



Accessibility Guide

Lassen Volcanic National Park is a scenic and wondrous place to visit, with bubbling mudpots, wildflower-carpeted meadows, and jagged volcanic peaks. Lassen strives for full and equal participation for all visitors. By using principles of universal design, Lassen is committed to providing an ever-increasing level of accessibility. From designing and building new facilities to rehabilitating older buildings, accessibility has become a key component of all projects.

Learning about Lassen

Ranger-led Interpretation Programs

See the park newspaper for a complete list of ranger-led activities such as evening programs and guided hikes. Park rangers will gladly accommodate for accessibility when possible. The Kohm Yah-mah-nee and Manzanita Lake amphitheatres are wheelchair accessible.

Park Publications

Park publications are available at the Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitor Center and Loomis Museum

(summer only). Park information may also be downloaded from the park website (www.nps.gov/lavo), and the font size increased to improve readability for those needing large-print materials.

Park Film

The 20-minute park film *The Story Behind the Landscape* is captioned and audio described. The film is viewable at the Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitor Center and Loomis Museum (summer only). Ask the information desk for listening devices.

Facilities

Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitor Center

The visitor center has an exhibit hall, information desk, auditorium, amphitheater, café, gift shop, and bookstore. The visitor center is fully accessible with tactile exhibits including a relief map of the park and models of the four types of volcanoes. Audio description of the exhibits is available; inquire at the information desk. Accessible parking spaces are located near the entrance of the visitor center, and near the Southwest campground.

Loomis Museum

The Loomis Museum has an information desk, bookstore, and history exhibits. An auditorium inside the visitor center shows the 20-minute park film – read more about the park film above. A wheelchair accessible entrance is located on the west side of the building. Accessible restrooms are located outside the museum in the Loomis Plaza.

Discovery Center

The Discovery Center at Manzanita Lake is located across the street from the Loomis Museum. The center is geared towards children and their families and is open at select times each summer. Check the park newspaper for operating hours. The center offers nature exhibits and interactive, tactile displays on Lassen's natural history. A wheelchair accessible entrance is located at the east entrance, and an accessible restroom is located inside.

Picnic Areas

Lassen has several picnic areas in which to enjoy an afternoon in the park. Manzanita Lake, Lake Helen, Devastated Area, and Kings Creek picnic areas offer level sites, accessible restrooms, and accessible parking.



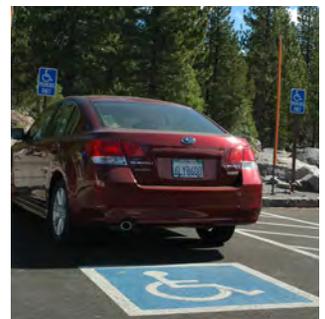
Interactive trip planning display



Tactile volcano model exhibit



Sulphur Works accessible restroom



Accessible parking



An assisted mobility impaired visitor explores Manzanita Lake



A young girl releases a yellow warbler at a bird banding demonstration

Park Features

Sulphur Works

Near the center of the ancient Brokeoff Volcano lies Sulphur Works, the most accessible hydrothermal area in the park. Plopping mudpots and smoking steam vents can be seen roadside. A paved sidewalk connects the parking area to the features; this path requires assisted mobility. Interpretive exhibits tell the story of this constantly changing area. Accessible parking and vault toilets are available in the parking area.

Geologic Walk Through Time

Outside the Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitor Center, a short paved accessible path features displays with audio descriptions that take visitors through the park's geologic timeline. Ask the visitor center desk for listening devices.

Devastated Area

A half-mile (.08 km) hard surface loop trail offers spectacular views of Lassen Peak and

its 1915 mud flow. Interpretive exhibits with motion activated audio description highlight the eruption of Lassen Peak. Accessible parking spaces and vault toilets are available at the trailhead.

Manzanita Lake

This popular summer destination offers excellent bird watching, swimming, boating, and picnicking opportunities. Paths at Manzanita Lake have a dirt surface. None are designated as accessible; however many visitors find it possible to access a portion of the south side of the 1.8 mile (2.9 km) lake loop trail via the boat launch area.

Auto Touring

Many of Lassen's fantastic sites can be seen from park roads. The *Road Guide to Lassen Volcanic National Park* and other information is available at the Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitor Center and at the Loomis Museum (summer only).

Lodging and Camping

Campsites

Three campgrounds in Lassen offer accessible campsites suitable for wheelchairs. Accessible campsites include Manzanita Lake A32 and B9, Butte Lake A6, and Summit Lake A1. All mentioned sites are located near accessible restrooms. Campsites may be reserved by calling the park fee office at (530) 595-6121. Visitors with access passes receive a 50 percent discount on camping in Lassen.

Manzanita Camping Cabins

Adjacent to Manzanita Campground, the camping cabins are within walking distance of Manzanita Lake. Cabins 1, 8, 14, and 18 are accessible. Each cabin includes a bed, propane heater, lantern, bear box, fire ring, access ramp, stairs with handrails and an extended picnic table. Camping cabin reservations are available late May through early October at www.recreation.gov or by phoning 877-444-6777 or TTY 877-883-6777.

Service Animals

At Lassen, service animals are allowed in all facilities and on all trails, with the exception of areas closed by the superintendent to protect park

resources. Service animals must always be leashed and pet waste must be disposed of in a trash bin. The park does not provide waste bags.

Access Pass

U.S. citizens and permanent residents with a permanent physical, mental, or sensory impairment that severely limits one or more major life activities are eligible for the free lifetime interagency access pass. The access pass provides a 50 percent discount on some expanded amenity fees charged for facilities and services

such as camping, swimming, boat launch, and specialized interpretive services. In some areas where expanded amenity fees are charged, only the pass holder will be given the 50 percent price reduction. The access pass can be obtained in person or through the mail. Obtain an application at www.store.usgs.gov/pass.

Questions or Suggestions

To ask questions or make suggestions about accessibility in Lassen, contact the

Superintendent, Lassen Volcanic National Park, P.O. Box 100, Mineral, CA 96063.



Geologic walk through time



Manzanita Lake accessible campsite



Manzanita Lake camping cabin



Sulphur Works interpretive displays