Camping
South Feather Water and Power operates two campgrounds on national forest lands at Sly Creek Reservoir, under special use permit with the Plumas National Forest. Strawberry Campground has 17 units, and Sly Creek Campground has 25 units. Both campgrounds have drinking water, rest rooms, and garbage service. Each camping unit has a table and fire ring. Trailers up to 22 feet can be accommodated, however no hookups are provided. Maximum stay is 14 days. Facilities at Sly Creek Reservoir are usually open from April 1 through October. Camping is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Sly Creek Campground is located near the dam and Mooreville Boat Launch Ramp, on the southwest side of the lake. Strawberry Campground is located on the Sly Creek arm of the lake, on the northeast side of the lake. Strawberry Campground is near the Strawberry Car Top Launch Facility.

Fishing
Hunting and fishing are regulated by the California Department of Fish and Game. Sly Creek Reservoir supports rainbow, German brown, and kokanee salmon.

Off-Road Vehicles
The use of off-road vehicles is restricted within the Sly Creek Recreation Area boundaries.

Drinking Water
Only water from developed recreation sites is maintained for safe drinking. Open water sources are easily contaminated by human or animal waste. Water from springs, lakes, and streams should be properly treated before drinking. One method of treatment is to boil water for five minutes or use approved filtration system.

Other Activities
Sly Creek Recreation Area provides opportunities for many more recreation experiences for visitors. A concrete boat launch ramp near the dam and Sly Creek Campground provides access to the water for fishing, water-skiing, or simply touring on boats. A car-top launch facility near Strawberry Campground provides water access for small fishing boats, canoes, and rafts. Visitors may also enjoy watching wildlife, driving or walking along scenic forest roads, or simply enjoying the peaceful surroundings of the forest.

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Legend:
- Campground
- Forest Service Guard Station
- Road
- Dirt/Gravel Road
- Recreation Area Boundary
- Launch Ramp
Note: Launch at Strawberry Arm is for cartop launching only

Lake Statistics
Elevation 3,550 feet
Surface Area 562 acres
Capacity 65,050 acre-feet
Dam Height 271 feet