Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 Leave No Trace Ethics

- **Plan ahead and prepare**: Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- **Travel and camp on durable surfaces**: Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- **Dispose of waste properly**: Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200 feet/60 meters) from camps and all water sources. **Leave no evidence of your stay.**
- **Leave what you find**: Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- **Minimize campfire impacts**: **CAMPFIRES PROHIBITED AT THIS SITE. Use portable stoves only.**
- **Respect Wildlife**: Use carry-in/carry-out bear resistant food storage canister April 1 through October 31. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- **Be considerate of other visitors**: Respect the quality of every visitor’s experience.

**EMERGENCIES**: In case of emergency, call Park Dispatch at (970) 586-1203 or 911. Map (over) shows the location of the nearest phone.

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**Site Location**: Site is in a subalpine spruce/fir forest east of lake. A bridge crosses Fern Creek to reach trail to site. A wood sign indicates the path to the site; the path may be marked by red arrowheads on trees. **Camp safely away from standing dead trees, as near as is safely possible to the silver metal arrowhead.**

**Number of Sites**: 2 (Max. of 2 tents at east site)  
**Elevation**: 10,020 ft.

**Distance**: 4.1 mi. from Bear Lake TH  
4.4 mi. from Fern Lake TH  
**Elevation Change**: Net gain 540 ft. from Bear Lake TH  
(1,180 ft. gain; 640 ft. loss)  
1,870 ft. gain from Fern Lake TH

**Approx. Travel Time**: 3 to 5 hrs.  
**Privy**: YES **ADD PEAT PLEASE**

**Water Source**: Water is available from outlet stream on east side of lake. Boil or adequately treat all water.

**To Reach the Trailhead (TH)**: **Bear Lake TH**: From Beaver Meadows Visitor Center follow Hwy 36 west to Bear Lake Road (approx 1.3 mi.). Turn left onto Bear Lake Road. TH is at the end of Bear Lake Road (approx. 9 mi. after leaving Hwy 36). Parking along road may result in your vehicle being towed. If TH parking is full, use another established parking lot or use the Shuttle Bus when it is available.

**Odessa Lake**