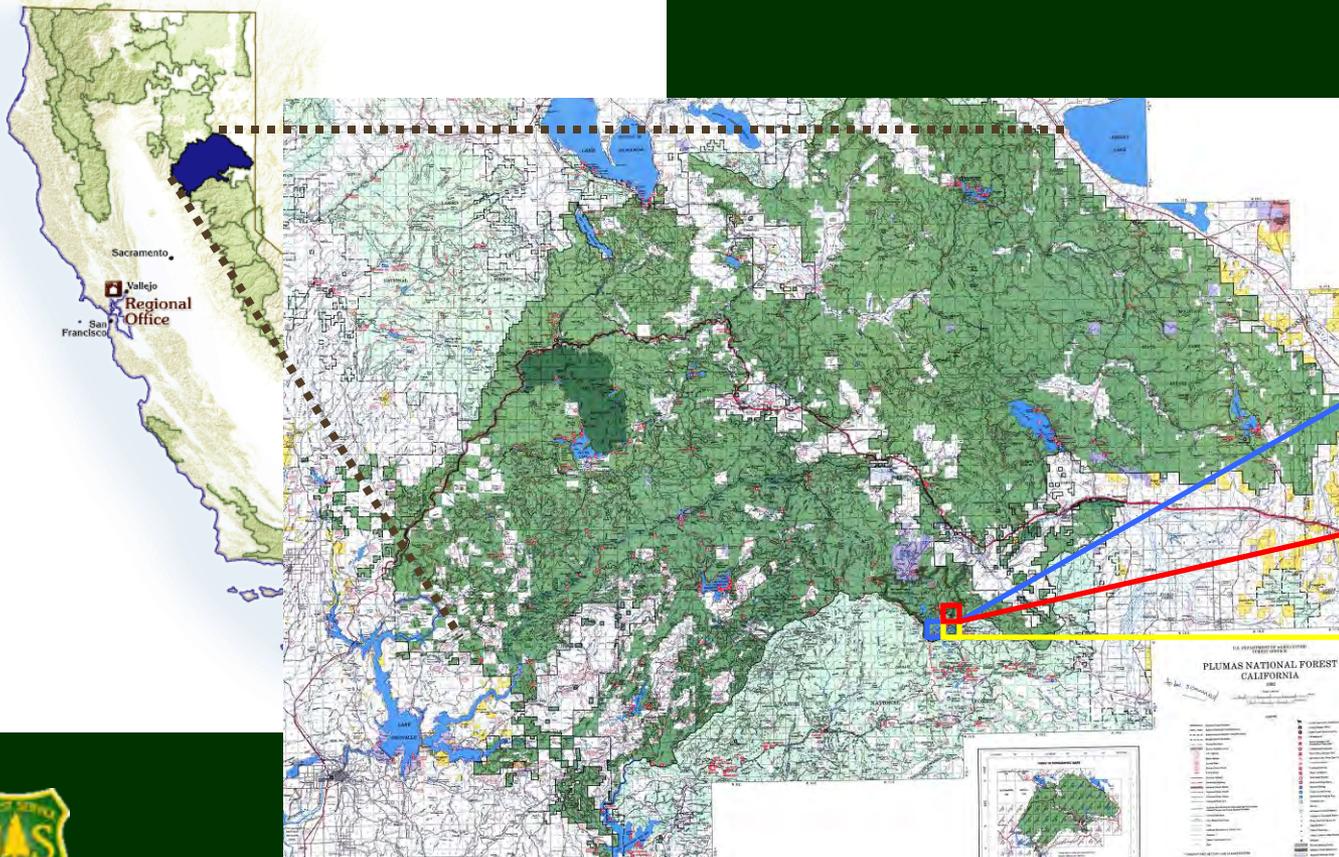


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Recreation Fees at Work

Plumas National Forest New Expanded Amenity Campground Fee Proposals



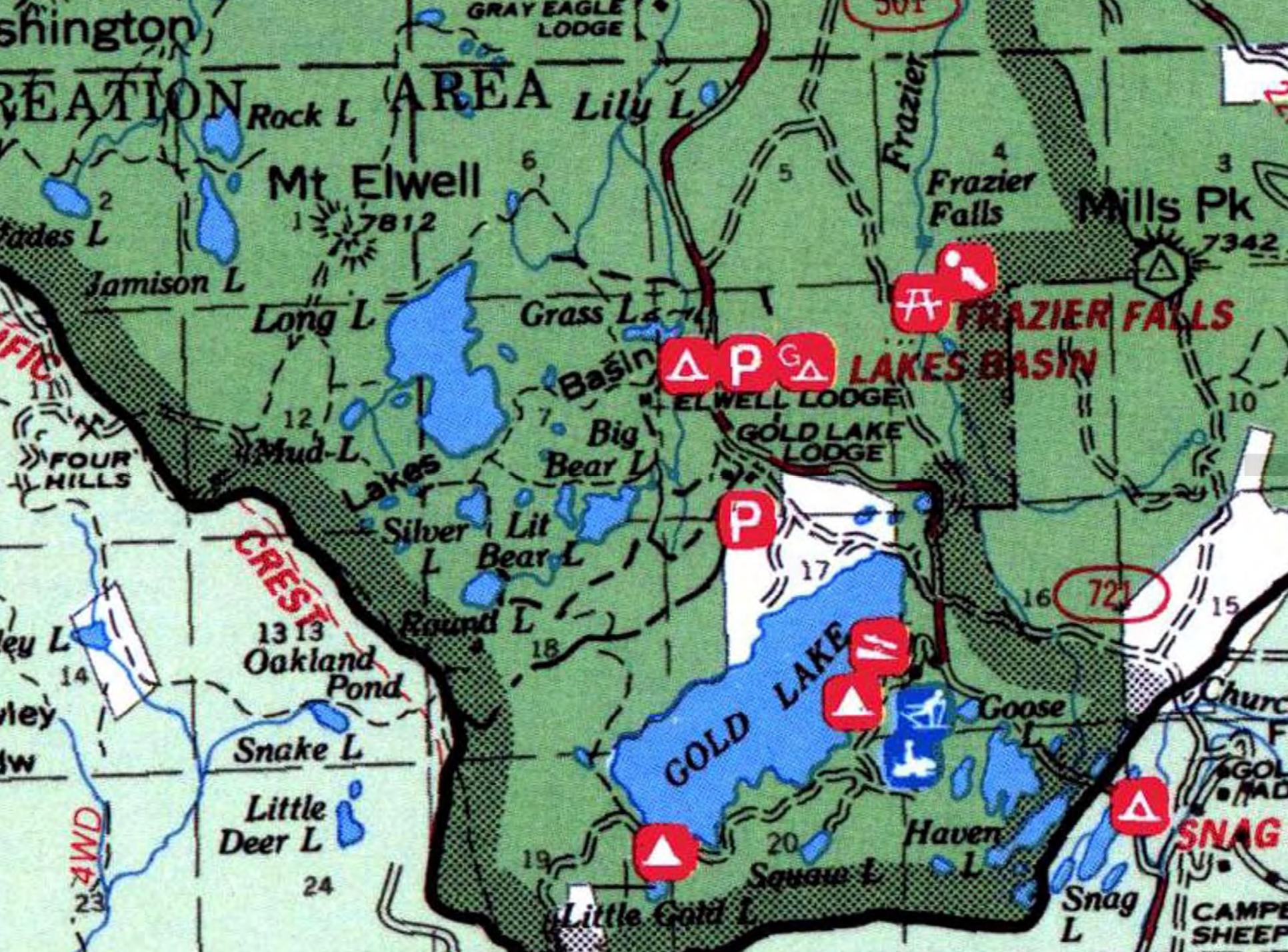
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Haven Lake Campground





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Oakland Pond

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GOLD LAKE

Goose L

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Gold Lake 4 X 4 Campground

- 16 campsites
- No potable water
- 3 wilderness style pit toilets
- Open Memorial Day through September 30
- Located in the Lakes Basin Recreation Area
- Accessed by 4-wheel drive vehicles, boats or walk-in
- OHV route access to ridge & connects to other routes
- Picnic tables, fire rings/grills
- 2 group bear lockers
- Garbage 1 mile from campground



4 x 4 campsite

Gold Lake Campground

- 37 campsites
- No potable water
- 3 vault toilets (3 additional portable toilets in summer)
- Open Memorial Day through September 30
- Located in the Lakes Basin Recreation Area
- Paved boat ramp and floating boat dock
- Garbage dumpster
- Some sites have picnic tables; all have a fire ring
- Adjacent to the Gold Lake Stables which offers outfitted and guided horseback rides



Gold Lake campsite



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Haven Lake Campground

- 4 campsites
- No potable water
- 1 portable toilet
- Open Memorial Day through September 30
- Located in the Lakes Basin Recreation Area
- Rustic camp setting
- Rock or metal fire ring
- Garbage can



Goose Lake CG

Goose Lake Campground

- 13 campsites (4 are walk-in)
- No potable water
- 1 vault toilet
- Open Memorial Day through September 30
- Located in the Lakes Basin Recreation Area
- Some picnic tables; all sites have a fire ring
- Rustic camp setting
- Garbage dumpster



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Gold Lake 4X 4 CG



Gold Lake CG



Campground Site	Proposed Fee/ Night	O & M	Deferred Maintenance
Gold Lake 4 X 4 CG	\$10	\$5,990	\$5,000
Gold Lake CG	\$10	\$20,000	\$75,000
Goose Lake CG	\$10	\$8,000	\$35,000
Haven Lake CG	\$5	\$3,000	\$25,000





Why do we need to add these new fees?

