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### Monte Wolfe Cabin to Receive Repair

Placerville, CA... Temporary repairs are coming to an historic cabin located in a remote area of the Mokelumne Wilderness in the Eldorado National Forest. The Forest Service is evaluating logistics for bringing in materials to the Wilderness needed to close a door-opening and patch a hole in the roof of an historic structure known as the Monte Wolfe cabin. The Forest Service in good faith removed the door and stove pipe in October in response to inappropriate use of the cabin.

“The cabin was determined to be eligible for listing as a National Register Historic Property and our removal of the door and the stovepipe was a premature step,” said Forest Supervisor Ramiro Villalvazo. “We are evaluating the best methods for remedying problems caused by our modification. I am sorry this happened. I intend to dispatch staff to make repairs as soon as it is safe to do so.”

The holes will be patched as a temporary measure to be followed up with longer term measures.

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According to the 1964 Wilderness Act: *a wilderness, in contrast with those areas where man and his own works dominate the landscape, is hereby recognized as an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain.*