



## 2010 STOCK USE AND GRAZING REGULATIONS

These area-specific regulations supplement the minimum impact regulations and guidelines. In the regulations stock use refers to travel and camping with stock (horses, mules, burros, or llamas) and grazing in designated forage areas. Areas closed to grazing are open to stock travel and camping with stock provided they remain confined on a hardened surface and are given substitute feeds. Areas closed to stock are closed to all stock access. Areas open to day rides and pass-through travel only are open to stock travel, but animals may not graze or stay overnight. Maximum party size is 20 head of stock, 15 people unless otherwise stated. Stock are restricted to within 1/2 mile of maintained trails unless in designated off-trail areas. If any of your stock dies in the wilderness, notify a ranger as soon as possible for help in properly disposing of the animal. **Dead stock must be removed at least 300 feet from trails, campsites, and water within 72 hours of death.** Carry a rake to fill in pawed-up areas and scatter all manure piles when you leave camp. Remove all manure from within 100 feet of the campsite to reduce odors and insect problems, and to maintain the appearance of the site. Tie to trees only when packing or unpacking stock. **Never tie to trees smaller than 6" in diameter (at breast height).**

Enjoy your visit to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks!

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### Kings Canyon National Park

#### South Fork San Joaquin River

Upper Goddard Canyon	Day rides only from one mile above Hell-for-Sure Trail Junction to Martha Lake
Hell-for-Sure Pass	Unmaintained trail open to stock use
McClure Meadow*	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u>
Darwin Meadow*	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u> in Darwin Meadow proper. Stock users are required to use the "pocket meadows" in the forested area to the north and west of Darwin Meadow
Lake 11,106	Day rides only
Darwin Bench & Canyon	<u>Closed to stock</u>
Evolution Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules from Evolution Lake to Muir Pass; 1 night grazing for walking groups with burros or llamas
Mc Gee Canyon	Unmaintained trail below 10,400' open to stock use; <u>closed to stock</u> above 10,400'

#### Middle Fork Kings River Drainage

Blue Canyon area	Unmaintained trail below 10,000' open to stock use; <u>closed to stock</u> above 10,000'
Goddard Creek Meadows	<u>Closed to grazing</u> from 10,200' to 10,400'
Big Pete Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by commercial stock (unless given written permission from superintendent).
Dusy Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> from lower lip of Basin to Bishop Pass, including Rainbow Lakes; special food storage requirements in effect Memorial Day weekend to October 31

#### Monarch Divide

Kennedy Canyon	Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use
Dougherty/Horseshoe Creeks	Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except:
Shorty's Meadow	2 night grazing limit
Granite Basin	Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except:
Granite Lake	<u>Closed to grazing</u>
Grouse Lake	Unmaintained trail open to stock use
Hotel Creek	Traditional off-trail routes and forage areas open to stock use

#### Woods Creek Drainage

Paradise Valley	<u>Closed to grazing</u> up to the Lower Castle Domes drift fence
Castle Domes Meadow	15 head per party maximum; 1 night grazing limit
Woods Creek Crossing	2 meadows on south side of Woods Creek below camp area <u>closed to grazing</u>
Woods Lake Meadows/Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> around Woods Lake shore; trail to Sawmill Pass open to stock use
Baxter Creek Drainage	Day rides and pass-through travel only from John Muir Trail to Baxter Pass
Sixty Lakes Basin*	Day use only; stock travel restricted to established trail to a point approximately 2 miles from the junction of the John Muir Trail with the Sixty Lakes Trail
Rae Lakes Basin*	Entire Basin <u>closed to grazing</u> , including Dragon Lake meadow; special food storage requirements in effect Memorial Day weekend through October 31

