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Jim Anderson and Jeremy Fields standing next to a mushroom drying shelter on the Sisters District industrial camping area.

FOREST: Mushroom and pinecone pickers use site; so do bikers

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plastic-covered structure, Fields said, “It’s difficult for me to put myself into Thai culture, like this place. They not only dry mushrooms here, but they live in this tiny tent. I don’t know if I could do that.”

The buildings are made from poles left over from a thinning operation that took place previously, and cut from the nearby forest.

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The site is a paying proposition for both the USFS and the people who use the area.

It’s a modest operation. Unlike Crescent Ranger District, which sees thousands of mushroom-pickers in spring and summer, the Sisters district only has 50 or so using the paid-for industrial site. Adjoining the camping area are several numbered sites mushroom-buyers pay for when they set up their operation.

As Fields passed one of the buyers’ spaces he pointed to the sign and said, “This is where Mr. Kim sets up his operation. He’s one of the nicest people I know, and you know what? When he

leaves there’s nothing for us to do but look forward to him returning next season.”

After a pause, Fields grinned and said, “Last year we presented Mr. Kim with the neatest-camper-of-the-year award.”

Instead of reacting to dispersed actions on the land, the Sisters Ranger District has established a designated area in the basin where industrial activities can occur. Typically this activity is buying and selling of mushrooms. However, pinecone-collectors and other ‘industrial’ campers stay there too, including biker groups.

There are three plastic containers with used motor oil in them set out of the way, signs that someone changed oil in that location.

“Yeah, that’s not allowed with their permit,” Fields said, shaking his head. Then he added, “But look, they left it set away from any chance of fire or spilling, and I’ll bet it will be gone in a couple of days.”

Another aspect of the industrial camp is the permit-buyers must provide toilets. The Forest Service supplies two big dumpsters for personal trash, and they are emptied twice through the season. It’s difficult to see today where they are placed each season; the soil is disturbed in a way that could have been a logging landing left over from the thinning operation.

One other factor seems to make the industrial site work smoothly: Each season Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council and the Youth Conservation Corps conduct the annual spring cleaning of the area before permits are sold. There is a fall cleanup as well.

Fields noted how quickly the mushrooms gathered at the site travel from the forests of Sisters Country. In two days they will be on the table as a delicacy in Korea and other parts of Asia.

The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Blue or red
 - 6 Store away
 - 10 TV remote control button
 - 14 Bring together
 - 15 Barber’s focus
 - 16 As comfortable ___ old shoe
 - 17 Glasgow folks
 - 18 Up to the task
 - 19 ___ tube; chemist’s vial
 - 20 Boxer & Hatch
 - 22 Shrewd
 - 24 ___-in; one with no appointment
 - 25 Harder to climb
 - 26 In the direction of
 - 29 Dark yellow
 - 30 ___, dos, tres...
 - 31 Musical speed
 - 33 Odist John ___
 - 37 Lager
 - 39 Like umbrella weather
 - 41 Twofold
 - 42 Valuable thing
 - 44 Move furtively
 - 46 Enjoy a snow activity
 - 47 One’s strong point
 - 49 Warmed up
 - 51 Fights against
 - 54 Standard
 - 55 Raspy-voiced
 - 56 Trailblazers
 - 60 Tell ___; fib
 - 61 Gator’s cousin
 - 63 Arm joint
 - 64 Howard & Paul
 - 65 Roll call response
 - 66 African nation
 - 67 Helper: abbr.
 - 68 Take ___; assume control
 - 69 Impudent
- DOWN**
- 1 Use bad words
 - 2 A single time
 - 3 Roaring beast
 - 4 Canada’s capital
 - 5 Begin anew
 - 6 Dangerous fish
 - 7 Hunter and others
 - 8 ___ of Olay
 - 9 Yuletide greenery
 - 10 Was important
 - 11 Spend
 - 12 One of the five senses
 - 13 Go into
 - 21 Not as up-to-date
 - 23 Hide and ___
 - 25 Griddle bread
 - 26 Largest brass instrument
 - 27 Small bills
 - 28 Troubles
 - 29 State one’s views
 - 32 Ship poles
 - 34 Paul Hogan’s home: abbr.
 - 35 Accept
 - 36 Went down a fire pole
 - 38 Cover an area with new trees
 - 40 E-mail provider for millions
 - 43 Throw
 - 45 Pieces of corn
 - 48 Reverberate
 - 50 Aviator Earhart
 - 51 Scarlett of fiction
 - 52 Marco & others
 - 53 Aches
 - 54 Friendlier
 - 56 Tiny skin opening
 - 57 Diminishes
 - 58 Rogers & Clark
 - 59 Influence
 - 62 Clergyman’s title: abbr.

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