

Road Construction Updates

June 13-26: Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks



Generals Highway: Between Park Entrance at Highway 198 & Giant Forest

Schedule

Subject to change; weather-permitting

Mondays through Thursdays -

- **Daytime Traffic:** From 5-7 a.m. follow traffic signals. Expect up to 20-min. delays. Traffic may pass through the construction area only at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m.
- **Evening Traffic:** From 8-9 p.m., follow the direction of construction staff with safety flags and pilot vehicles. Expect up to 20-min. delays.
- **Late-Night Traffic:** Night work is scheduled from 9 p.m. through 5 a.m., Mondays through Fridays. *There is only one opportunity to drive through the construction zone at 11:30 p.m. each night.*

Fridays - No traffic allowed through construction zone from 12 midnight-5 a.m. From 5-7 a.m., follow traffic signals, and expect up to 20-min. delays. Traffic may pass through construction zone at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. After 2:30 p.m. - Follow traffic signals, and expect up to 20-min. delays.

Weekends - Follow traffic lights/signs and direction of construction staff. Expect up to 20- min. delays between green lights.

Additional Information

The construction zone is a 1½-mile section of the Generals Highway in Sequoia National Park between the park entrance on Highway 198 and Giant Forest (between two local landmarks –Amphitheater Point and Deer Ridge.)

- Traffic may be restricted to a steep, narrow, and winding single lane. Drivers must follow a pilot/lead vehicle when work is in progress. Uphill-bound vehicles allowed through the construction zone first at times listed above.
- The portion of the Generals Highway from Hospital Rock to the Giant Forest Museum is **currently closed to vehicles greater than 22 feet in length**. This restriction is expected to be in effect until May 2012.

Other Minimal Road Delays

Schedules

Subject to change with short notice due to weather or equipment failures

Areas closed to vehicles from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

SNP = Sequoia National Park

KCNP = Kings Canyon National Park

Sequoia National Park (SNP) and Kings Canyon National Park (KCNP) - Pavement Preservation Project with 15 min. max. delays

- June 13 - In KCNP, parking at Knapp's Cabin closed.
- June 13-20 - In KCNP, Cedar Grove Road from Roads End to west park boundary – Pilot car leads traffic in one lane with 15 min. delays. Turnouts closed intermittently.
- June 13-22 - In SNP, Generals Highway from park entrance to 11 miles in park (Amphitheater Point) plus turnouts - Delays 15 min. with pilot car leading traffic.
- June 14 - In KCNP, Cedar Grove, portions of the Zumwalt Meadow parking lot open. Turnouts east/west of Kings River Bridge may be closed.
- June 14 (12 noon)-15 - In SNP, Buckeye Flat Campground and its access road closed.
- June 15 - In KCNP, Cedar Grove, Roads End long-term parking closed. Parking available at Muir Rock parking lot instead. In SNP, Middle Fork Trailhead closed.
- June 16 - In KCNP, portions of Cedar Grove Village parking available.
- June 21-22 - In KCNP, portions of Cedar Grove Village parking available.
- June 22 - In KCNP, half of parking lot at Cedar Grove Visitor Center open.
- June 23 - In SNP, Potwisha Dump Station access road/loop closed.
- June 23-30 - In SNP, Generals Highway from Deer Ridge (12.6 miles from entrance) to Wolverton Road intersection (19.4 miles) will have 15-min. delays. Pilot car will lead traffic in one lane w/turnouts closed intermittently.
- June 27-30 - In KCNP, there will be intermittent closures of turnouts along Cedar Grove from Roads End to west park boundary will have intermittent closures.
- June 30 - In KCNP, parking at Knapp's Cabin closed.

SNP - Halstead Meadow Bridge Project – Flaggers in place with minimal delays June 16-26. On June 27, traffic signals will be in place 24 hrs, 7 days per week, with 10-min. max. delays. Two of three turnouts nearby will close beginning June 20, but picnic turnout open.

KICA - Park Entrance - Big Stump Entrance Station Project - Traffic slowed to 25 mph for increased safety (with possible short-timed delays of up to 20 min. by flaggers on site)

KICA - Cedar Grove - Kings River Bridge - Follow detour signs. Work ongoing Mondays-Fridays, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., plus Saturdays from 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.