

Gasoline Stations

No gas stations within the park boundaries. Only Grant Grove market sells cans of emergency gas. Fill up in Three Rivers, Clingan's Junction, or at:

- Hume Lake Christian Camp: 559-305-7770. Year-round 24 hours with credit card. 11 miles (18 km) north of Grant Grove via Hwy 180.
- Stony Creek Village: 1-559-565-3909. 24 hours with credit card through 10/9. Between Wuksachi & Grant Grove on Generals Hwy.
- Kings Canyon Lodge: 1-559-335-2405. Gas sold 9am-dark, usually. 17 miles (27 km) from Grant Grove on Hwy 180.

Narrow Winding Roads

In Kings Canyon & National Forest:

- **Hwy 180 to Cedar Grove in the Kings Canyon:** Closed for winter by Caltrans 11/12.
- **Panoramic Point Road:** Motorhomes/trailers not permitted. Closes with snow.
- **Redwood Mountain road (NPS), & Big Meadows, Quail Flat/Ten Mile, Converse Basin (USFS):** Unpaved. Close with snow.

In Sequoia National Park:

- **Moro Rock/Crescent Meadow:** Vehicle-length limit is 22'; no trailers or towed units. See more information on page 6.
- **Crystal Cave Road:** Maximum vehicle cumulative length 22' (6.7m). See details on page 5.
- **Mineral King Road:** Steep, winding, not completely paved. RVs & trailers not recommended (not permitted in campgrounds). Closes late October.
- **South Fork & Middle Fork roads:** Partially unpaved. Slippery when wet. Close later in fall.



Let wildlife cross safely!

Animals often cross the road unexpectedly. Slowing down is one of the best ways to protect them. Scan roadsides ahead and watch for the glow of their eyes at night. Never leave food or litter along roadsides; this may attract animals to their deaths.

Vehicle Length Advisory

Vehicles longer than 22' are not advised between Potwisha Campground and Giant Forest Museum in Sequoia National Park due to Federal Highways advisories.

Vehicles longer than 24' are not advised between Foothills Visitor Center and Potwisha Campground in Sequoia National Park.

Alternatives: Hwy 180 from Fresno is straighter, less steep, and wider. If towing a car, camp in the foothills and use the car. See page 4 for camping. See *Narrow Winding Roads*, below, for more.

Driving Mountain Roads

Prevent Car Fires

Hot brakes & mufflers can easily start fires. Stop only on paved areas, never on grasses.

Don't Lose Your Brakes

If you brake too often, brakes may overheat and fail. Instead, always downshift on the downhill. In automatic vehicles, put the gearshift on 1, 2 or L. The engine gets louder but will save your brakes.

Avoid Overheated Engines

If the temperature gauge starts to go up or the light comes on, especially on the uphill, turn off the air conditioner and turn on the fan. If the engine fails, pull into a paved area, lift the hood, and wait awhile for it to cool. If the problem is vapor lock, this may take care of it.

Emergency Car Repairs

For a tow: 565-3341 then press zero (24 hours). In Sequoia Park only, 24-hour AAA for lock outs, jump starts, out-of-gas, minor repairs: 565-4070.

GPS Errors

GPS units may misdirect you on these roads. Confirm your route via map, signs, or asking someone.

Bicycles

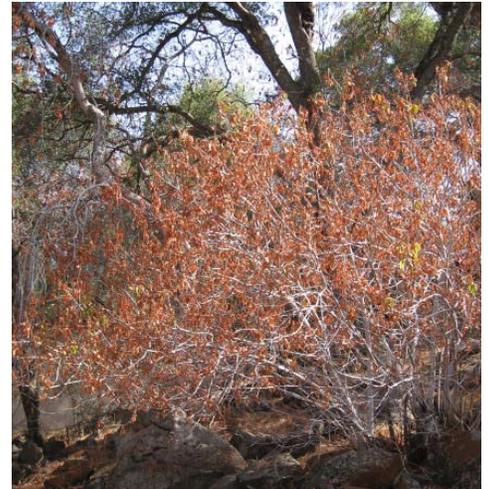
Ride on roads, not trails. Obey traffic rules. Wear light colors at night. Under 18: Helmets required.

Use Turnouts

Always pull over at turnouts to let others pass, both as a courtesy and in case of emergencies.

Icy Roads & Trails

Cold fall temperatures can mean slippery areas, especially in the morning and in the shade. The farther up the mountain you drive, the colder it gets. If it snows, watch out for plows. Recorded road information: 1-559-565-3341, then press 1.



The shrubby trees turning orange on the slopes of the foothills aren't dying. Ask a ranger about the California buckeyes!

Detours & Delays

See bulletin boards at visitor centers, visit www.nps.gov/seki, or contact the park for details.

New Cedar Grove Bridge

The bridge between Hwy 180 and Cedar Grove Village is being replaced. Vehicles and pedestrians: Access the village and lodge via the detour on Northside Road. Large vehicles/trailers use Lewis Creek Trailhead as a turnaround. Work, scheduled 8am-7pm Monday-Saturday, should be complete by the end of the season.

Road Repairs

Intermittent brief delays may occur in the Giant Forest and other park areas due to maintenance projects. Watch for large trucks on the Generals Highway, especially just north of Lodgepole.

Driving Times in good weather

From Foothills to:

Giant Forest	1 hour
Lodgepole	1 hour minimum
Visalia	1 hour
Mineral King (MK)	1½ hours

From Giant Forest to Grant Grove

via Generals Hwy **1 hour**

From Grant Grove to:

Cedar Grove	1 hour
Fresno	1½ hours
Yosemite south entry	3 hours
(via Hwy 41)	