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Wilderness Area	Kaiser Wilderness
Trailhead Name	Billy Creek
Trailhead Number	K5
Common Destinations	Kaiser Loop trail, Nellie Lake, Mary’s Meadow trail
Trailhead Elevation	7,200’
GPS, Lat/Long	37° 14' 16.33" / -119° 13' 33.64"
Location	From Clovis: Take Highway 168 toward Huntington Lake. At the Eastwood visitor center travel west on Huntington Lake Road. Continue around Huntington Lake 3.2 miles to Upper Billy Creek Campground . The trailhead is 0.5 mile behind the campground. Follow signs towards the overflow camping.
Road Surface	Paved, dirt road in campground
Topographic Map	Kaiser Peak, Huntington Lake
Season	June through October (snow conditions permitting)
Quota	Daily Advance Reservations: 18 Daily “Walk-Ups”: 12
Trailhead Facilities	Day use and overnight parking
Nearby Campgrounds	Upper Billy Creek Campground
Permits	Yes. Permits are required for overnight camping in wilderness areas.
Reservations	Yes. Wilderness permit reservations are available at www.recreation.gov . Trailhead quotas are in place year-round. For all trails, 60 percent of the trailhead quota is available through advanced reservation 6 months prior to entry date and 40 percent is available 2 weeks prior to entry date, for first come-first served. There is a \$6.00 non-refundable reservation fee and a \$5.00 per person charge for everyone included in the reservation.
Pack Station and Dunnage	D & F Pack Station Summer Tel: 559-893-3220 Winter Tel: 559-288-3527 www.dfpackstation.co/ To book a trip and get a wilderness permit for a pack stock supported trip.
Wilderness Grazing	Pack stock grazing is permitted in most wilderness areas as weather and seasonal conditions permit. For the latest grazing regulations please contact the High Sierra Ranger Station in Prather at 559-855-5355
Campfire Regulations	No fires permitted above 10,000 feet. The wilderness permit includes the campfire permit. An innovative method for building a Leave No Trace fire is to pack a portable fire pan (a simple metal tray with rigid sides at least three inches high). Metal oil drain pans and pans from backyard barbecue grills are effective and inexpensive fire pans. Fire pans may also be purchased at outdoor sporting goods stores. A campfire permit is required for overnight camping at the trailhead.

Food Storage	<p>This is bear country. It is important to use the most effective food storage methods to protect yourself and your food/refuse from unnecessary bear encounters. Two proven methods acceptable in the Sierra Nevada Wilderness Areas include the use of an approved bear canister or the counter balance methods. To learn more about protecting your food sources and bear activity in the Sierra Nevada visit http://sierrawild.gov/bears/overview. To locate trailheads with food storage lockers please visit: www.climber.org/data/BearBoxes/map.html</p>
Pets	<p>Domestic pets are allowed in the Kaiser Wilderness Area. Wilderness Visitors are responsible for their pet's actions and welfare. Pets should be leashed and under direct voice control. When camping or hiking in areas with other visitors, pets must be kept on a leash.</p>
	<p>Pack it in – Pack it out</p>
Additional Information	<p>When visiting a wilderness area, remember to leave an itinerary of your trip with a close family member or friend. For information on trailhead conditions, please contact the High Sierra Ranger Station: 559-855-5355</p>
Leave No Trace	<p>Want to learn more about minimizing your impacts on the wilderness. Visit the Leave No Trace website at www.lnt.org</p>