California Hot Springs Area Campgrounds

Sequoia National Forest Western Divide Ranger District





The Western Divide Ranger District is located in the southern Sierra Nevada Mountains. The District offers varied environments and activities and is along the scenic Western Divide Highway. Elevations range from 3,000' - 9,000 feet. Vegetation includes annual grassland, oakwoodlands, brush fields, mixed conifer forest, riverside willow-cottonwood, and giant sequoia groves.

Reservations and Fees

If fees are charged, instructions for fee payment are posted near the campground entrance. Fees are to be paid within 1/2 hour after entering the campground. Reservations for campsites in most developed campgrounds can be made by calling Recreation.gov toll free at 1-877-444-6777, or on the Internet as follows: www.recreation.gov. Reservation fees are charged. Some campsites are available on a "first-come first-served" basis. Camping is limited to 14 days in any 30-day period on the Forest.

Rivers and Creeks: WARNING - entering rivers is dangerous; watch out for treacherous currents and slippery rocks.

Pets:

Pets are welcome in developed recreation areas, pets must be under control and on a leash no longer than 6 feet. Please be courteous and dispose properly of your pet's waste.

Dispersed Camping Areas:

Many undeveloped areas are suitable for camping with a self-contained vehicle, or by people who just want to get away and "rough it" or dry camp.

Campfire permits are required. Please check for local fire restrictions for your desired location.

Visitors must take their trash, including toilet paper, out with them. RV users must use the dump stations at approved disposal sites off the Forest.

Please check in at the Ranger Station for directions to dispersed camping areas.

Drinking Water:

Piped water at campgrounds is safe to drink and checked regularly. Visitors should not drink spring or stream water without proper treatment. To be safe, boil or filter all water from rivers and streams before drinking.

Practice a Leave No Trace! Ethic.

When you leave your campsite,
Take all garbage, large and small.
PACK IT IN!
PACK IT OUT!

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Campfire Permits

You may want a campfire for cooking, enjoying its warmth, and roasting marshmallows.

For campfires, stoves, lanterns or barbeques used outside a campground or recreational vehicle and some developed campgrounds, you need a campfire permit.

The permit is free, valid for a full year from January 1 to December 31, and may be obtained in person from Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, CAL FIRE offices, or online at https://www.readyforwildfire.org/prevent-wildfire/campfire-safety/

Your responsibilities for building and putting out your fire safely are explained on the campfire permit. 36 CFR 261.52(k) PRC 4433.

Be aware that as fire danger becomes greater, campfires may be prohibited. Please check to find out if there are fire restrictions in the area where you intend to camp.

You are welcome to gather dead and down wood to use for your campfire, but not to take home unless you obtain a fuelwood permit.

Thank you for your help in making forest visits enjoyable and safe! Plan ahead by obtaining a National Forest map at one of the following offices:

Western Divide Ranger District 32588 Hwy 190 Springville, CA 93265 559-539-2607

Forest Supervisor's Office 220 E Morton Ave Porterville, CA 93257 559-784-1500





DEVELOPED CAMPGROUNDS:

LEAVIS FLAT: In California Hot Springs, 35 miles SE of Porterville via J-22. Paved and dirt roads; suitable for RV's 16' long; 9 family units; toilets; **No Water**, elevation 3,100 feet. Fishing in season. Campground open year around. Supplies at Hot Springs Resort. Reservations available.

WHITE RIVER: 3 miles SE of California Hot Springs along White River Road 23S05. Suitable for RV's 16' long; paved and dirt road; 12 family units; toilets; water; elevation 4,000 feet. Open May to October. Fishing in season. Supplies at Pine Flat or Hot Springs. Reservations available.

REDWOOD MEADOW: 58 miles SE of Porterville via Hwy 190 and Western Divide Highway. Suitable for RV's 16' long; 15 family units; toilets; water; elevation 6,500 feet; open May to October; supplies at Ponderosa Lodge and R-Ranch; campground adjacent to the Trail of 100 Giants. Reservations available.

LONG MEADOW: 57 miles SE of Porterville via State Hwy 190 and Western Divide Highway. Group site for 36 people. Suitable for 16' long RV's; elevation 6,500 feet; toilet; **No water**; open May to November; supplies at Ponderosa Lodge and R-Ranch. By reservation only.

HOLEY MEADOW: 60 miles SE of Porterville. Suitable for RV's 16' long; paved and narrow dirt road; toilet; *No water;* elevation 6,400 feet. Open May to October. Supplies available at Ponderosa Lodge and R-Ranch. Group site for 60 people. By reservation only.

LOWER PEPPERMINT: 10 miles N of Johnsondale on Peppermint Creek via Lloyd Meadow Road (22S82). Paved road; 17 family units; toilets; water; elevation 5,300 feet. Open May to October.

Fishing in season. Not suitable for trailers. Supplies at Ponderosa Lodge and R-Ranch. No reservations available, FEE DEMO campground. Your fee dollars are used for improvements.

SELF SERVE CAMPING AREAS:

Self Serve camping areas are located at Panorama and Frog Meadow. At a self serve campground, you are welcome to use the campground, but no cleanup is provided. Please take your trash home and help keep the campground clean.

FROG MEADOW: 26 miles NE of Glenville via State Hwy 155 and Forest Roads 24S15, 23S16 and 24S50. Paved and narrow dirt roads; unsuitable for trailers and motor homes; 10 family units; toilets; *No water*, elevation 7,500 feet. Selfservice (pack it in, pack it out). Open June to October. Supplies at Glennville. No fees required.

PANORAMA: 25 miles NE of Glenville via State Hwy 155 and Forest roads 24S15 and 23S16. Paved and narrow dirt roads; unsuitable for trailers and motor homes. *No water*. Self-service (pack it in, pack it out). Open June to October, weather permitting. Supplies at Glenville. No fees required.