

# Modoc National Forest Float Joins Community Parades



The Modoc National Forest Float designed by Monte Fenske, Fire Prevention Officer on the Warner Mountain Ranger District, to celebrate the 100th year of service for the U.S. Forest Service and Smokey Bears' 60th Birthday participated in parades throughout Modoc County this summer.

The float participated in Fandango Days, Big Valley Days, the Modoc County Fair and the Tulelake Fair. It took first place in every event it participated in. The centerpiece for this year's float was a model of the Blue Mountain Lookout constructed by Monte Fenske.

The model lookout will see future use for fair displays, school programs and public displays for understanding

the important roles lookouts play in detecting fires and supporting suppression activities.

The real success story is that Monte Fenske pulled this together with limited time and budget to celebrate 100 years of Caring for the Land and Serving People.

This year's float served multiple purposes but captured the key point that the Modoc National Forest has been serving the public in Modoc, Lassen, Shasta and Siskiyou Counties for 100 years.

The creation of this float and our active participation in the various parades would not have been possible without the active support of Nan Madden, Fire Prevention Officer for the Modoc National Forest and

members of the fire organization and public affairs departments that staffed the float during the parades.

The pride and professionalism exhibited by all those involved in these events presented simply the best of the Modoc National Forest.



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