



Quaking Aspen Campgrounds

Sequoia National Forest

Giant Sequoia National Monument

Western Divide Ranger District



About the Site:

The campground has 32 single family units, two of which are ADA accessible, including a vault toilet. Some units can accommodate recreational vehicles up to a maximum length of 24 feet. Sanitary facilities, potable water, tables, and BBQ stoves are provided.

Open from May 15th through November 15th weather depending.

Elevation is 7,200 feet.

Fishing season is open for Peppermint Creek and streams in the Golden Trout Wilderness area from the last Saturday in April to November 15; the Tule River Drainage, which includes Boulder and Belknap Creeks, and the Tule River, are open to fishing year around.

Consult the CA Department of Fish and Game for specific regulations. Supplies are available at Ponderosa Lodge located approximately 2 miles from the campground.

Location:

Quaking Aspen Campground is located along the Western Divide Highway a quarter of a mile past the end of State Highway 190 (27 miles east of Springville). The campground was named for the quaking aspen trees that grow in the area. The trees are a shimmering brilliant green in the spring and deep russet-gold in the fall. Hiking is available on the many trails near the campground.

Drinking Water:

Piped water at campgrounds is safe to drink and checked regularly. Visitors should not drink spring or stream water without proper treatment. To be safe, boil or filter all water from rivers and streams before drinking.

Fees :

Campgrounds on the Western Divide Ranger District are under concessionaire agreement with California Land Management (CLM). Call ([1-877-444-6777](tel:1-877-444-6777)), or on the Internet as follows: www.recreation.gov for reservations.

Instructions for payment of fees will be provided by Recreation.gov or available at the campground entrance. Visitors will be able to reserve a type of site (i.e., tent, RV, etc.). Unreserved sites are available on a "First-come First-served" basis. Length of stay is limited to 14 days.

Group sites are adjacent to the main campground, and are available by RESERVATION ONLY.

- \$22.00 per day for single units
- \$42.00 for 12 person sites
- \$87.50 for 25 person sites
- \$175.00 for 50 person sites

Bears and Other Wild Animals:

Black bears and other scavengers such as raccoons, squirrels, and jays live in Sequoia National Forest and they are naturally attracted to food and other scented items such as sunscreen and citronella candles. Please protect your food and your personal safety by storing coolers and all other food and scented items inside your vehicle whenever you are not using them. Keep a clean campsite and never feed wild animals!



Campfire Permits

You may want a campfire for cooking, enjoying its warmth, and roasting marshmallows.

For campfires, stoves, lanterns or barbeques used outside a campground or recreational vehicle and some developed campgrounds, you need a campfire permit.



The permit is free, valid for a full year from January 1 to December 31, and may be obtained in person from Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, CAL FIRE offices, or online at <https://www.readyforwildfire.org/prevent-wildfire/campfire-safety/>

Your responsibilities for building and putting out your fire safely are explained on the campfire permit. 36 CFR 261.52(k) PRC 4433.

Be aware that as fire danger becomes greater, campfires may be prohibited. Please check to find out if there are fire restrictions in the area where you intend to camp.

You are welcome to gather dead and down wood to use for your campfire, but not to take home unless you obtain a fuelwood permit.

OHV's and Mountain Bikes: Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV's) that are licensed or registered under the Green Sticker program are allowed on dirt roads signed for their use with a brown and white Forest Service Road Sign. These roads also appear on the Sequoia National Forest Map. All trails outside wilderness areas are open for bicycles unless signed closed.

Firearms:

Firearms are not to be discharged within 150 yards of campgrounds, roads, trails, buildings or any body of water. Discharging of a firearm or any other implement capable of taking human life, causing injury or damaging property is prohibited.

Practice a Leave No Trace! Ethic.

When you leave your campsite,
Take all garbage, large and small.

**PACK IT IN!
PACK IT OUT!**

Nearby Hiking Trails:



- **Summit Trail** passes through the campground climbing Slate Mountain, or in the opposite direction, to the Golden Trout Wilderness, forking left to Maggie Lakes, and right to Grey Meadow.
- **Freeman Creek Trail** meanders through Freeman Sequoia Grove (which is the site of the President George Bush Giant Sequoia tree) and into the Golden Trout Wilderness area, either at Jerky or the Forks-of-the-Kern Trailheads.
- **Needles Lookout Road** is a short drive south of Quaking Aspen. The 2.5 mile hike (one way) will end with a spectacular view of the Lloyd Meadow Basin and the Golden Trout Wilderness area.
- **Dome Rock** is 4 miles south of Quaking Aspen and a short walk to the top from the end of the road for a fine view of The Needles and Lloyd Meadow basin area.
- **North Road (21S50)** is about a quarter of a mile west of Quaking Aspen and the gateway to Jordan Peak Lookout, Golden Trout Wilderness, and Freeman Creek Grove.

Thank you for your help in making forest visits enjoyable and safe! Plan ahead by obtaining a National Forest map at one of the following offices:

Western Divide Ranger District

**32588 Hwy 190
Springville, CA 93265
[559-539-2607](tel:559-539-2607)**

Forest Supervisor's Office

**220 E Morton Ave
Porterville, CA 93257
[559-784-1500](tel:559-784-1500)**

