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Lassen National Forest Finds Snowmobiles in Wilderness

Susanville, CA…While on routine patrols Saturday, March 8th, Forest Service law enforcement officers discovered snowmobile tracks leading into the Caribou Wilderness. The tracks were discovered in an area that receives repeated intrusions

Officers discovered that the tracks led approximately 300 yards into the Caribou Wilderness before coming out on the northwest side of Silver Lake. Officers made

in the Wilderness, and that he did not intentionally enter, however this was a common route for him to take.

Officers noted that signs indicating where the wilderness boundary was located, and what permitted uses are allowed, were prominently displayed throughout the area where the snowmobile tracks led. The owner of the snowmobile was issued a violation

Offenders can be fined up to $5000 or be sentenced
District Ranger, Susan Matthews commented, “We are actively enforcing restrictions

compatible use in a wilderness area.”

The Caribou Wilderness was officially designated a Wilderness in 1964, and as part of