



Accessible Recreation Opportunities

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Stanislaus National Forest

The Stanislaus National Forest is located on the western slopes of the Central Sierra Nevada Mountain range between Yosemite National Park and Lake Tahoe. About one million acres of forest terrain varies from gently rolling foothills to the rugged, majestic peaks of the Sierra Nevada crest. The Stanislaus has more than 800 miles of rivers and streams, more than 200,000 acres of designated wilderness, over 40 campgrounds and nearly 1,000 miles of hiking trails. Three major highways traverse the Stanislaus National Forest in an east-west direction: Hwy 4 to the north, Hwy 108 in the middle and Hwy 120 to the south.



Each year, more than a million visitors enjoy recreation opportunities on the Stanislaus. One of our goals is to improve accessibility to recreational opportunities for persons with disabilities. All of the sites listed here provide accessible parking and at least one accessible toilet. Some sites are rustic with no paved surfaces.

Highway 120 Corridor - (from Hwy 108 toward Yosemite and Tioga Pass)

Rim of the World This vista point on Hwy 120 offers spectacular views of the Tuolumne River Canyon. Take Hwy 120 three miles past the Groveland Ranger Station at Buck Meadows.

The Pines, The Pines Group Sites, Sweetwater, Lost Claim and Dimond O Campgrounds These sites offer accessible campsites, picnic tables and fire rings on the Groveland Ranger District. All restrooms are accessible vault (non-flushing) toilets.

Rainbow Pool Day-Use Area Located off Hwy 120 at the confluence of two forks of the Tuolumne River with accessible picnic tables and accessible toilets. No accessible river access. Alcoholic beverages prohibited.

Cherry Lake Cherry Lake is the largest lake in the Stanislaus National Forest and is open year round. Cherry Valley Campground is open in summer and has many accessible sites with bear lockers, accessible picnic tables and fire rings. There is a large boat ramp for launching motorized water craft from a vehicle for fishing and water sports.

Carlton Day-Use Area Located on Evergreen Road within a mile of Highway 120 (near Yosemite's west gate). This is a beautiful area for a picnic or to relax near the river. Situated on the South Fork of the Tuolumne River, the site offers a short, paved loop trail with river access and accessible picnic sites.

Dimond "O" Campground Located on Evergreen Road, midway between the Highway 120 Yosemite entrance and Hetch Hetchy. Most campsites and all facilities are fully accessible.

Highway 108 Corridor (from Sonora toward Sonora Pass)

Hull Creek Campground Located about 10 miles east of Long Barn, many of the 30 campsites are accessible. This site is a popular OHV staging area with a nearby trail network.

Fraser Flat Campground Located about three miles off Hwy 108 on Forest Road 4N01, this 38-unit campground has many accessible campsites, with two accessible fishing platforms on the banks of the South Fork of the Stanislaus River. All toilets are fully accessible.

Pinecrest Recreation Complex Contains more than a mile of accessible paved trails connecting camp grounds with the lakeshore area.

An accessible fishing platform, amphitheater and several accessible restrooms are available. This complex is on Pinecrest Lake Road, one-half mile from Hwy 108.





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Beardsley Dam and TeleLi puLaya (Black Oak) Campgrounds Offers several accessible campsites. Both are located about 12 miles from Pinecrest on the Beardsley Reservoir Road off Hwy 108. *Beardsley Day Use Area is closed in 2018 due to severe road damage.*

Clark Fork and Sand Flat Campgrounds Offers several accessible campsites. Located on the Clark Fork of the Stanislaus River about eight miles off Highway 108.

Cottonwood Day-Use Area Offers accessible picnic sites and restrooms on Clark Fork Road, near the Clark Fork River.

Donnell Vista and Columns of the Giants Day-Use Areas Offers paved interpretive trails, accessible picnic sites and accessible restrooms.

Kennedy Meadows Trailhead Accessible restrooms and horse loading dock are available at this wilderness trailhead. Located 26 miles east of Strawberry and one mile from Hwy 108.



Highway 4 Corridor - (from Arnold toward Ebbetts Pass to the east)

Wakalu Hep Yo Campground This campground and the Sourgrass recreation and day-use area are located approximately four miles off Hwy 4 along the North Fork of the Stanislaus River. Several campsites are fully or partially accessible. Accessible hot water showers are available as well as flush and vault toilets. There is an accessible amphitheater for summer interpretive programs. Campground is adjacent to the day use area across the river.

Stanislaus River Campground Several of the 25 rustic campsites are accessible along the North Fork of the Stanislaus River.

Spicer Recreation Area Spicer Campground and Spicer Group Campground are located about 10 miles south of Highway 4 on Spicer Reservoir Road. There are 52 sites that offer accessible picnic tables and some accessible barbecues for cooking. Restrooms are accessible vault toilets. The boat ramp has a turn around area and parking for up to 25 vehicles and an accessible restroom.

There is also a rustic amphitheater, but trails are not yet paved. Access Pass accepted.

Lake Alpine Recreation Area A paved accessible trail along the lake offers access to fishing and connects several developed sites. Accessible camping is available at Lake Alpine and Pine Marten Campgrounds. There are accessible flush and vault restrooms. Area is adjacent to Hwy 4, two miles east of Bear Valley.

Bear Valley Ski Area Offers an excellent ski program for skiers with disabilities. Take Hwy 4 past Bear Valley about one mile. Turn left on Hwy 207 and drive approximately one mile.

Pacific Valley Campground Has several rustic accessible campsites located seven miles east of Lake Alpine.

State-offered free fishing licenses California offers free fishing licenses for those with disabilities. Contact the nearest California Department of Fish and Wildlife Office or the main office at www.wildlife.ca.gov or call (916) 928-5805.

Interagency Passes

The Annual, Senior, Access and Active Military passes offer the holder and passengers free access to federal sites with an entrance fee. The Senior and Access passes may qualify the owner to a 50 percent discount at campgrounds and other special programs administered by the Forest Service and other agencies who oversee federal recreation areas.

- **Annual Passes** cost \$80 annually and are valid for entry to federal lands that require an entrance fee. They offer no discounts.
- **Senior Passes** cost a one-time fee of \$80 (Lifetime) or an annual fee of \$20. After paying the fourth annual fee the pass may be converted to a Lifetime pass. Persons 62 years or older qualify. This pass provides the same benefits as the annual pass and may also provide a 50 percent discount at fee campgrounds.
- **Access Passes** are free to any individual with proof of permanent disability. This pass has the same benefits as the senior pass.
- **Active Military Passes** are free annually for current U.S. military and their dependents. They offer no discounts.

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