

Defending Forests

A Spectrum of Strategies



Lessons Learned from Two Incredible Places

Sunday, June 9, 5 pm Online

Healthy forests provide a web of ecological connections, irreplaceable “services” that our ecosystem depends on, and critical habitat for threatened species. But, while forests existed in a truly resilient and sustainable condition historically, significant human impacts are threatening forests on a global scale. Inspiring us with stunning photos of his home region, California’s Sierra Nevada mountains...

John Buckley will illustrate forests' key role in mitigating climate change by capturing and storing carbon. John will demonstrate how human-caused changes – including roads, logging, conversion to agriculture lands, the loss of wildlife species, pollution of streams and rivers, etc. – are degrading and destroying forests world-wide. Personal and collective strategies for restoring right relationships with our forests, wooded areas and wild lands will focus on connecting with advocacy groups. He will explore forest management strategies and the values behind them, as well as honoring indigenous knowledge.

John Buckley is the Executive Director of the Central Sierra Environmental Resource Center, a non-profit organization he founded in 1991 after 13 years as a wildland firefighter and forestry technician with the U.S. Forest Services. CSERC is the key NGO working to defend water, wildlife and wild places across 3 million acres in the Northern Yosemite region of California's Central Sierra Nevada. John loves being out in the wild mountains where he conducts field surveys in remote areas, oversees fieldwork to protect streams and rivers, and locates rare wildlife species.

He is the author of Hotshot, a memoir detailing his experiences as a wildland firefighter; a founding member of three major stakeholder collaborative groups in his local region; and a seasoned environmental educator.

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