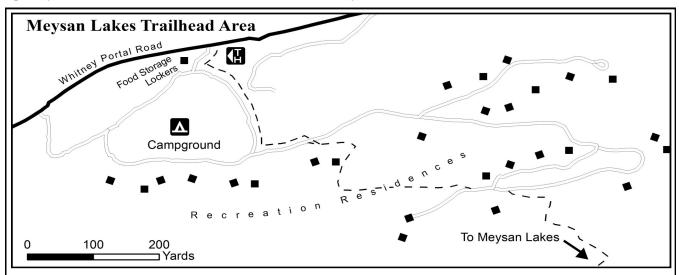




# Meysan Lakes Trail

The Meysan Lakes Trail enters the John Muir Wilderness and leads to an alpine basin which holds Meysan Lake. The trail also provides access to popular climbing routes on Lone Pine Peak. The distance to Meysan Lake is approximately 5.6 miles, and the elevation gain is 3,500 feet. The trail is steep, strenuous and infrequently maintained. It becomes difficult to locate near Meysan Lake.



#### Access:

From U.S. Highway 395 in Lone Pine, CA, turn west on Whitney Portal Road. The parking area is located approximately 12 miles west of Lone Pine.

To reach the trail from the parking area one must walk through Whitney Portal Campground and a residential area (see trailhead map).

#### Season:

The trail is relatively snow free from approximately June to October. For the rest of the year, snow may cover some or all of the trail.

#### **Trailhead Facilities:**

<u>Water:</u> Water is available in the campground May – September.

Bear Resistant Food Storage Lockers: Yes

<u>Campgrounds</u>: Whitney Portal Campground is adjacent to the trailhead.

#### On The Trail:

<u>Food Storage</u>: Bear-resistant containers are strongly

recommended. Food, trash and scented items must be stored in bear-resistant containers or counter-balanced 15 feet above the ground and 10 feet horizontally from a tree trunk.

<u>Camping</u>: Use existing campsites. Camping is prohibited within 25 feet of the trail, and within 100 feet of water.

<u>Human Waste</u>: Bury human waste 6"-8" deep in soil, at least 100 feet from campsites, trails, and water.

Campfires: Campfires are prohibited.

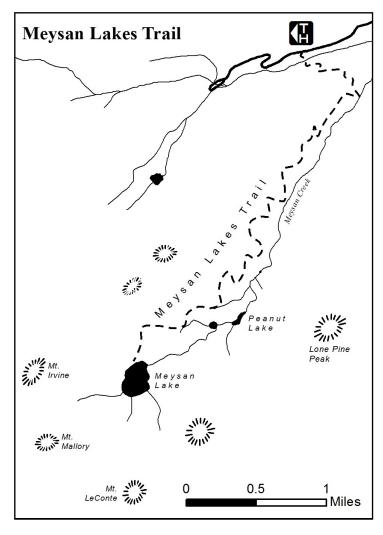
Pets: Pets must be under control at all times.

<u>Additional Regulations</u>: Information regulations is available at <u>www.fs.usda.gov/inyo</u>, or at Inyo National Forest visitor centers.

#### **Permit & Quota Information:**

Permits are required for overnight trips. Obtain permits at any Inyo National Forest ranger station or visitor center. Between May 1 and Nov 1 overnight use is limited to 10 people per day. Permits may be reserved up to 6 months in advance at <a href="https://www.recreation.gov">www.recreation.gov</a>.





## Maps:

Tom Harrison: Mt. Whitney Zone National Geographic: Mt. Whitney

USGS Quad: Mount Langley + Mt. Whitney



## **Leave No Trace Principles**

- 1. Plan ahead and prepare.
- 2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
- 3. Dispose of waste properly.
- 4. Minimize use and impact of fires.
- 5. Respect wildlife.
- 6. Leave what you find.
- 7. Be considerate of other visitors.

### **Meysan Lakes Trail**

Location	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation
Trailhead	0 miles	8,000 ft
Grass & Peanut Lakes	4.0 miles	10,900 ft
Meysan Lake	5.6 miles	11,500 ft

## **Need more information?**

www.fs.usda.gov/goto/inyo/meysantrail 760-876-6200

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