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Sequoia National Park’s Moro Rock Partially Open/Closed to Rock Climbing due to Peregrine Nesting

Three Rivers, CA – Moro Rock, located in Sequoia National Park, is partially open/closed to rock climbing due to peregrine falcons nesting in the area. The **east side of Moro Rock remains closed**, as some of the approaches and rock climbing routes are too close to the nesting site, while the **west side has opened to rock climbing at this time**. Brought back from the brink of extinction, peregrines can be very sensitive to human activity around their nests and, if disturbed, may abandon the nests entirely. It is against the law to disturb the peregrine falcons, and offenders may be cited by a law enforcement ranger. By respecting closures, we play an active role in the conservation in the survival of these birds.

For more information about Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, visit www.nps.gov/seki or call 559-565-3341.

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ABOUT SEQUOIA AND KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARKS

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, which lie side-by-side in the southern Sierra Nevada Mountains in central California, serve as a prime example of nature's size, beauty, and diversity. With the world’s largest trees (by volume), grand mountains, rugged foothills, deep canyons, vast caverns, and the highest point in the lower 48 states, it is a place that attracts 1.6 million visitors a year from across the U.S. and the world. Visitor activities vary by season and elevation.

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