



2011 STOCK USE AND GRAZING RESTRICTIONS

These area-specific regulations supplement the minimum impact restrictions and guidelines. In the restrictions "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 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).**

Sequoia National Park

Middle and Marble Forks, Kaweah River Drainage

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| 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 pass-through <u>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 open to administrative use only; 100 stock night limit |
| 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

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| Mineral King Vly & Lake Basins | Unmaintained trail below 10,000' open to stock use; <u>closed to stock</u> above 10,000' |
| 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 Pature | administrative pasture closed to public stock use |
| Mitchell Meadow | <u>Closed to grazing</u> |
| South Fork Meadow* | Limited to 75 stock nights in 2010 |
| Summit Lake Pasture* | Limited to 100 stock nights in 2010 |
| Summit Lake Meadow* | Closed to grazing |

West Kern Plateau

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

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| West Kern Plateau | Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except for the following areas: |
| Big & Little Five Lakes | Closed to off-trail stock use; 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

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| 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)

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| 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 S. America Col Mdw | 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 Mdw | Side drainage in east-central Wright Lakes Basin <u>closed to grazing</u> |
| Wallace Creek | Unmaintained route below 11,200' open to stock use; <u>day rides only</u> above 11,200' |
| Wallace Creek Waterfall | This meadow is open to grazing with a 6-head, 1-night limit. |
| Upper Crabtree Meadow | This meadow is temporarily closed to grazing in 2011. |
| Lower Crabtree Meadow | This meadow is open for grazing in 2011, with use limited to 47 grazing nights. |
| Upper Rock Creek Area | There is a two-night grazing limit for all of the upper Rock Creek area, Nathan's Meadow and above. |
| Lower Rock Creek Lake | |
| & Stringer Meadows | These meadows are temporarily closed to grazing in 2011. |
| Nathan's Meadow | Due to past dry conditions, grazing will be limited to 75 nights in 2011. |

Roaring River Drainage

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| Roaring River Drainage | Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except for the following: |
| Roaring River Ranger Station | Closed to public grazing 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
Also See 2011 Stock Use And Grazing Regulations for Kings Canyon National Park

Have a great trip!

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks

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