An hour north of the cultural bustle of San Francisco and an hour west from the government hustle of Sacramento, there’s a patch of land that allows the city's stressed to take a breath amongst the calm, natural wilderness. That land is Berryessa Snow Mountain; its 350,000 acres of federal public land extend outward from Lake Berryessa covering a wild landscape in five counties. Berryessa Snow Mountain is home to rare native species like the gold and bald eagle, Tule elk and the serpentine willow. It is a prized resource for the nearby communities with abundant opportunities for hiking, boating, camping, birding, fishing, horseback riding and other outdoor recreation. Berryessa Snow Mountain is a natural wonder worthy of national monument recognition.

**Protecting Wildlife**
The Berryessa Snow Mountain area is one of great ecological importance and provides habitat to a host of wildlife including:

- Pacific Fisher
- Peregrine Falcon
- American Badger
- Hombolt Marten
- Black Bear
- Mountain Lion
- Bald Eagle
- Golden Eagle
- Burrowing Owl
- Mule Deer
- Tule Elk
- Rainbow Trout

**FAST FACTS ABOUT BERRYESSA SNOW MOUNTAIN**

- **Protecting Recreation**
  More than half of Californians participate in outdoor recreation every year, according to the Outdoor Industry Association. Whether it’s hiking to the 80-foot-high Zim Zim waterfall, fly-fishing in Putah Creek, or viewing wildflowers and wildlife the Berryessa Snow Mountain region offers something for everyone.

- **Supporting the Economy**
  The five localities that share access to this beautiful landscape will benefit economically from a monument designation. Numerous studies have shown that counties near monuments and national parks enjoy increased property values and raised incomes.

  “The Berryessa Snow Mountain Region is a unique national treasure and we have a responsibility to preserve it for our kids and grandkids.”
  - Congressman Mike Thompson

- **Safeguarding Rare Plants and Animals**
  Plants such as Sargent’s cypress and the Serpentine Willow play a huge part in keeping the Berryessa Snow Mountain forests healthy and the watersheds clean. Protecting this land through a monument designation would ensure that these plants, and the animals they support, can thrive.

- **Preservation for Future Generations**
  A monument designation will not only protect the region for current visitors and residents alike, but will ensure that future generations can enjoy its stunning landscapes, wildlife and recreation as well.
**HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

Tell President Obama how important it is to permanently protect Berryessa Snow Mountain! Visit [sc.org/ProtectBerryessa](http://sc.org/ProtectBerryessa).

Support the Sierra Club: Follow the campaign at [berryessasnowmountain.org](http://berryessasnowmountain.org).

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