- To continue to provide for operation and maintenance costs.
- Keep the four campgrounds open to the public.
- Replace picnic tables and fire rings at Gold Lake 4 X 4 Campground.
- Purchase and install additional picnic tables and SST toilets at Gold Lake, Haven Lake, and Goose Lake Campgrounds.



Gold Lake CG



**US Forest Service - Region 5
Recreation Fee Proposals - New Fees
Summary of Public Involvement**

Plumas National Forest: Proposed New Fees

Includes public involvement efforts & comments as of April 20, 2009

Summary of New Fee Proposals:

Site/Service - Plumas NF	Current Price	Proposed Price
Gold Lake CG	None	\$10/night
Gold Lake 4 X 4 CG	None	\$10/night
Goose Lake CG	None	\$10/night
Haven Lake CG	None	\$5/night

Public Participation Activities:

Public Participation Tasks	Date(s)
Post notices of proposed new fees at CGs.	Summer of 2006, 2007, 2008
Published notice of new CG fees in Federal Register	December 12, 2008
Communicated via phone with 2 Sierra County Board of Supervisors and Planning Director	Week of January 19, 2009
Communicated via phone with 2 Plumas County Board of Supervisors	Weeks of January 19-26, 2009
Letter sent to all who previously commented on proposed CG fees letting them know Plumas was moving forward with fee proposal.	January 21, 2009
Communicated via phone with various OHV Volunteers	Week of January 26, 2009
Communicated via phone with permitted resort owners; Gold Lake, Elwell, & Gray Eagle Lodges	Week of January 26, 2009
Placed news release in local newspapers; Feather River Bulletin and Mountain Messenger for new CG fees	February 4, 2009 & February 5, 2009
Placed news release on forest web site	February 2, 2009
Communicated with Eastern Plumas Visitors Bureau & Plumas County Visitors Bureau	April 1, 2009
Communicated with CA Off Road Vehicle Association - Ed Waldheim	April 1, 2009
Communicated with Thousand Trails - Local concessionaire	April 1, 2009
Presentation to Sierra County Board of Supervisors	April 7, 2009
Notified Congressional Representatives offices for Herger and McClintock	April 10, 2009

Public Participation Results:

Method of Communication	Summary of Comments- as of 4/20/09
Posted On-site Notices @ CGs	<p>2006 - 2 phone calls & 1 letter received; Two people don't agree with fees and want campgrounds to stay rustic and unimproved, one understood.</p> <p>2007 - 1 phone call & 5 letters; Most don't agree with fees, again want campgrounds to stay rustic and unimproved, one hoped fees would be reasonable.</p> <p>2008 - 2 phone calls; Concerned about fees, one thought \$10 was reasonable, one asked about being a CG host.</p>
Federal Register Notices	None received
Newspaper Press Release - CGs	<p>One phone call asking for more information but no comment on fees. One letter "Don't mind paying extra one single bit - good idea!" and also mentioned "looking forward to new toilet at Gold Lake and hope roads to campsites can be fixed". One e-mail requesting that Plumas make accessible sites available.</p>
Forest's Web Site Press Release	None received
User Groups	<p>OHV Volunteers - Don't agree with fees, use appropriated funds to operate Gold Lake 4 X 4 campground. Agreed to free use for volunteers.</p> <p>CORVA - Asked for more information.</p>
Resort Owners	Good idea and very reasonable.
Visitor Bureaus	<p>Eastern Plumas - Good idea, especially since site will benefit directly.</p> <p>Plumas - Fees at these sites are appropriate and necessary. There is already enough free sites on the Plumas NF.</p>
Concessionaire	Operates a 24 unit CG in Lakes Basin area, these free campgrounds are in direct competition and thinks these new fees are very appropriate.
Elected Officials Briefing	<p>Sierra County Comments - Don't like idea of new fee but understand the need. Like that fees stay on site and think \$10 is reasonable.</p> <p>Plumas County Comments - Concerned about new fees but understand the need.</p>