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Barnie Gyant is the Deputy Regional Forester for Resources for the Pacific Southwest Region (Region 5), USDA Forest Service. He oversees the areas of Program Development and Budget, Ecosystems Management, Ecosystems Planning, Information Management, and Tribal Relations. Mr. Gyant was previously the Deputy Director of Ecosystem Management in Region 5 from September 2009 to June 2012. Barnie successfully completed a temporary promotion to Director, Ecosystem Management for four months in 2010 and for five months in 2011. He has an extensive background including work assignments as Forest Supervisor, Deputy Forest Supervisor, District Ranger, Deputy District Ranger, and Resources Program Manager.

Early in his career, he was a Fisheries Biologist. Barnie has extensive experience as a line officer and natural resources manager for the past 20 years working on eight different national forests and in four different regions. Barnie earned a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Biology from East Carolina University. Key strengths include a strong background in natural resources and ecological restoration and strong communication and collaboration skills.