#### Bubbs Creek Drainage

Lower Bubbs Creek & Charlotte Creek Confluence	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules below the lower Junction Meadow drift fence; 1 night grazing for walking parties with burros or llamas
Sphinx Lakes	Unmaintained trail open to stock use
Junction Meadow (Bubbs)*	15 head per party maximum; 1 night grazing limit. Due to flooding, the lower portion of the meadow is <u>closed to grazing</u> . Grazing of the upper meadow is limited to private stock and 50 nights for the Cedar Grove Pack Station only.
East Lake	1 night grazing limit; closed to grazing below the drift fence
Lake Reflection	<u>Closed to stock</u>
Vidette Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u>
Upper Vidette Meadow*	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u> ;
Vidette Lakes	<u>Closed to stock</u>
Center Basin	<u>Day rides only</u> above the John Muir Trail
Kearsarge/Bullfrog Lakes	<u>Closed to grazing</u> ; low trail through basin closed to stock except spot trips to Kearsarge Lakes from the upper trail junction
Charlotte Lake Meadows	Meadows immediately above and below Charlotte Lake <u>closed to grazing</u>
Charlotte Creek Meadow	2 night grazing limit below the drift fence west of (below) Charlotte Lake

#### Roaring River Drainage

Roaring River Drainage	Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except for the following:
Roaring River Ranger Station	<u>Closed to public grazing</u> on the west side of Roaring River from the Ranger Station down to the drift fence
Scaffold Meadow-JR Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public use
Scaffold Meadow-Tourist Pasture	15 head per party maximum; 2 night grazing limit, including nights in Lackey Pasture
Lackey Pasture*	3 head per party maximum; 2 night grazing limit
Cement Table Meadow	15 head per party maximum; 3 night grazing limit
Grave Meadow	15 head per party maximum; 3 night grazing limit
Ellis Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u>
Tom Sears Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u>
Seville Lake	<u>Closed to grazing</u>

\*Meadows with an asterisk (\*) are temporarily closed to grazing or otherwise restricted for the 2010 season to allow for restoration

# Sequoia National Park

## Middle and Marble Forks, Kaweah River Drainage

Lakes Trail	Trail to Heather, Emerald, and Pear Lakes open for <u>day rides only</u>
Frontcountry Trails	Wolverton Cutoff, Alta, Panther Gap, and Seven Mile Trails open for day rides and <u>pass-through travel only</u> ; High Sierra Trail <u>closed to stock</u> from Crescent Meadow to Wolverton Cutoff
Giant Forest/Lodgepole	All meadows within 5 miles of Giant Forest Museum (includes Crescent, Cahoon, Willow, and Halstead meadows) <u>closed to grazing</u> ; <u>All paved trails closed to stock</u>
Redwood Meadow*	Lower (northern) section only open to private and commercial use, 2 night limit; Upper (southern) section temporarily closed to grazing
Granite Creek	Unmaintained trail from Redwood Meadow to upper Granite Creek open to stock use, probably impassible
Hamilton Lakes	<u>Closed to grazing</u>
Redwood Canyon	<u>Closed to grazing</u> (Kings Canyon National Park)

## Mineral King Area, East & South Fork Kaweah River Drainage

Mineral King Valley & Lake Basins	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules; 1 night grazing for walking parties with burros or llamas
Sawtooth Pass	<u>Closed to stock</u> from Monarch Lake to switchbacks below Columbine Lake
South Fork Kaweah River	Open to unrestricted off-trail use
Hockett Plateau	Open to unrestricted stock use except the following four areas:
Hockett Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public stock use
Mitchell Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u>
South Fork Meadow*	Limited to 75 nights in 2010
Summit Lake Meadow*	Limited to 100 nights in 2010

## West Kern Plateau

### (Chagoopa, Funston, Big Arroyo, Rattlesnake, Laurel and Coyote Creeks)

West Kern Plateau	Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except for the following three areas:
Big & Little Five Lakes	<u>Closed to off-trail stock use</u> ; open to stock use within 1/2 mile of maintained trails
Little Five Lakes	Stringer Meadow southeast of ranger station <u>closed to grazing</u>
Forester Lake Meadow*	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u>

