#1. Whitney Portal Campground: Group and family campground parking is limited to registered campground guests. Vehicles must be parked within the designated parking space for their campsite.

#2. No Parking: This area is for Forest Service administrative use only. No public parking on side roads or dirt lot.

#3. Loading and Unloading Zone: Whitney Portal Trailhead, from rockwork identifying the trailhead pedestrian way, west to Whitney Portal Store pedestrian way is roadside loading and unloading zone where terrain allows while maintaining a clear safety lane. Additional loading zone is located near the pedestrian way to the fishing dock and pond.

#4. Picnic Area, Pond, and Whitney Portal Store: No parking pass is needed. Parking is permitted 6am to 8pm for spaces shaded yellow. Whitney Portal Store parking spaces are for store customers only. Day Use Parking has 12 parking spaces for visitors using the picnic area, fishing pond, or short hikes that do not enter the Mt Whitney Zone, like Lone Pine Lake.

#5. Hiker Parking: Parking pass required to park after 8pm or prior to 6am. Vehicles not to exceed 20’. No long term parking. Vehicles parking overnight must display a parking pass on the dashboard with expiration date visible.

#6. Recreation Residences: Recreation residence road parking by permission of residence permittee only.

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**Expect Delays on Whitney Portal Road:**

There may be times with minimal delays, however 30 minute delays should be expected. During some stages of construction there will be two 3-hour closures per day.

Wilderness Permit Information: 1-760-873-2483

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Parking at Whitney Portal

Plan Ahead for 2016 Whitney Portal Road Reconstruction Project

Whitney Portal Road re-pavement project is scheduled to be completed in November. Parking will be limited even when construction is suspended on weekends, or holidays (Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day).

**Hikers are strongly encouraged to carpool, consider being dropped off by friends, or hire a shuttle service to access Whitney Portal. At times, there may not be a parking space available.**

Visitors to the Whitney Portal Recreation Area, including the picnic area, fishing pond, and Whitney Portal Store may park between 6am and 8pm, if space is available. Maximum vehicle length in parking lots is 20 ft. Overnight parking requires displaying a parking pass on the vehicle dash with the parking date visible.

Whitney Portal group and family campground parking is limited to registered guests. Vehicles must be parked within the designated parking space for the campsite. Vehicle length varies by site. Campsite must be occupied each night. Day hikers staying at Whitney Portal Campground should consider leaving vehicles parked at their campsite and walk the National Recreation Trail 1/2 mile to the trailhead.

**Vehicles parked in violation of posted instructions, overnight without a parking pass, that overstay their limit, interfere with construction activities, or are unsafely parked will be ticketed and/or towed.**

Parking Pass:
- Parking pass does not guarantee a parking space.
- Hiker parking lot is limited to a maximum of 3 nights, no long term parking.
- Roadside parking is limited to a maximum of 24 hours, when roadside parking is allowed.
- Roadside parking is not allowed when construction is ongoing near Whitney Portal.

Groups with a reserved wilderness permit for Mt. Whitney, North Fork of Lone Pine Creek, or Meysan Lakes will be issued one parking pass per group; however the trip must begin and end at Whitney Portal within the three night parking limit. Reserved Mt Whitney Zone Day Use hikers will be issued a one day parking pass for the date of their hike, valid midnight to midnight.

Walk-in wilderness permits for Whitney Portal area trails will be limited during periods of parking congestion. No parking pass will be issued for walk-in wilderness permits or reserved trips starting on other trails. You may not park or stage a vehicle at Whitney Portal if you are exiting from the PCT, JMT, HST or any other route that did not start at Whitney Portal.

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**Be Bear Aware!**

At Whitney Portal:
- Do not leave your pack unattended.
- Never store food in tents.
- Secure ice chests and food in food storage lockers.
- Do not leave food in your car!
- Bear have been known to break into car trunks, RVs and camper shells.