

## Bear Proof Canister Rental

Since the year 2000, the King Range has been renting bear-proof food storage canisters to the public for \$5.00 per canister per trip. There is a BLM requirement that each person have such a canister for overnight use in the King Range backcountry and the rentals are offered as a service to the public. The type of canister used is the one from Garcia Manufacturing (<http://www.backpackerscache.com/>). Those canisters certified by the Sierra Nevada Wilderness Education Project are also allowed in the King Range (<http://www.sierrawildbear.gov/>).

This rental falls under REA as an Expanded Amenity Fee, Section 3, (g)(2)(C) "Rental of.....binoculars or other equipment." The fees collected for 2006 were \$2,875 and for 2007 the fees collected were \$3,340.

This item should have been included in the BLM *REA Approved Fee Sites* document prepared for the initial RRAC meeting, but was overlooked. It is being presented for consideration for the June meeting.

8.8" dia. X 12" long, weight 2.7 lbs.  
Designed to slip into camper's backpack;  
holds approximately 6 person-days of  
food.

