

# Welcome to Tuweep

The ancestral home of the Southern Paiute people, "Tuweep" refers to the broad volcanic valley and surrounding park lands. Today, the area is managed for an uncrowded, rustic, wilderness experience.

Toroweap Overlook offers a dramatic view of the Colorado River with a sheer drop of 3,000 vertical feet (915 m). Getting there is challenging, and requires skill at negotiating high-clearance dirt roads.



# **Advance Permit Required**

- 1. Day Permit or Backcountry Permit,
- 2. Park Pass,
- 3. Photo ID & Highway License Plate.

# **Plan Ahead**

# **Traveling**



Travel with no more than 4 total vehicles and 11 people.



Highway license plate and insurance required.



Maximum total length end-to-end is 22 feet (6.7 m).



Noise limit = normal conversation; 60 dBA at 50 feet (15.2 m).



Driving muddy roads prohibited.



Travel under 30 mph (50 kph) and reduce tire pressure to avoid flat tires; tow service, if available, \$1,000+.



Pets (leashed), bikes, and vehicles restricted to roads.



No drones, paragliders, or wingsuits.

### **Preparedness**



Be prepared! No gas, water, food, lodging, WiFi, or cell service.



Have adequate fuel and repair items like tire plugs and bike pump.



Day use: gate open sunrise to 30 minutes past sunset; arrive 1 hour prior to sunset.



Overnight use: obtain advance <u>Backcountry Permit;</u> arrive by sunset.



Fires and charcoal prohibited; fossil fuels allowed.



Most <u>filming</u> requires advance permit.



Photography requires advance permit if uses props or impacts resources.



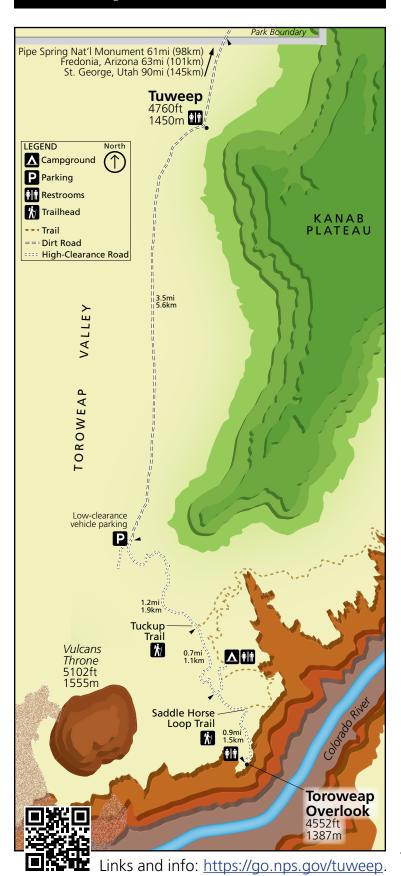
No hunting or collecting.



Pack out all trash.



# **Tuweep Area and Interests**



#### **Check the Weather**

Tuweep, AZ forecast



Summer: Monsoon season (July–September), complete travel before midday storms. Isolated flooding occurs with forecasted precipitation as low as 10%.



Winter: In muddy conditions, travel on frozen roads (nightly temps forecasted 20°F / -7°C). Sun thaws roads by 9 am.

#### **Directions**

Allow 3+ hours driving time one way on dirt roads. GPS navigation to remote locations can be unreliable.



Sunshine Route (County 109, 5, and 115) Leaves AZ 389 8 mi (13 km) west of Fredonia, AZ, or 6 mi (10 km) east of Pipe Spring National Monument. This 61 mi (98 km) road features sharp rocks, washboarding, and dust. Do not stop on tribal land.

Main St Route (BLM 1069, County 5 and 115) Leaves St. George, UT. It is 90 mi (145 km) to Tuweep. Impassable in winter due to snow/mud.

Clayhole Route (County 5 and 115) Leaves AZ 389 at Colorado City, AZ. It is 56 mi (90 km) to Tuweep. Impassable when wet.

## Hiking

Walk only on roads, sandstone, and trails.



#### Saddle Horse Loop Trail

This 45-minute loop is reached from along the road between the overlook and campground or from a trailhead near campsite 5.

## **Tuckup Trail**

Get to the Tuckup Trailhead north of Tuweep Campground or from campsite 10. Follow the Esplanade slickrock for 3 mi (5 km) to Cove Canyon.

## **Tuweep Campground**

<u>Backcountry Permit</u> required. There are nine campsites for 1 to 6 people with a maximum of 2 vehicles, including motorcycles, and one group campsite for 7 to 11 people with a maximum of

4 vehicles, including motorcycles.

