

Carson National Forest Campgrounds

Be a good neighbor and follow these regulations while staying in National Forest campgrounds:

- ❖ Registration and payment of campsite are required within one half-hour of arrival
- ❖ Radios and electronic devices must be off during quiet time hours. Those hours are between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- ❖ Speed limit in campgrounds is 15 MPH
- ❖ Ask your campground host or a ranger for guidance regarding where to park extra vehicles
- ❖ Set up your tents on gravel pads where provided. This helps prevent the degradation of vegetation.
- ❖ Campground stay limit is 14 days
- ❖ Dogs must be on a leash at all times

Forest Service campgrounds are patrolled by uniformed Forest Service and State and local law enforcement officers. Rules regarding good neighbor policy and the consideration of others are enforced.

All campgrounds have first come/first serve availability.

A selected few are on a reservation system. Campgrounds and locations are listed on www.recreation.gov

Agua Piedra-Single Family Campsites & Group Shelter-State HWY 518, Camino Real RD

Hopewell Lake- Single Family Campsites & Group Shelter-US HWY 64, Tres Piedras RD

Cimarron-Valle Vidal Unit, Forest Road 1950, Questa RD

Fawn Lakes-State HWY 38, Questa RD

Columbine-State HWY 38, Questa RD

Junebug- State HWY 38, Questa RD

Elephant Rock- State HWY 38, Questa RD



➤ *You may make the reservation through the website www.recreation.gov or call to make a reservation, phone number **1-877-444-6777**.*



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Dispersed Camping Regulations:

You don't have to camp in a developed campground. Camping is allowed anywhere within the Carson National Forest with the following restrictions:



- ❖ Follow dispersed camping rules listed in Travel Management map
- ❖ 200 feet from streams, lakes, trails and roads
- ❖ 300 feet from streams and lakes in designated wilderness areas
- ❖ 1/2 mile from any roads in the Valle Vidal Unit
- ❖ Dispersed camping stay limit is 14 days
- ❖ Pack out what you pack in. All trash must be taken with you.
- ❖ Make sure your campfire is dead out before leaving campsite.

Dispersed camping is allowed year-round-PLEASE BE PREPARED FOR WINTER CAMPING

Ranger Districts and Supervisor's Office:

- #1-Canjilon Ranger District, State Road 115, Bldg. 358, Canjilon, NM 87515 (575) 684-2489**
- #2-El Rito Ranger District, HWY 554, Bldg. 1221, El Rito, NM 87530 (575) 581-4554**
- #3-Jicarilla Ranger District, 1110 Rio Vista Lane, Unit 2, Bloomfield, NM 87413 (505) 632-2956**
- #4-Camino Real Ranger District, 15160 State Road 75, Peñasco, NM 87553 (575) 587-2255**
- #6-Tres Piedras Ranger District, 22280 US HWY 64, Tres Piedras, NM 87577 (575) 758-8678**
- #7-Questa Ranger District, 184 State HWY 38, Questa, NM 87556 (575) 586-0520**
- Carson National Forest-Supervisor's Office, 208 Cruz Alta Rd. Taos, NM 87571 (575) 758-6200**

Additional Information:

- **Developed Campgrounds** generally open the week of Memorial Day weekend and close after Labor Day weekend with exceptions on some sites.
- **There are NO RV hook-ups at any Carson NF campgrounds**
- **Camping fees are per vehicle per night**
- **Campgrounds do not have RV hook-ups**
- **No shower facilities available at campgrounds**
- **There are no dump stations on the Carson National Forest**

DUMP STATIONS

Dump stations are available at:
Red River Sewage: (575) 754-6671
Taos RV: (575) 758-1667 (open from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

- **For specific information on campgrounds or camping please call the Ranger District or the Supervisor's Office. (see listing on the left)**

Carson National Forest Campground List & Information

Campground Name	Fishing	Hiking	Picnickin	Season	Ranger District	Elevation	# of family units	Drinking Water	Fee	Trailer Under	Reserva tion available	Information	Accessible
1. *Agua Piedra				May to Sept	4	8,100	44		\$	36'	YES	water system down	
2. Buzzard Park				May to Oct	3	7,300	4			32'		Road slick when wet	
3. Cabresto Lake				May to Sept	7	9,500	9			No		Primitive road last 2 miles	
4. Canjilon Lakes				June to Sept	1	9,900	52		\$	22'		Picnic area is separate	
5. Capulin				May to Sept	4	8,000	11		\$	12'		Scenic Canyons- restrooms are handicap accessible	
6. Cebolla Mesa				May to Sept	7	7,300	5			32'		Road slick when wet	
7. Cedar Springs				May to Nov	3	7,300	4			32'		Road slick when wet	
8. *Cimarron				May to Oct	7	9,400	36		\$	32'	YES	Facilities for horses-Scenic Canyons	
9. *Columbine				May to Oct	7	7,900	27		\$	32'	YES	Scenic Canyons	
10. Comales				May to Sept	4	7,800	13		\$	36'		Fishing-Catch and Release	
11. Cuchillo del Medio				May to Sept	7	7,800	5			16'			
12. Duran Canyon				May to Sept	4	9,000	12 **		\$	16'		OHV trails	
13. Echo Amphitheater				Jan to Dec	1	6,600	10		\$	32'		11 picnic units	
14.*Elephant Rock				May to Sept	7	8,300	22		\$	16'	YES	Scenic Canyons	
15. El Rito Creek				April to Oct	2	7,600	11			22'			
16. *Fawn Lakes				May to Oct	7	8,500	18		\$	32'	YES	Scenic Canyons	
17. Flechado				May to Sept	4	8,400	4						
18. Goat Hill				May to Sept	7	7,500	5		\$	32'		Scenic Canyons	
19. Hodges				May to Sept	4	8,200	12			22'		Dispersed camping, toilet, no trash available	
20. *Hopewell Lake				May to Oct	6	9,800	32		\$	32'	YES	Picnic area is separate	
21. *Junebug				May to Oct	7	8,500	22		\$	22'	YES	Scenic Canyons	
22. Lagunitas				June to Oct	6	10,400	14			16'		Primitive road-road slick when wet	
23. La Bobita												Overflow area for other campsites off of ST HWY 38	
24. La Junta Canyon				May to Sept	4	9,400	33		\$	36'		Has fire rings, no picnic tables	
25. La Sombra				May to Sept	4	7,800	13		\$	12'		Restroom is Handicap Accessible	
26. Las Petacas				May to Nov	4	7,400	8		\$	12'		Scenic Canyons-restroom is Handicap Accessible	
27. Laguna Larga													
28. Los Pinos				May to Nov	6	8,300						flooded in spring, use Forest Rd 284	
29. Lower Hondo				May to Sept	7	7,700	4			16'			
30. McCrystal				May to Nov	7	8,100	60		\$	32'		Scenic Canyons-Facilities for horses	
31. Santa Barbara				May to Sept	4	8,900	21		\$	30'		Horse trailer parking	
32. Trout Lakes				May to Oct	1	9,000	12			16'			
33. Twining				June to Sept	7	9,300	4			16'		End of parking, bulletin board	
34. Upper Cuchillo				May to Sept	7	9,300	5			No		Primitive	
35. Upper La Junta				May to Sept	4	9,400	8 **		\$	16'		OHV trails nearby- toilets, trash available	

**Duran and Upper La Junta camp grounds can get water at La Junta Canyon.

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