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Updated Road Safety Information for Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks

Three Rivers, CA – The National Park Service staff at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks is making good progress in removing rockslides and landslides from roadways and hopes to provide the public with safe public access, as weather permits, during the holiday season. Currently, due to road closures from flooding, mudslides, and rockslides, there is limited access to Sequoia National Park and Kings Canyon National Park. The main road into Sequoia National Park, the Generals Highway, is open to Hospital Rock, which is approximately 6 miles or a 15-minute drive from the park entrance station at Highway 198. The Foothills Visitor Center is open. No entrance fees are being charged in Sequoia National Park at this time due to limited access, as visitors are not able to drive to the sequoia trees at this time. In addition, at Kings Canyon National Park, the Grant Grove Visitor Center is open. People may visit the General Grant Tree, but vehicles driving within the park will need chains/cables for tires or must be driving a four-wheel drive vehicle with snow tires on and chains/cables in the vehicle for possible later use. Visitors will be charged an entrance fee (\$20 for a seven-day pass) at Kings Canyon National Park. According to Caltrans, the main road into Kings Canyon National Park - Hwy. 180 - is closed at State Route 245 due to a rockslide. More rain and snow is expected in the next couple of days.

For the latest road conditions updates at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Park, please call our 24-hour recorded weather line at 559-565-3341 (once on the main phone tree, dial 1 then 4 for road conditions) or visit our park website at <http://www.nps.gov/seki/parknews/newsreleases.htm>. For updates on roads outside the park, please visit the Caltrans website at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/>.

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