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**The Origins of The Earth Liberation Front**

A brief internet search reveals that there are actually different viewpoints as to the origin of ELF. One source claims the group originated in the United Kingdom in 1992, while other sources such as GreenAlert claim it was founded in 1977 near Santa Cruz, California.

Because the ELF structure is non-hierarchical, there is no centralized organization or leadership. There is also no "membership" in the Earth Liberation Front. In the past, as you can see in the [News Archives](#), individuals have committed arson and other illegal acts under the ELF name. Individuals who choose to do actions under the banner of E.L.F. do so only driven by their personal conscience. These have been individual choices, and are not endorsed, encouraged, or approved of by the management and participants of this web site.

**Earth Liberation Front News**

**Arrested to Learn His Fate**

Justus Ireland, 24, is scheduled to be sentenced March 8th in U.S. District Court for setting fire to Stock Lumber Supply in West Jordan, Utah on June 14, 2004. He faces five to 20 years in prison and fines of up to \$250,000. For more on this story, click on: [ELF News](#)

**Pipe Bomb Disassembled at California DMV Office**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - A pipe bomb was found and safely dismantled at a Department of Motor Vehicles office Tuesday - the latest in what is being investigated as a string of possible ecoterrorist incidents in communities east of Sacramento. In the same community of Auburn, a different type of homemade explosive was found and dismantled Sunday outside the Placer County Courthouse. No one claimed responsibility for either incident, the FBI (news - web sites) said. The FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force is now investigating five incidents. The earliest occurred Dec. 27 and two have been claimed as the work of the Earth Liberation Front, a radical environmental group. "We're certainly not discounting that they all could be related, but we haven't made that leap," said FBI spokeswoman Karen Ernst. Five incendiary devices of still a different design were found before they could explode Jan. 12 at a commercial complex under construction in Auburn. There's been one arrest. Three similar devices were used in an attempted bombing Dec. 27 at

**Arrest Made in One of Three Calif. Arsons**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Investigators said Thursday they have made an arrest in one of three recent alleged eco-terror arsons or attempted arsons east of Sacramento. Ryan D. Lewis, 21, was arrested Wednesday at his home in Newcastle and charged with the Jan. 12 attempted firebombing of a commercial building in the nearby city of Auburn, northeast of Sacramento.

**FBI Agent Offers Insight Into ELF**

"We've certainly seen statements from ELF that are consistent, or at least not inconsistent with what's in this letter," said former FBI Special Agent Jim Maddock. "Their ideology is to espouse anarchy, espouse individual actions against property or against things they think are wrong, generally too much development," Maddock claimed.

**ELF Blamed For SUV Arson**

PITTSBURGH (AP) - On New Year's Day two years ago, the Earth Liberation Front, a radical environmental group, claimed responsibility for igniting several trucks and sport utility vehicles at an auto dealership - the fourth and last known attack in northwestern Pennsylvania in the preceding year. ELF's lack of structure makes infiltration difficult and it

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