



Saddle and Pack Stock



Horses and other stock have been historically and traditionally used in the park and parkway. “Stock” is defined as horses, burros, mules, ponies and llamas. Stock users share trails with hikers—please be considerate of other trail users

Many trails are rocky and traverse steep terrain. High country trails are blocked by snow and impassable to stock until as late as mid-July. Trails may be closed, check with the park permits office (307-739-3309) prior to setting out. Many horse travelers camp in adjoining national forests, park in day use areas and take day rides into the park. The primary trailheads for day use are:

- String and Leigh Lake Trailheads
- Poker Flats Trailhead

Camping

Backcountry Camping with Stock

There are 5 designated backcountry stock camps in the park. Camping with stock is allowed only at these sites. Fires are not allowed and a backcountry camping permit must be obtained. The sites may be reserved in advance through a request to the Permits Office; the reservation fee is \$25. All backcountry stock camps are signed and hitchrails are provided.

Backcountry horse camp locations:

- North Fork of Granite Canyon
- Death Canyon
- South Fork of Cascade Canyon
- Paintbrush Canyon below Holly Lake
- Berry Creek near Hechtman Creek

Stock Campsites Accessible by Vehicle

There are eight camping areas in the John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway along the unpaved road between Flagg Ranch and Grassy Lake. There are a total of 14 sites in these areas, all of which allow stock animals. No permit is required.

Gros Ventre Campground is the only park campground that allows stock.

Camping with stock animals is allowed in adjacent national forest areas without a permit. Further information may be obtained from the Bridger-Teton National Forest, Box 1888, Jackson, Wyoming 83001 (307) 739-5500 or the Targhee National Forest, Driggs, Idaho 83422 (208) 354-2312.

Regulations

General Regulations

- No party may have more than 12 head of stock for day use or 12 people or 10 head of stock for overnight trips.
- Grazing is prohibited. Processed feed must be packed in and used for all overnight trips; no hay may be packed in. Where allowed, all hay used in the park must be certified as weed free in compliance with Teton County standards. (see page 2 for information concerning noxious weeds)
- The construction of corrals, picketing, hobbling or tying stock to natural features such as trees is prohibited. If hitchrails are not available, tie a rope between two trees away from water sources.
- The right of way should be given to other stock by llama trekkers. A verbal warning of the presence of llamas should be given to those on horseback as soon as they are in hearing range. Llama trekkers should leave the trail and remain stationary until horses have passed.
- For safety reasons, only well-broken, properly shod (except llamas), gentle stock in good condition may be used.
- Keep stock animals at a slow walk when passing near people on foot or bicycle.
- Hikers are to step off the trail and remain quiet while stock animals pass as stock animals have the right-of-way.

Closed Trails

- All trails in the Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve
- The Multi-use Pathways except for bridges over the Snake River and Cottonwood Creek
- Snow covered roads during the winter season.
- Rendezvous Mountain trail from the park boundary to the Middle Fork cutoff of Granite Canyon trail
- Surprise and Amphitheater Lakes Trail and Garnet Canyon from the Valley trail
- Hidden Falls foot trail between the Jenny Lake West Shore boat dock and the junction of the designated horse trail west of Inspiration Point.
- The foot trail on the east shore of Jenny Lake between the outlet of Jenny Lake and the junction of the designated horse trail north of Jenny Lake Overlook.

- Holly Lake trail from the Holly Lake hitchrail past Holly Lake to the Paintbrush Canyon trail.

Areas Open to Stock Use

All travel with stock must be on **designated** trails with the following exceptions:

- In the park, off-trail travel is allowed only south of the RKO Road and east of the Teton Park Road and the Moose-Wilson Road, between Moose Basin Divide and Forellen Peak Pass and between Moose Mountain and the Moose Basin patrol cabin.
- Stock are permitted in hunt areas during the park's elk reduction program.
- In the Rockefeller Parkway, off-trail travel is allowed.

