

HIGHWAY 4 ACTIVITIES

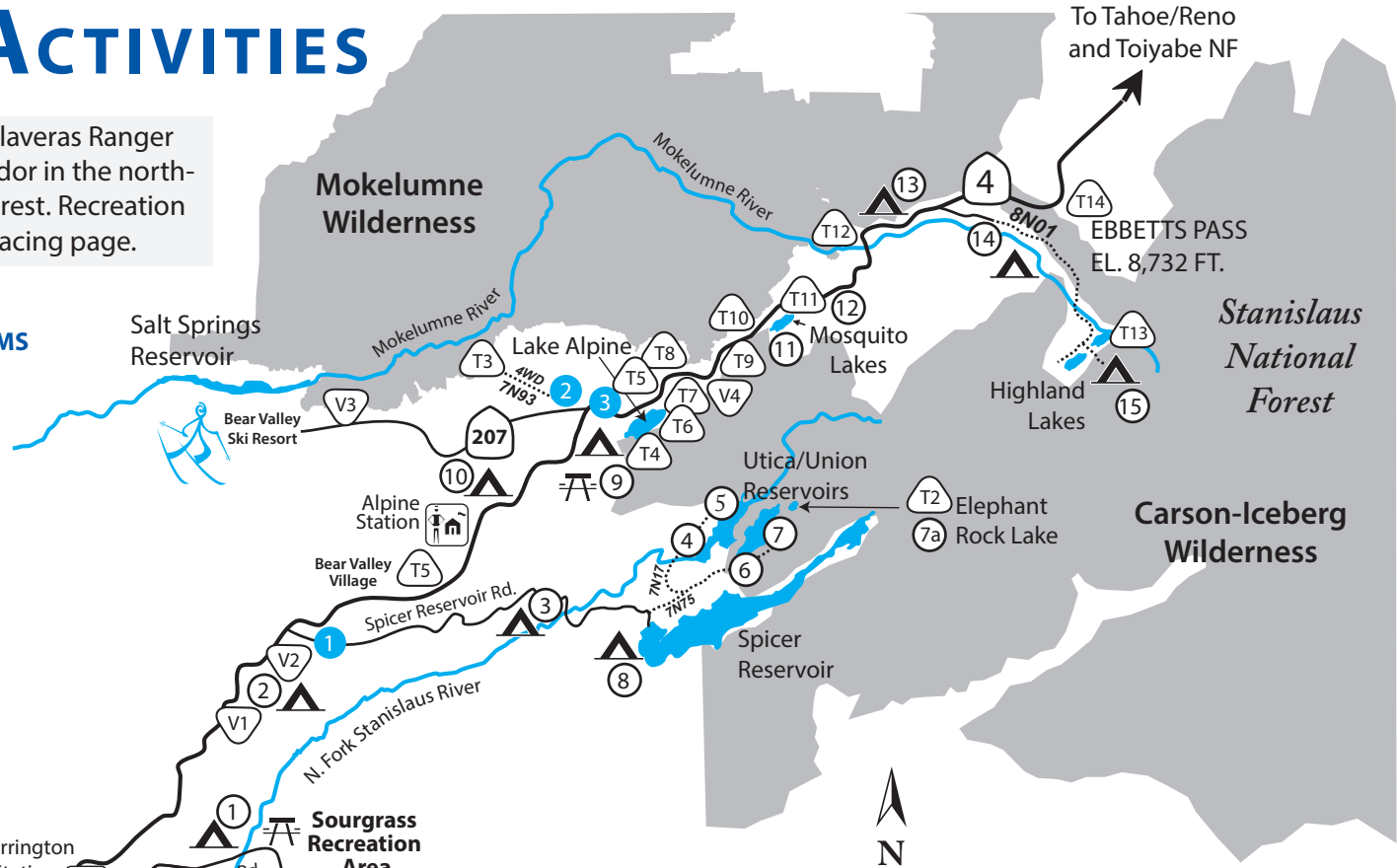
Headquartered in Hathaway Pines, the Calaveras Ranger District encompasses the Highway 4 corridor in the north-west portion of the Stanislaus National Forest. Recreation opportunities are shown on this and the facing page.

2017 Stanislaus National Forest
Calaveras Ranger District

Interpretive Programs and Activities

Interpretive programs and activities are offered at Lake Alpine Recreation Area, Wakalu Hep Yo Campground, and on the Arnold Rim Trail. Pick up a guide at Forest Service offices. View online at www.fs.usda.gov/stanislaus or www.3forests.us/stanislaus.

