



2014 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 rides & pass-through travel only: Open to stock travel, but animals may not graze or stay overnight. Closed to stock: Closed to all stock access.

GENERAL RESTRICTIONS: Confine and feed animals properly if not grazing. Keep animals out of wet areas. Maximum party size is 15 people, 20 head of stock unless otherwise stated. Stock travel is restricted to within ½ mile of maintained trails except in designated off-trail areas or along designated routes. 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 rides only</u> from one mile above Hell-for-Sure Trail Junction to Martha Lake.
Hell-for-Sure Pass	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.
Evolution Meadow	Grazing temporarily limited to 112 total stock nights.
McClure Meadow	Grazing temporarily limited to 108 total stock nights. One night grazing limit.
Colby Meadow	Grazing temporarily restricted to private parties only. Grazing temporarily limited to 61 total stock nights. One night grazing limit.
Darwin Meadow	Darwin Meadow proper temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u> . The "pocket meadows" in the forested area to the north and west of Darwin Meadow are open to grazing with a one night grazing limit.
Lake 11,106'	<u>Day rides only</u> .
McGee Canyon	Unmaintained trail below 10,400' open to stock use. <u>Closed to stock</u> above 10,400'.
Darwin Bench & Canyon	<u>Closed to stock</u> because it is located more than ½ mile from a maintained trail.
Evolution Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> by horses and mules from Evolution Lake to Muir Pass; one night grazing limit for walking groups with burros or llamas.

MIDDLE FORK KINGS RIVER DRAINAGE:

Upper LeConte Canyon	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u> above 10,000' elevation.
Big Pete Meadow	Grazing temporarily limited to private and commercial parties with a limit of 50 total stock nights. Users are requested to work with Le Conte Ranger on grazing practices. Open to limited administrative grazing.
Dusy Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> from lower lip of the basin to Bishop Pass, including Rainbow Lakes.
Cataract Creek	<u>Day rides only</u> .
Blue Canyon Area	Unmaintained trail below 10,000' open to stock use. <u>Closed to stock</u> above 10,000'.

MONARCH DIVIDE:

Hotel Creek	Traditional off-trail routes and forage areas open to stock use.
Kennedy Canyon	Open to off-trail stock use.
Dougherty/Horseshoe Creeks	Open to off-trail stock use.
Shorty's Meadow	Two night grazing limit.
Granite Basin	Open to off-trail stock use except for Granite Lake area.
Granite Lake	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .
Grouse Lake	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.

SOUTH FORK KINGS RIVER AND WOODS CREEK DRAINAGES:

Cartridge Pass/Lakes Basin	Unmaintained trail open to stock use but probably impassable.
Woods Lake Meadows/Basin	<u>Closed to grazing</u> around Woods Lake shore. Trail to Sawmill Pass open to stock use.
Woods Creek Crossing	The meadows on the south side of Woods Creek below camp area are <u>closed to grazing</u> .
Castle Domes Meadow	15 head per party maximum. One night grazing limit.
Paradise Valley	<u>Closed to grazing</u> up to the Lower Castle Domes drift fence.
Baxter Creek Drainage	<u>Day rides and pass-through travel only</u> from John Muir Trail to Baxter Pass.
Rae Lakes Basin	<u>Entire basin closed to grazing</u> , including Dragon Lake Meadow.
Sixty Lakes Basin	Temporarily <u>closed to grazing</u> . <u>Day rides only</u> , with stock travel restricted to the established trail to a point approximately 1.8 miles from the junction of the John Muir Trail with the Sixty Lakes Trail. No stock travel beyond this point.

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.
Sphinx Lakes	Unmaintained trail open to stock use.
Junction Meadow (Bubbs Creek)	Hand grazing of up to 30 stock nights allowed in the lower meadow, subject to opening dates. Grazing of the upper portion of the meadow temporarily limited to private parties and to 50 total stock nights for Cedar Grove Pack Station. 15 head per party maximum. One night grazing limit.
East Lake Meadow	Grazing temporarily limited to 30 total stock nights. <u>Closed to grazing</u> below the drift fence.
Lake Reflection	<u>Closed to stock</u> because it is located more than ½ mile from a maintained trail.
Vidette Meadow	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .
Upper Vidette Meadow	Grazing temporarily restricted to private parties only.
Vidette Lakes	<u>Closed to stock</u> because it is located more than ½ mile from a maintained trail.
Center Basin	<u>Day rides only</u> above the John Muir Trail.
Kearsarge/Bullfrog Lakes	<u>Closed to grazing</u> . Low trail through basin closed to stock except spot trips to Kearsarge Lakes from the upper trail junction. Bullfrog Lake <u>closed to all overnight use</u> .
Charlotte Lake Meadows	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.

ROARING RIVER DRAINAGE:

Open to unrestricted off-trail stock use except for the following:

JR Pasture/Allen Camp	Administrative use only.
Scaffold Meadow Tourist Pasture	15 head per party maximum. Grazing limited to two nights.
Lackey Pasture	Administrative use only.
Cement Table Meadow	15 head per party maximum. Three night grazing limit.
Grave Meadow	15 head per party maximum. Temporary three night grazing limit.
Ellis & Tom Sears Meadows	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .
Seville Lake	<u>Closed to grazing</u> .

REDWOOD CANYON DRAINAGE: Day rides and pass-through travel only.

For more detailed information, please see 2013 Stock Users Guide to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Wilderness or visit our website: www.nps.gov/seki/planyourvisit/wilderness

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