grassland Ranger Roll Call

History – Set aside as a forest reserve by Theodore Roosevelt in 1905, the Klamath National Forest covers an area of 1,700,000 acres located in Siskiyou County, California and Jackson County, Oregon; ranging in elevation from 459 feet to 8,920 feet. The Forest manages the Butte Valley National Grassland, which is the only national grassland in California. The Forest includes four wilderness areas--Marble Mountain, Russian, Trinity Alps, and Siskiyou. It has 200 miles of river system for rafting and 152 miles of wild and scenic rivers in the forest with the Klamath, Salmon and Scott Rivers meandering from one end of the Forest to the other. Most of the Forest is in the Klamath Mountain Geophysical Province, while the Goosenes District is in the Southern Cascades Province. There are currently 3 active ranger districts: Goosenest, Salmon/Scott, and Happy Camp/Oak Knoll.

Klamath National Forest Supervisors

Richard L.P. Bigelow	1906 – 1908
Rudo L. Fromme	1909 – 1910
William B. Rider	1910 – 1918
William A. Huestis	1918 – 1921
Thomas C. West	1921 - 1924
Fred D. Douthitt	1924 – 1934
Thomas J. Jones	1934 – 1940
William V. Jones	1940 – 1942
Carl A. Gustafson	1942 – 1946
George S. James	1946 – 1949
Russel W. Bower	1950 – 1958
Charles A. Yates	1958 – 1962
Joe F. Thornton	1962 – 1968
Richard Worthington	1968 – 1970
Daniel B. Abraham	1970 – 1978
J. Doug MacWilliams	1978 - 1981
Robert L Rice	1981 – 1989
Barbra L. Holder	1990 – 1998
Margaret J. Boland	1999 – 2007
Patricia A. Grantham	2008 – 2021
Rachel C. Smith	2021 – 2023

Klamath National Forest District Rangers

Goosenest District – Mount Hebron and Macdoel, CA

[Transferred to the Shasta NF in 1934 and back to the Klamath NF in 1954; Administers the Butte Valley National Grassland]

Dwight Palmer	1910 – ?
Charles A. Abell	1954 - 1957
Ted Schlapfer	1957 – 1960
Lester E. Clark	1961 - 1962
George E. McClusky	1962 - 1971
Hal Ward	1972 - 1978
Thomas W Farmer	1979 - 2000
Laura Allen	2004 – 2018
Drew Stroberg	2019 – 2023
Vacant	2024

Salmon/Scott River District – Fort Jones, CA

[The two districts were combined in 2005]

Ray Haupt	2005 - 2009
Dave Hays	2010 - 2014
Ted O. McArthur	2014 - 2018
Ruth L. D'Amico	2018 – 2022
Natalie Kelly	2022 -

Salmon River District – Sawyers Bar, Etna and Fort Jones, CA

[Moved from Sawyers Bar to Etna in 1981; then to Fort Jones in 1996. Combined with the Scott River District in 2005]

Frank H. Harley	1906 - 1908
Robert Finley	1908 - 1913
Michael H. McCarthy	1913 - 1917
Douglas Robinson	1917 - 1918
Noah W. Coleman	1918 - 1919
Edward P. Hickey	1920 - 1921
Millard M. Barnum	1921 - 1921
V. V. McReynolds	1921 - 1922
Judel M. Samon	1923 - 1926
Thomas A Bigelow	1926 - 1930
Clyde W. Lewis	1930 - 1935
Harvey E. Zink	1935 - 1936
Everett Jensen	1936 - 1938
William C. Meyer	1938 - 1939
Everett Jensen	1939 - 1943
Harvey E. Zink	1943 - 1946
Charles Arment	1947 - 1947
Andrew R. Schmidt	1947 - 1950
Theodore H. Simpson	1950 - 1953

Theodore A. Schlapfer	1953 - 1955
John H. Murray	1955 - 1956
William Settle	1956 - 1958
A. R. Groncki	1958 - 1965
Robert J. Devlin	1965 - 1972
Charles R. Pickering	1972 - 1975
Robert A. Smart, Jr.	1975 - 1977
Richard E. Ferneau	1977 - 1979
Lee Coonce	1979 - 1981
Ron Koenig	1981 - 1986
Michael P. Lee	1986 - 1995
John C. Schuyler	1996 - 2000
Chance Gowan*	2000 - 2005

Scott River District – Scott Bar, Gold Flat and Fort Jones, CA

[Absorbed a portion of the Oak Knoll District in 1997. Combined with the Salmon River District in 2005]

Francis P. McCarthy	1905 - 1920
Noah Coleman	1920 - 1923
George Burt Young	1923 - 1928
John Williams	1928 - 1940
Rex Denney	1940 - 1953
Theodore Simpson	1953 - 1955
Lou Haan	1955 - 1961
John Rusk	1961 - 1966
James Arasim	1966 - 1970
Thomas Neenan	1970 - 1979
Robert G Lindsay	1979 - 1998
Ray Haupt*	1998 - 2005