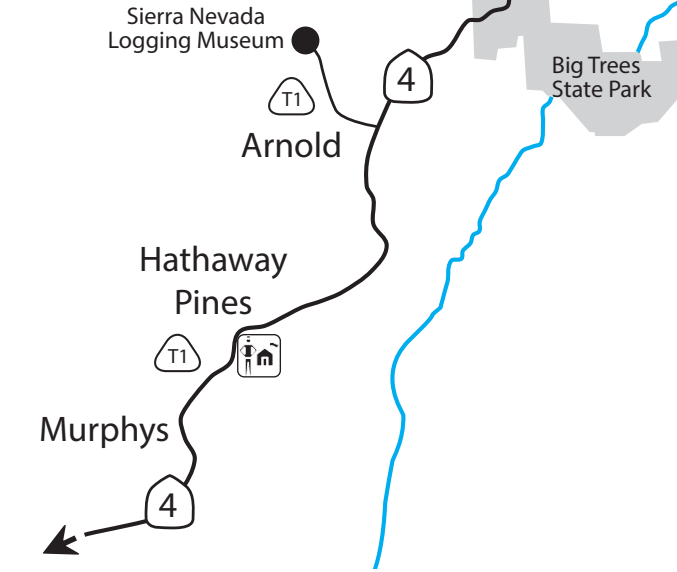
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Map Not To Scale

HIGHWAY 4 CAMPGROUNDS	Elevation 00'	Fee	Extra Vehicle Fee	# of Sites	Seasonally Closed	Potable Water	Toilets	RV/Trailer-max length ft	ADA accessible sites	Reservations	Fishing	Boating	Biking	Hiking
1 Wakalu Hep Yo	39	.		49	.	F/V	50	.	.	.	p			
2 Big Meadow	65	.		68	.	V	27		*					
2 Big Meadow Group CG	65	.		10	.	V	~		*					
3 Stanislaus River	62	.		25	.	V	35			.				
4 Utica - Sandy Flat	68	.		11	.	V	~			.	p			
5 Utica - Rocky Point	68	.		12	.	V	~			.	p			
6 Union West	68	.		18	.	V	~			.	p			
7 Union East	68	.		11	.	V	27			.	m/p	.	.	
8 Spicer Reservoir	66	.		60	.	V	50			.	m/p	.	.	
8 Spicer Res. Group CG	66	.	60 max		.	V	50		*	.	m/p	.	.	
9 Lake Alpine Rec. Area***	73	.		101	.	F/V	50	.	.	.	m/p	.	.	
10 Lodgepole Group/Overflow CG	73	.		30	.	V	~		*		.	.	.	
11 Mosquito Lakes	83	.		11	.	V	~			.	p	.	.	
12 Pacific Valley	76	.		15	.	V	~			.		.	.	
13 Hermit Valley	71			L	.	V	25			.		.	.	
14 Bloomfield	78	.		20	.	V	~			.		.	.	
15 Highland Lakes	82	.		35	.	V	~			.	p	.	.	

Free day-use sites (restrooms/water) for picnicking are located at Lake Alpine & Sourgrass
m = motorized, **p** = paddle boats, **~** = RVs/trailers not advised, **L** = Limited, **V**=Vault/non-flushing pit toilet, **F** = Flush
 * Group Campsites: Spicer Group (209)296-8895, Big Meadow, & Lodgepole Group (877)444-6777 or www.recreation.gov
 *** Consists of: Lake Alpine, Silvertip, Pine Marten, Silver Valley, Backpackers walk-in, Lodgepole Group/Overflow
 Campfire Permits may be obtained on-line at <http://www.PreventWildfireCA.org>



SNO-Parks provide a safe place for people to park and access the forest for sledding, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Groomed snowmobile trails are also provided during winter months. Sno-Park Permits can be obtained at www.ohv.parks.ca.gov/snoparks and from local vendors.

1	SPICER SNO-PARK
2	ROUND VALLEY SNO-PARK
3	LAKE ALPINE SNO-PARK

EBBETTS PASS NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY VIEWPOINTS

Name	Notes	Name	Notes
V1 Liberty Vista	North Fork Stanislaus canyon; Dardanelles	V3 Hwy 207	Road to Bear Valley Ski Area. Views of Mokelumne Peak, Dardanelles.
V2 Hell's Kitchen	Balancing Rock at west end of turnout.	V4 Cape Horn	Dardanelles view. Emigrant Tr. / MCCT access. Parking limited.

DAY USE RIVER ACCESS

Name	Location	River Notes
1 Sourgrass Rec. Area (Stanislaus R.)	5 miles northeast of Dorrington on Boards Crossing Rd.	Boulders, rapids, cascades, pools. Raft put-in.
3 Stanislaus River CG Day Use Area	On Spicer Rd 3 miles east of Hwy. 4.	Flat, creek-sized, rock slabs, forested.
8 Highland Creek	End of Spicer Rd (below dam).	Fishing access.
13 Hermit Valley (Mokelumne R.)	12 miles northeast of Bear Valley along Hwy. 4.	Flat, creek-sized channel through meadow.
14 Highland Lakes Road (Mokelumne R.)	Hwy. 4 to Road 113 (1 mi paved), becomes 8N01 (4.7 mi unpaved).	Creek-sized with rocks. Rd 8N01 is rough.

