



Day Use Areas

Eldorado National Forest



Crystal Basin Recreation Area

Placerville & Pacific Ranger Districts
4060 Eight Mile Road, Camino, CA 95709
(530) 644-2324

Angel Creek

Elevation - 5,300'. Day use fee. Located at Gerle Creek Reservoir, 1 mile before the Gerle Creek Campground. There are 4 picnic sites, water and grills. Vault toilet is fully accessible for wheelchairs.

Cleveland Corral

Elevation - 3,980'. Located on Ice House Road, 2 miles north of Highway 50. There is 1 picnic unit and flush toilets.

Fashoda Beach

Elevation – 5,200'. Day use fee. Located on Union Valley Reservoir at Fashoda Tent Campground on Ice House Road, 15 miles north of Highway 50. There are 5 picnic units with tables, drinking water, and grills. One unit is wheelchair accessible, see host. This facility has an excellent swimming beach. Fe

Gerle Creek

Elevation - 4,900'. Day use fee. Located on Gerle Creek Reservoir on Ice House Road, 30 miles north of Highway 50. It is 3 miles north of the Loon Lake junction. There are 4 picnic units, tables, grills, vault toilet, hiking trails, non-motorized boating, and a fishing platform for wheelchair access. Fishing opportunities.

Ice House

Elevation - 5,500'. Day use fee. Located near Ice House Campground, 11 miles north of Highway 50 on Ice House Road. 10 units, piped water, toilets, grills and paved central parking. Fishing opportunities.

Loon Lake

Elevation - 6,500'. Day use fee. Located near Loon Lake Campground on Loon Lake, 33 miles north of Highway 50 on Ice House Road. There are 5 picnic sites with tables and grills. Vault toilets are fully accessible for wheelchairs. Fishing, boating, and hiking opportunities.

Silver Creek Day Use

Elevation - 5,500'. Vault toilet, tables, grills. Ice House road to 11N37 to 11N52, Fishing and boating opportunities.

Wrights Lake

Elevation - 6,941'. Day use fee. Located 8 miles north of Highway 50 on Wrights lake Road. It is near the campground on the shore of Wrights Lake. There are 10 picnic units with tables and grills. This is a popular swimming site. Vault toilet is fully accessible. Fishing and hiking opportunities.

Highway 50 and South

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Bridal Veil

Elevation - 3,200'. Day use fee. Located 17 miles east of Placerville, just north of Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River. 30 units, grills and vault toilets. It is not wheelchair-accessible. It is a beautiful swimming and fishing area.

River Access Sites

Bull Creek

Elevation - 3,400'. Located on the south side of Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River, 24 miles east of Placerville. Fishing, wading.

Indian Springs

Elevation - 3,900'. Located on the south side of Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River 27 miles east of Placerville. Fishing, kayaking, and wading.

Alder Creek

Elevation - 3,518'. Located on the south side of Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River, 28 miles east of Placerville. Fishing, wading, and kayaking.

Eagle Rock

Elevation - 4,400'. Located on Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River, 1 1/2 miles east of Kyburz, 31 miles east of Placerville. Fishing, kayaking, and wading opportunities.

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Elevation - 5,700'. Located on Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River, 38 miles east of Placerville. Fishing and swimming opportunities.

Slippery Ford

Elevation - 6,200'. Located on the south side of Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River, 43 miles east of Placerville. Fishing, wading. Point of Interest - across walking bridge to Old Lincoln Highway.

Sayles Flat

Elevation - 6,400'. Located on the south side of Highway 50 on the South Fork of the American River, 45 miles east of Placerville. Fishing, wading.

China Flat

Elevation - 4,800'. Located along the Silver Fork of the American River. Turn south off of Highway 50 at Kyburz onto the Silver Fork Road. Go 3 miles to just pass the China Flat Campground. There is day use and a vault toilet across the bridge. Hiking, biking, swimming opportunities.

Highway 88 Area

Amador Ranger District

26820 Silver Drive, Pioneer, CA 95666
(209) 259-3774

Ferguson Point

Elevation - 7,200'. Located on the north shore of Silver Lake and provided by EID. It has 10 picnic units and primitive toilets. Boating and fishing opportunities nearby.

Leek Springs

Elevation - 7,600'. Take Mormon Emigrant Trail north from Highway 88. Go 2 miles to the Leek Springs Lookout Road. Turn left for 3 miles to the lookout. There are 2 picnic units and a vault toilet.

Oyster Creek Rest Area

Elevation - 7,200'. Located 1 mile northeast of Silver Lake on Highway 88. Site is provided by EID. There are 10 picnic units and a vault toilet.

Pipi

Elevation - 4,100'. Located at the entrance to Pi Pi Campground. There are 5 picnic units and piped water. The toilets are wheelchair-accessible.

Salt Springs

Elevation - 3,900'. Located 38 miles east of Jackson on Highway 88, 8.5 miles south on Forest Road 92 (Ellis Rd.), and 4 miles east on Forest Rd. 8N50 (Salt Springs Road), at Salt Springs Reservoir. There are 4 picnic units and a vault toilet. This is also a wilderness trailhead for the Mokelumne Wilderness.

Sandy Cove

Elevation - 7,200'. From Silver Lake Dam, go 0.2 mile south from Highway 88 on the east side of Kay's Road. EID facility. Wheelchair-access to water edge. There are 5 picnic units, drinking water, and a vault toilet. Canoeing, swimming, and fishing opportunities in the area.

Shot Rock Vista

Elevation - 7,500'. Located on Highway 88, 1 mile east of the intersection with Mormon Emigrant Trail. There are 3 picnic units and a vault toilet.

Tiger Creek Afterbay

Elevation - 2,400'. Eighteen miles east of Jackson on Highway 88, turn south at Buckhorn Lodge. Proceed on Tiger Creek Road 1.1 miles to a junction, take the lower road 1.4 miles to the picnic area. PG&E facility. There are 2 units and a primitive toilet. Hiking and fishing opportunities in the area.

Tragedy Springs

Elevation - 8,000'. Located on the old Alpine Highway off of Highway 88, 1/2 mile west of Plasses Road. There are 3 picnic units.

Woods Lake

Elevation - 8,200'. Recreational Use Fee. On the shore of Woods Lake and adjacent to the campground. There are 8 units, piped water and toilets. It is fully accessible for wheelchairs.

Georgetown Area

Georgetown Ranger District

7600 Wentworth Springs Road
Georgetown, CA 95634
(530) 333-4312

Bear Creek

Elevation - 3,200'. From Highway 193, turn north on Meadowbrook Road. Go 5 miles to Bear Creek Road, turn right to picnic area. From Wentworth Springs Road, turn south on Balderston Road (1/2 mile east of the Georgetown Ranger Station), go 1 mile, turn right on Darling Ridge Road, go 6 miles to the picnic area. There are 3 picnic units, grills and an accessible vault toilet.

Stumpy Meadows

Elevation - 4,262'. Located near the boat ramp at Stumpy Meadows Reservoir. There are 6 picnic units and a vault toilet. Two picnic tables are wheelchair accessible. There is a paved trail from the parking lot to the picnic area.