

Mount Tom Fire Lookout: The Mount Tom Fire Lookout was built by the CCCs in 1940. This point was not used much as a lookout or vantage point until the 18,000 acre Daulton Fire of 1939. The need for detection in the backcountry became evident. The road and construction of a 43 foot tower and cab was completed by the end of the 1940 fire season, and it has been staffed annually since then.

The Mount Tom Lookout is the only fire lookout on the Sierra National Forest to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. It is listed on the National Historic Lookout Register.

Mount Tom is staffed during the summer months. Any visitors should request access from the lookout person.

How to get there: From Highway 168 at Shaver Lake, take the highway to Huntington Lake and turn east onto the Kaiser Pass Road. Cross Kaiser Pass, and take Sample Meadow Road to Road 6S02, and follow it to the lookout access road (6S02A).