

## KOA issues statement about PG&E work at proposed site

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Officials from Kampgrounds of America (KOA) have issued a statement regarding utility work happening on the property they own on Highway 140 east of Mariposa.

That property has been controversial in recent months and is the site targeted by KOA and its subsidiary, Terramor, for a major development of campgrounds and RV sites.

That development remains in its early stages, with the company yet to submit its formal plans for the area. They have submitted initial inquiries and according to county officials, a formal submission is not expected until later this year.

The company is proposing a major development on both sides of Highway 140 at Triangle Road. It would include RV sites, camping cabins, tent camping as well as a store, restaurant and more.

Some local residents have been vocal in opposition to the development. No further action on the part of Mariposa County is expected until the formal application is received. Once that happens, there is a long and tedious process involved before there could be any approval.

That process would involve public hearings and meetings.

Following is the statement released by KOA:



"The utility company PG&E is currently using the site of a future KOA campground as a temporary construction lay down yard as they perform fire-hardening utility work in the Mariposa-Yosemite community."

"In addition to our commitment to connecting people to the outdoors and each other, KOA is dedicated to being a great neighbor in the communities we are a part of," said Eric Rathburn, vice president of real estate at Kampgrounds of America, Inc.

"We are happy to work with PG&E to ensure that this critical, preemptive work helps to protect all of Mariposa County from the damaging effects of wildfires."

There is no development of the campground by Kampgrounds of America Inc. taking place on the property at this time, officials said in the statement.