

Cave Divers as a Resource for Cave Management

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With WNS looming in most states, federal and state authorities closing down caves faster than we find them, liability for divers and property owners on a climb, cave divers feel that they need to reach for some solutions. My goal in Mammoth, and with State and Federal agencies has been to help create procedures aligned with some already existing protocols, helping to set the foundation for safe projects; which in turn educates the authorities and pub-

lic to our successful efforts through results. Cave divers are a huge resource to public and private sectors, so we need to send that message out, as loud and clear as possible. We do that by establishing and following proven procedures and methods of operation, strong organization, high standards and cooperation with other groups and entities. This has allowed us to undertake some complicated projects with good results.

