

## **Unauthorized Rainbow Gathering Law Enforcement Update:**

There are an estimated 2,450 people on site. To date, law enforcement officials have issued 138 warning notices and 24 violation notices, and have made five arrests. On Saturday, law enforcement officers made two felony warrant arrests.

This gathering is in violation of federal regulations.

Forest Service regulations require that all noncommercial groups of 75 or more people obtain a free noncommercial group use permit in advance. The Rainbow Family has NOT applied for or obtained this permit from the Forest Service as required by law.

Participants and spectators involved in the gathering are hereby notified that they are in violation of Federal regulation 36 CFR 261.10(k) and are individually subject to legal action.

The construction or maintenance of structures and improvements such as latrines (slit trenches), bridges, fences, water systems, and rock and mud ovens or stoves is prohibited under 36 CFR 261.10(a) without prior written permission from an authorized Forest Service officer. Violators are subject to legal action.

The Forest Service will fulfill its responsibility for resource protection and compliance with the law. Participants and spectators will be expected to comply with the law, and enforcement action will be taken for violations.

Photo: Unauthorized Rainbow Gathering Event

