



2016 STOCK USE & GRAZING RESTRICTIONS - KINGS CANYON NP WILDERNESS PERMIT CONDITIONS

These area-specific restrictions supplement the Minimum Impact Restrictions and guidelines.

DEFINITION OF TERMS: Stock use: Traveling, camping, and grazing with stock (horses, mules, burros, or llamas). Closed to grazing: Open to travel and camping with stock provided that animals are confined on a hardened surface and given substitute feed. Day use only: Open to stock travel, but animals may not graze or stay overnight. Party size limit for day use is 20 people, 20 stock, with a combined maximum of 40. Closed to stock: Closed to all stock access.

GENERAL RESTRICTIONS: Grazing subject to opening dates and mid-season closures. Confine and feed animals properly if not grazing. Keep animals out of wet areas. Maximum party size is 15 people, 20 head of stock, with no more than 28 combined unless otherwise stated. Except in designated off-trail areas, stock travel is restricted to within ½ mile of maintained trails in areas open to camping with stock, and within 100 yards of trails in areas open to day use only. Keep your camp compact and unobtrusive. Do not build or improve fire rings or campsite “furniture”. No camping within 25 ft. of water. From 25 to 100 ft. from water, camping is only allowed in previously well-established campsites. You are required to remove and scatter all manure piles from within 100 feet of the campsite to reduce odors and insect problems, and to maintain the appearance of the site. Carry a rake to fill in pawed-up areas. Tie to trees only when packing or unpacking stock. Never tie to trees smaller than 6” in diameter. Water stock downstream from campsites. Do not let stock urinate or defecate directly into water sources. If your stock dies in the wilderness, assure that a ranger is notified as soon as possible for help in properly disposing of the animal. Dead stock must be moved at least 300 feet from trails, campsites, and water within 72 hours of death. Minimize gear and number of stock to minimize impacts to the wilderness. All wheeled vehicles, and all motorized equipment are prohibited in wilderness per the Wilderness Act of 1964.

SOUTH FORK SAN JOAQUIN RIVER:

Upper Goddard Canyon	<u>Day use only</u> from one mile above Hell-for-Sure Trail Junction to Martha Lake. Party size limit of 12 people, 12 stock, with a combined maximum of 14.
McClure Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u> until Evolution and Colby Meadows reach capacity. 1 night grazing limit.
Colby Meadow	1 night grazing limit.
Darwin Meadow	Darwin Meadow Proper <u>closed to grazing</u> . The “pocket meadows” in the forested area to the north and west of Darwin Meadow Proper are open to grazing with a 1 night grazing limit.
Lake 11,106’	Class 1 trail open to stock for <u>day use only</u> but probably impassable.
Darwin Bench & Canyon	Class 1 trail <u>closed to stock</u> .
Evolution Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules from Evolution Lake to Muir Pass; 1 night grazing limit for walking parties with burros or llamas.

MIDDLE FORK KINGS RIVER DRAINAGE:

Upper LeConte Canyon	<u>Closed to grazing</u> above 10,000’ elevation.
Big Pete Meadow	Forested peat area west of meadow is <u>closed to grazing</u> .
Dusy Basin	<u>Day use only</u> .
Grouse Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .
Blue Canyon Area	<u>Day use only</u> . <u>Closed to stock</u> above 10,000 ft elevation.
Kettle Dome/Randle Corral	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .

MONARCH DIVIDE:

Areas > 0.5 mi from trail	<u>Open to off-trail stock use:</u> Party size limit of 12 people, 12 stock, with a combined maximum of 14.
Shorty’s Meadow	Two night grazing limit.
Granite Lake	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .

REDWOOD CANYON DRAINAGE:

Redwood Canyon	<u>Day use only:</u> Party size limit of 10 people, 10 stock, with a combined maximum of 20.
Buena Vista Trail	<u>Day use only.</u>

SOUTH FORK KINGS RIVER AND WOODS CREEK DRAINAGES:

Taboose Pass Area	Open to grazing except for the 12 acre wet section of meadow at 11,000 ft which is <u>closed to grazing</u> .
Woods Lake Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules, grazing allowed for walking groups with burros or llamas. Woods Lake shoreline <u>closed to grazing</u> .
Woods Creek Crossing	The meadows on the south side of Woods Creek Crossing are <u>closed to grazing</u> .
Castle Domes Meadow	15 head, 1 night grazing limit.
Paradise Valley	<u>Closed to grazing</u> up to the Lower Castle Domes drift fence.
Baxter Pass Trail	<u>Closed to stock</u> .
JMT - Dollar Lk to Glen Pass, including Rae Lakes Basin	<u>Day use only.</u>
Sixty Lakes Basin	<u>Day use only.</u> Stock travel limited to the first 1.8 miles from the JMT with no stock travel beyond this point. Party size limit of 8 people and stock combined.
S. Side Cedar Grove Sand Flats	<u>Closed to stock</u> .

BUBBS CREEK DRAINAGE:

Lower Bubbs Creek	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules below the Junction Meadow drift fence. One night grazing limit for walking parties with burros or llamas.
Junction Meadow (Bubbs Creek)	15 head, 1 night grazing limit. Grazing temporarily restricted in 2016 as follows. Cedar Grove Pack Station limited to 50 total stock nights of grazing between the two meadows. Grazing prohibited for CUA holders. <u>Upper Meadow:</u> Grazing limited to 32 total stock nights, <u>Lower Meadow:</u> Hand grazing only of the lower meadow with a limit of 50 total stock nights.
East Lake Meadow	12 head, 2 night grazing limit. <u>Closed to grazing</u> below the drift fence, including the lake shore meadows.
Lake Reflection	Class 1 trail open to stock for <u>day use only</u> but probably impassable.
JMT - Glen Pass to Vidette Mdw	<u>Day use only.</u>
Kearsarge/Bullfrog Lakes Basin	<u>Day use only.</u>
Charlotte Lake Meadows	<u>Day use only.</u> Meadows immediately above and below Charlotte Lake <u>closed to grazing</u> .
Charlotte Creek Meadow	Two night grazing limit below the drift fence west of (below) Charlotte Lake.
Vidette Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing.</u>
Upper Vidette Meadow	Grazing by <u>private parties only</u> .
Center Basin	Class 1 trail open to stock for <u>day use only</u> .

ROARING RIVER DRAINAGE:

Areas > 0.5 mi from trail	<u>Open to off-trail stock use:</u> Party size limit of 12 people, 12 stock, with a combined maximum of 14.
JR Pasture/Allen Camp	<u>Administrative use only.</u>
Lackey Pasture	<u>Administrative use only.</u>
Scaffold Meadow Tourist Pasture	15 head, 2 night grazing limit.
Ellis Meadows	<u>Closed to grazing.</u>
Seville Lake	<u>Closed to grazing.</u>

For more detailed information, please see 2016 Stock Users Guide to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Wilderness or visit our website:

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