Prohibited Actions

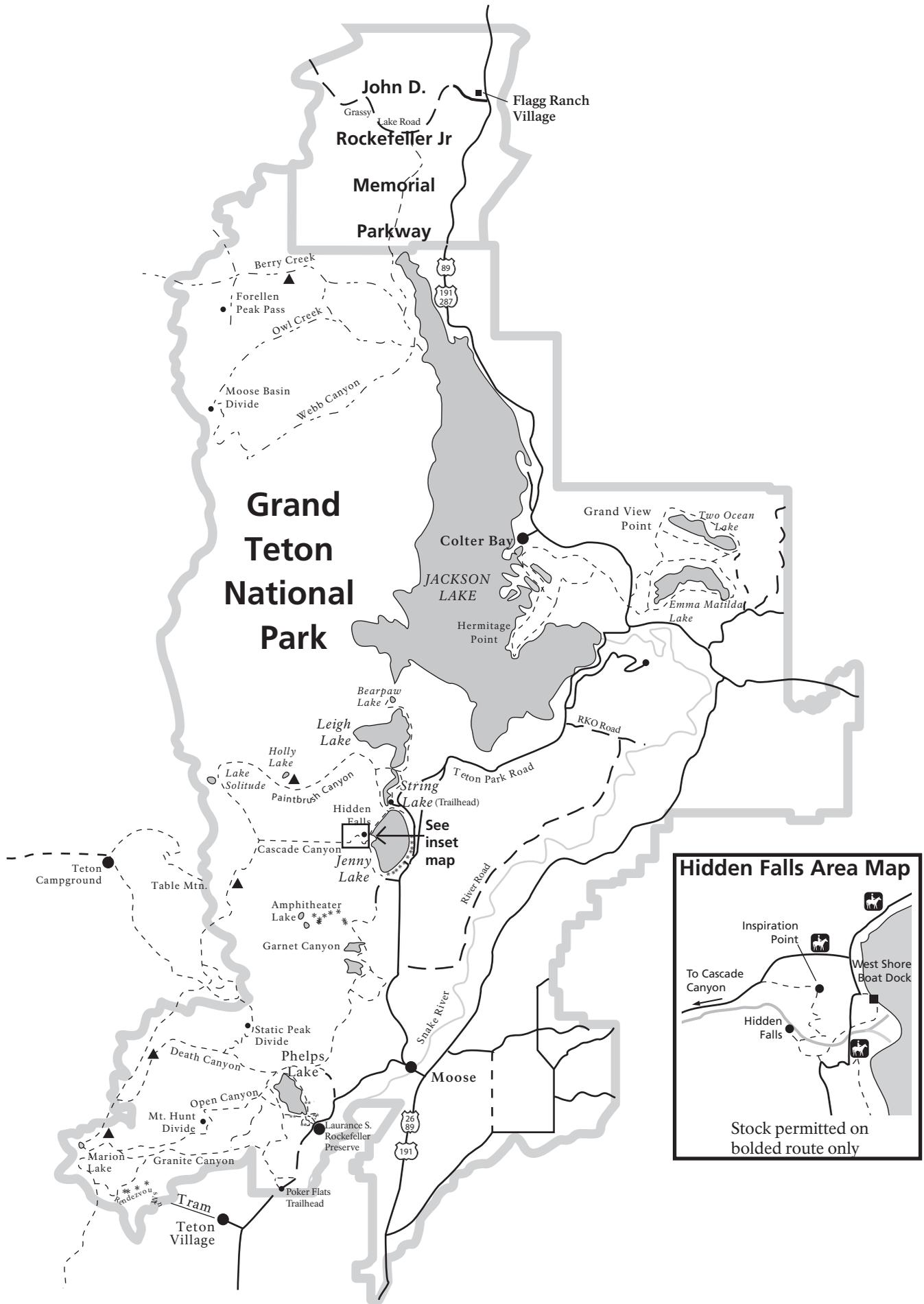
The following are prohibited:

- The use of animals other than those designated as stock to transport equipment.
- The use of stock animals outside of trails, routes or areas designated for their use.
- The use of stock animals on a park road, except where travel is necessary to access designated trails, areas of private property, and no alternative trails or routes have been designated; or when the road is closed to vehicles and snow-free.
- Free-trailing or loose-herding of stock animals

Be Bear Aware

- Black and grizzly bears live throughout the park and parkway and may be active any time of the day or night.
- Feeding bears spells death for bears. Proper food storage is required by federal law. Do not allow bears or other wildlife to obtain human or stock food. Refer to the park's *Backcountry* handout for directions on proper food storage while backcountry camping.

Backcountry Stock Trails and Camps



Legend	North 	Road		Primitive Trail	
	0 1 Kilometer 5	Unpaved Road		Trail Closed to Stock	
	0 1 Mile 5	Trail		Stock Camp	

Noxious Weeds

- To prevent the spread of noxious weeds:
- Where allowed, all hay used must be certified weed-free in compliance with Teton County standards.
 - Clean the hooves, coat, mane and tail of stock before use in the park.
 - Clean stock trailers before use in the park.
 - Hitch stock in weed-free areas.

Additional information on noxious weeds is available at ranger stations and visitor centers.