## Kern River Canyon

Junction Meadow (Kern)	15 head per party maximum; 1 night grazing limit
Kern Hot Springs	Small meadow immediately adjacent to hot springs <u>closed to stock</u>
Lower Kern River Canyon	Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use below Kern Hot Springs except
Upper Funston Meadow	2 night grazing limit; camp in designated sites if available. Special regulations in place to prevent the spread of Velvet grass. Ask for details when you pick up your wilderness permit
Lower Funston Meadow*	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u>
Lewis Camp Large Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public stock use
Kern Station Small Pasture	Administrative pasture closed to public stock use

## Upper Kern River

### (Kern-Kaweah, Upper Kern, Tyndall, Wright and Wallace Creeks)

Milestone Basin	Special permit required; Permit requires: 1 party at a time; 8 head, 2 night grazing limit; grazing permitted only north of Milestone Creek No stock travel above 10,800'. Contact Wilderness Office for details
Lake South America Col Meadow	Small lake south of Lake South America and large meadow farther south along trail <u>closed to grazing</u>
John Dean Cutoff	Unmaintained trail from Tyndall Creek Ranger Station to Kern Canyon open to stock use
Shepherd Pass	<u>Day rides and pass-through travel only</u> within 1 mile of Shepherd Pass
Wright Creek Drainage	Unmaintained route below 11,200' open to stock use; <u>day rides only</u> above 11,200'
Wright Creek Closed Meadow	Side drainage in east-central Wright Lakes Basin <u>closed to grazing</u>
Wright to Wallace Creeks	Unmaintained route between Wright and Wallace Creek drainages open for <u>day use and pass-through travel only</u>
Wallace Creek Drainage	Unmaintained trail below 11,200' open to stock use; <u>day rides only</u> above 11,200'
Wallace Creek Waterfall Meadow	6 head per party maximum; 1 night grazing limit
Wallace Creek Closed Meadow	Meadow 1 mile above Waterfall Meadow and 1/2 mile below Wallace Lake (at 11,140') <u>closed to grazing</u>
Kern Canyon Overlooks	Open for day rides on unmaintained side routes

## Whitney Creek

Mt. Whitney Trail	Open for day rides only from Timberline Lake to one mile above Guitar Lake
Guitar Lake	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules; 1 night grazing for walking parties with burros or llamas
Timberline Lake	<u>Closed to grazing and camping</u>
Crabtree Ranger Station Stringer	Meadow along Whitney Creek adjacent to the ranger station <u>closed to grazing</u>
Crabtree Meadows*	Upper Crabtree Meadow is temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u> in 2010; Lower Crabtree Meadow is open, but limited to 47 nights in 2010.
Crabtree Lakes	<u>Closed to stock</u> above hitchrail located 1/2 mile below lower lake
Lower Whitney Creek Meadow	Open for commercial and private grazing; consider using Sandy Meadow to aid further recovery
Kern Canyon Overlooks	<u>Open for day rides</u> on unmaintained side trails

## Rock Creek

Lower Rock Creek	Unmaintained trail below Lower Rock Creek Crossing open to stock use
Guyot Creek and Meadow	Large meadow southwest of JMT crossing of Guyot Creek at 10,400' <u>closed to grazing</u>
Forgotten Cyn to Funston Lake	Unmaintained trail open to stock use
Rock Creek Ranger Station Meadow	Wet meadow between ranger station and Pacific Crest Trail <u>closed to grazing</u>
Siberian Outpost	Unmaintained trail from Siberian Outpost to Boreal Plateau and Rocky Lakes Basin open to stock use
Upper Rock Creek	2 night grazing limit for all of the Upper Rock area, Nathan's Meadow and above
Rock Creek Meadow #2	Small meadow immediately above drift fence <u>closed to grazing</u>
Rock Creek Stringer & Lower	2 night grazing limit for all of the Upper Rock Creek area, Nathan's Meadow and above
Rock Creek Lake Meadow	
Miter Basin	Unmaintained trail from Lower Rock Creek Lake to Primrose Lake outlet stream open to stock use; <u>day rides only</u> above Primrose Lake outlet stream
Upper Soldier Lake	2 meadows above Upper Soldier Lake are <u>closed to stock</u>

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