Belknap Campground
Sequoia National Forest
Giant Sequoia National Monument
Western Divide Ranger District

Location:
Located 19 miles east of Springville, California, take State Highway 190 to the community of Camp Nelson. Turn onto Nelson Drive and follow the signs through town.

Know Before You Go
♦ Elevation is at 4,800 feet.
♦ Open from May 15th-November 15th depending on weather conditions.
♦ The campground has 15 single family units. trailers are not permitted.
♦ Vault toilets, potable water, tables, and BBQ stoves are provided.
♦ Nearby hiking trails pass through giant sequoia groves.
♦ Belknap Creek runs through the campground and the Middle Fork of the Tule River is within walking distance.
♦ Fishing is available year around in the Tule River Drainage with a valid CA Fishing License. Consult CA Dept. of Fish & Game for specific regulations.
♦ Supplies are available at Camp Nelson and Pierpoint Springs located within 2 miles of the campground.
♦ Fees may be higher on holiday weekends.
♦ Pets: Pet’s are welcome. In developed recreation areas, pet’s must be under your control and on a leash no longer than 6 feet. Please be courteous and dispose properly of your pet’s waste.

Reservations:
Campgrounds on the Western Divide Ranger District are managed under concessionaire agreement with California Land Management (CLM). Reservations are to be made through Recreation.gov or (1-877-444-6777). Instruction for payment of fees will be provided by Recreation.gov or available at the campground entrance. Visitors will be able to reserve a type of site (i.e., tent, etc.) Unreserved sites are available on a "first-come first-served" basis. Length of stay is limited to 14 days.

Family Campground Courtesy: Respect the rights and privacy of other campers. Place trash in receptacles or pack it out with you. Treat signs, tables, and facilities as if they were your own. Keep noise to a minimum and leave your campsite the way you would like to find it.
Campfire Permits
You may want a campfire for cooking, enjoying its warmth, and roasting marshmallows.

For campfires, stoves, lanterns or barbeques used outside a campground or recreational vehicle and some developed campgrounds, you need a campfire permit.

The permit is free, valid for a full year from January 1 to December 31, and may be obtained in person from Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, CAL FIRE offices, or online at permit.preventwildfiresca.org. Your responsibilities for building and putting out your fire safely are explained on the campfire permit. 36 CFR 261.52(k) PRC 4433.

Be aware that as fire danger becomes greater, campfires may be prohibited. Please check to find out if there are fire restrictions in the area where you intend to camp.

You are welcome to gather dead and down wood to use for your campfire, but not to take home unless you obtain a fuelwood permit.

Firearms:
Firearms are not to be discharged within 150 yards of campgrounds, roads, trails, buildings or any body of water. Discharging of a firearm or any other implement capable of taking human life, causing injury, or damaging property is prohibited.

OHV’s and Mountain Bikes
Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV’s) that are licensed or registered under the Green Sticker program are allowed on dirt roads signed for their use with a brown and white Forest Service Road Sign. These roads also appear on the Sequoia National Forest Map. All trails outside wilderness areas are open for bicycles unless signed closed.

Practice a Leave No Trace! Ethic.
When you leave your campsite,
Take all garbage, large and small.
PACK IT IN!
PACK IT OUT!

Thank you for your help in making forest visits enjoyable and safe! Plan ahead by obtaining a National Forest map at one of the following offices:

Western Divide Ranger District
32588 Hwy 190
Springville, CA 93265
559-539-2607

Forest Supervisor’s Office
1839 S. Newcomb Street
Porterville, CA 93257
559-784-1500