ROAD-ACCESSIBLE LAKES

Name	Acres	Notes
4,5 Utica Reservoir	241	Small islands, lots of granite. Kept mostly full. Designed for hand launching of non-motorized boats.
6,7 Union Reservoir	218	Small islands, mountain views, granite. Kept mostly full. Dirt ramp designed for small watercraft.
7a Elephant Rock Lake	10	Natural pond with marsh/mud/grass shoreline surrounded by conifer forest. Backdrop view of elephant rock.
8 Spicer Reservoir	2,000	Great mountain views. Ramp and dock (but may be out of water due to low water levels); boat trailer parking.
9 Lake Alpine (reservoir)	173	Granite slabs on shoreline, mountain views. Kept mostly full. Ramp, dock, boat trailer parking, boat rentals, lodge.
11 Mosquito Lakes	3, 2	Two small, shallow, reflective alpine lakes. Forest, granite boulders, and picturesque summer cabins around shoreline.
15 Highland Lakes	58, 10	Two alpine lakes in an open, grassy setting within conifer forest. Views of mountains, Hiram Peak, and canyons below.

HIGHWAY 4 RECOMMENDED HIKING TRAILS

Name	Trailhead Location	Effort	Miles (one-way)	Notes
T1 Arnold Rim	Runs from Hathaway Pines to Arnold*	☑	17	Views, streams, waterfall, older growth cedar, pine, fir, oak.
T2 Rock Lake	Union East CG/Elephant Rock Lake	☑	3.2/1.9	Lakes, elephant rock. Some burned-over areas. In CIW.
T3 Camp Irene	Lake Valley TH. Access via Rd. 7N93 (4WD)	◆	5.1	Mokelumne River access/pools. No cows. No water until river. In MW.
T4 Lakeshore	Runs from Pine Marten CG to FS Rd. 7N17	●	1.6	Lake & mountain views, creek. Part of Emigrant Tr./MCCT
T5 Bee Gulch	Across hwy. from Chickaree Day Use	☑ ◆	3	Forest, meadows, creek, wildflowers, panoramic views.
T5 Bear Valley to Lake Alpine	Bear Valley/East end of Lake Alpine	● ☑	4	Trail parallels Hwy 4. Paved along Lake Alpine shoreline.
T6 Inspiration Point	Road on south side of Pine Marten CG	☑ ◆	1.5	Views of Lake Alpine, Union and Utica Reservoirs, and the Dardanelles.
T7 Rock Lake	Silver Valley TH (at SVCG entrance)	☑	4.5	Lakes, forest, some burned-over areas at Rock Lake. In CIW.
T7 Duck Lake	Silver Valley TH (at SVCG entrance)	☑	1.2	Lake, meadow, wildflowers, fall color. Loop adds .7 mi. In CIW.
T8 Wheeler Ridge/Lake	Woodchuck Basin TH	☑	1.75/3.1	Views, forest, meadows, wildflowers, lake, volcanic ridge. In MW.
T9 Bull Run Lake	Stanislaus Meadow TH	☑ ◆	3.5	Alpine meadow, lake with island in middle, great views. In CIW.
T10 Sandy Meadow	Sandy Meadow TH	●	4.2	Easier alternate to Wheeler Lake. Park on south side hwy. In MW.
T11 Heiser Lake	Mosquito Lakes TH	☑	2.5	Shallow lake, mild for swimming; views from west end. In CIW.
T12 Deer Creek	Hermit Valley TH	◆	1.6	Goes along Mokelumne River to Deer Creek. In MW.
T13 Asa Lake	Hwy 4, 113 & 8N01 to Highland Lakes	● ☑	2.3	Lower Gardner TH. Meadows, forest, spring-fed lake. In CIW.
T14 Noble Lake	Ebbetts Pass TH (Pacific Crest Tr.)	☑ ◆	4.5	Beautiful high country. Spectacular views. In HTNF.
T14 Upper Kinney Lake	Ebbetts Pass TH (Pacific Crest Tr.)	●	1.75	Take spur trail to .2 mi to PCT & PCT north across hwy. In HTNF.

Tell what you find: email caseyajardine@fs.fed.us. *Arnold Rim Trail has many access points; obtain a map at ranger stations (\$1) or at arnoldrimtrail.org.
 Effort: Easy ● Moderate ☑ Strenuous ◆ TH=Trailhead, Tr.=Trail, CG=Campground, Rd.=Road, Hwy.=Highway, R.=River, mi.=mile/s. MCCT=Mokelumne Coast to Crest Trail, MW= Mokelumne Wilderness, CIW=Carson-Iceberg Wilderness, HTNF=Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, PCT=Pacific Crest Trail.