Callahan District – Callahan, CA

[Transferred from the Shasta NF to the Klamath NF in 1951; Absorbed into the Scott River District in 1971]

Harry J. Davis	1951 - 1957
Les Clark	1957 - 1960
Wilbur V. Howard	1961 - 1962
John C. Barrington	1963 - 1971

Happy Camp/Oak Knoll District – Happy Camp, CA

[Absorbed a portion of the Oak Knoll District in 1997]

Albert W. Lewis	1907 - 1910
Marvin M. Morgan	1910 - 1921
Earnest M. Sutcliffe	1921 - 1923
Thomas Carter	1923 - 1928
Earnest M. Sutcliffe	1928 - 1946
Harvey E. Zink	1946 - 1951
Herbert H. Scherer	1951 - 1955
Ted Simpson	1955 - 1959
Ruben C. Sullivan	1959 - 1963

Jack Williams	1963 - 1966
George Roether	1966 - 1968
Wes Hamilton	1968 - 1972
Dick Henry	1972 - 1977
George Harper	1977 - 1997
Michael K. Condon	1997 - 2002
Alan Vandiver	2002 - 2008
Ken Harris	2008 - 2012
Tom Mutz	2012 - 2015
Jeff Marszal	2015 - 2018
Jeremy Sullens	2018 - 2020
Roberto Beltran	2020 - 2023
Mike Appling	2023 - present

Oak Knoll District – Yreka and Klamath River, CA

[Created in 1964 or 1965 out of portions of the Yreka and Seiad Districts; Absorbed into the Happy Camp and Scott River Districts in 1997]

Marcus W. Petty	1965 - 1966
Larry E. Ballew	1966 - 1971
John E. Tonneson	1972 - 1976
Steve Rader	1977 - 1983
John G. Greer	1984 - 1990
Jan Ford	1992 - 1997

Seiad District – Fort Goff and Seiad Valley, CA

[Shut down from 1942 to 1953; absorbed into the Oak Knoll RD in 1971]

Horace Phillips	1910 - 1911
Jack E Moore	1953 - 1957
Charles W Burk	1961 -- 1965
Thomas E Neenan	1966 - 1970

Yreka District – Quigley Ranch, Gottville and Yreka, CA

[Absorbed into the Goosenest and Oak Knoll Districts in 1964]

Chris Quigley	1907 - 1908
William Gott	1910 - 1912
Robert Finley	1913 - 1919
Perry Hill	1919 - 1924
Charles H. Simson	1924 - 1928
Ruben P. Box	1928 - 1930
Tom Bigelow	1930 - 1930
W. S. Williams	1930 - 1933
G. K. Fox	1933 - 1935
William Hawkins	1935 - 1936
Clyde Lewis	1936 - 1938
Alvin Parker	1938 - 1943
Ralph Bangsberg	1943 - 1945
Oscar L. Barnum	1945 - 1947
John S. Hall	1948 - 1957
Frank E. Tucker	1961 - 1962

Marcus E. Petty 1963 – 1964

Siskiyou District – Oak Knoll and Seiad Valley, CA

[Abolished in 1941 or 1943 and absorbed into the Yreka, Scott River and Happy Camp Districts]

G. Ken Fox	1929 – 1933
John Milton Buck	1934 – 1935
Clyde Lewis	1935 – 1936
Norman J. Farrell	1936 – 1938
Walter Rex Denney	1938 – 1940
Angelo Mazzetta	1940 -- 1943

Ukonom District – Somes Bar and Orleans, CA

[Created sometime between 1958 and 1961; Transferred to the Six Rivers NF in 1999]

George M Coombes	1961 – 1965
Franklin H Johnson	1965 – 1968
Gary E Munsey	1968 – 1969
Joe E Ragsdale	1969 – 1971
Richard L Gibson	1972 – 1974
Ted Subblefield	1974 -- 1976
Robert G Lindsay	1977 -- 1979
Ron Koenig	1980 -- 1981
David Peters	1982 -- 1986
Alice Forbes	1987 -- 1990
Sam Wilbanks	1991 -- 1996
John Martin	1997 -- 1999

Orleans District – Orleans, CA

[Absorbed into the new six Rivers NF in 1947]

J. L. Ammon	1907 – 1908
Bill Hotelling	1908 - 1910
Frank Harley	1910 – 1920
Earnest Sutcliffe	1920 – 1921
Ed P. Hickey	1921 - 1927
E. L. Shellenbarger	1928 - 1930
Samuel R. Wallace	1930 - 1935
Russel W. Bower	1936 - 1940
Frank W. Embree	1940 - 1943
C.K. St. John	1943 -1947