

Clark Fork Recreation Complex, Summit Ranger District ROG 16-53-02 11/2018

The Clark Fork Recreation Area is located along the banks of the Stanislaus River and the Clarks Fork River. It includes four campgrounds, one day use area, and two organization camps. Sand Flat and Clark Fork campgrounds are operated by a concessionaire under a special use permit. Two campgrounds and one day-use area are operated by the Forest Service. Two organization camps, Peaceful Pines and Camp Liahona, are located in the Recreation Area and operate under special-use permits.

An RV dump station is located on the entrance road to Clark Fork Campground. Campers staying at Clark Fork or Sand Flat campgrounds may use the dump station without charge.

The campgrounds typically open by the start of fishing season, the last Saturday in April and remain open through mid-October, weather permitting.

California Fish and Wildlife plant catchable trout in the rivers and creeks of the Clark Fork Recreation Area during the summer months.

Campgrounds

Clark Fork Campground is located five miles from the junction of the Clark Fork Road and Hwy 108. There are two loops in the campground: "A" loop and "B" loop. Single unit camping fee is \$20 and double unit camping fee is \$40. Both loops have paved roads and parking spurs. "A" loop has 28 sites with tables and campfire rings at each site. Three of the sites are double units and the rest are single units. The restrooms are vault toilets. Piped water is available at faucets serving several sites. "A" loop is the first to open and close during the camping season. "B" loop has 60 sites, six of them are double sites. There are flush toilets in "B" loop. Three sites near the first restroom are fully accessible. There is a fee for extra vehicles and day use in the campground.

Clark Fork Horse Camp is located adjacent to Clark Fork Campground. There are 14 sites designed and available for equestrian campers, or campers with horses and mules. Some sites have table and fire rings. There are three vault toilets and NO potable water. The Forest



Service operates Clark Fork Horse Camp in partnership with the Backcountry Horsemen of California - Mid Valley Unit and suggests a donation to provide for toilet supplies, toilet pumping, and general campground maintenance needs.

Sand Flat Campground is located one mile east of the Clark Fork Campground. A \$19 fee per night is charged. There are 53 drive-in sites and 16 walk-in sites available. Each site has a table and either a rock or metal fire ring. Roads and parking spurs are native surface and gravel. Restrooms are vault toilets and some of the newer units are fully accessible. Four wells supply potable water from hand pumps.

Fence Creek Campground is located just off Clark Fork Road on FS Road 6N06. This is a Forest Service-operated campground; an \$8 fee is charged. The road is gravel and parking spurs are native surface. Drivers, slow travel on the roads helps to greatly reduce dust in the area. There is NO potable water in this campground. All sites have a picnic table and a metal fire ring. There are 3 vault toilets at the campground.

Picnicking

Cottonwood Day-Use area is 3.5 miles from the junction of Hwy 108 and Clark Fork Road. This site is adjacent to the Clark Fork River and is a favorite fishing area for visitors. No fire rings or stoves are present, however, because no overnight camping or campfires are allowed. Barbeques are permitted. There is an accessible vault toilet and an accessible picnic table. There are seven picnic tables in the area. No fee.





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For more information about recreating in the Stanislaus National Forest, please contact the Forest Service locations listed:

Forest Supervisor's Office
19777 Greenley Road
Sonora, CA 95370
(209) 532-3671

Summit Ranger District
Pinecrest Lake Road
Pinecrest, CA 95364
(209) 965-3434



Waterfall near the Clark Fork recreation complex.

