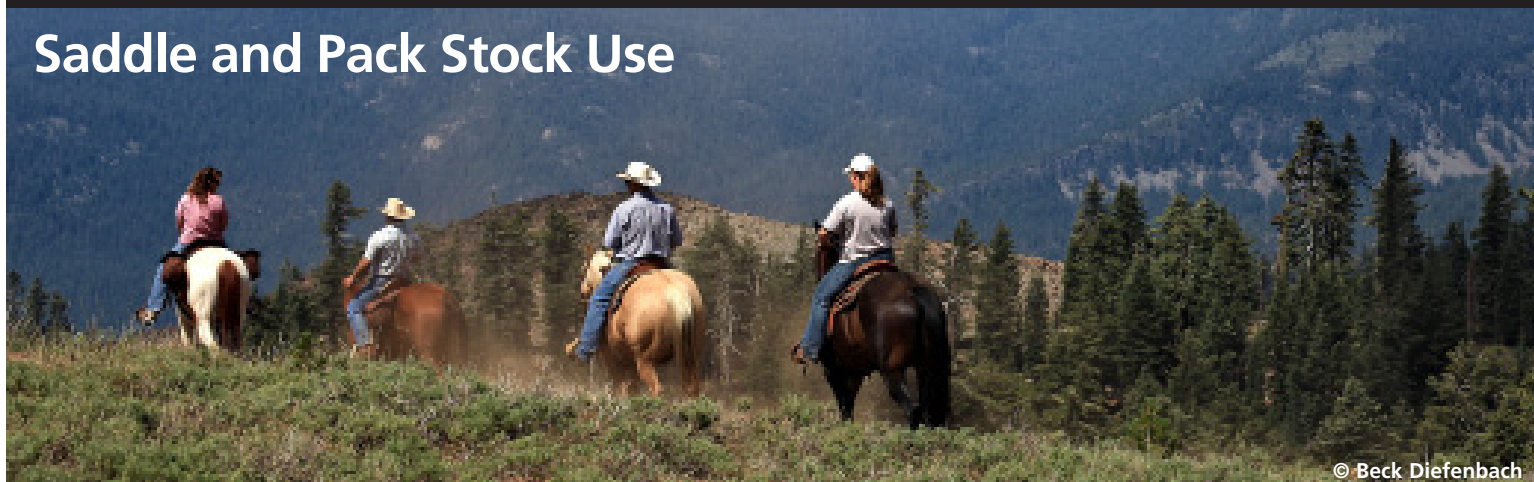




## Saddle and Pack Stock Use



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Lassen Volcanic National Park offers 106,000 acres of high meadows and valleys, and 150 miles of trails including 17 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail. Over 100 miles of these trails are open to horseback riders. The following regulations for saddle and pack animals help insure the safety of visitors, riders, and horses, and the protection of resources. For the purpose of these regulations, the terms *stock* and *pack animals* refer to horses, mules, burros, and llamas.

### Trail Regulations

1. Use stock and pack animals only on trails, routes, and areas designated for their use.
2. The use of stock or other pack animals on paved roads is prohibited except where such travel is necessary for entry to or exit from trails, or is incidental to authorized travel.
3. Stock and pack animals must proceed at a slow walk when traveling in the immediate vicinity of people on foot.
4. The use of animals other than those designated as pack animals for purposes of riding or the transportation of equipment is prohibited.
5. Due to the small size of the park and generally unacceptable locations for overnight use of stock and pack animals, overnight stays are not permitted in the backcountry.
6. Fifteen animals is the maximum permitted group size.
7. Pets are not allowed on trails or in backcountry areas.
8. Stock must travel on designated trails, as off trail tracks remain visible in the park's volcanic soils for many years. Stock and pack animals are not permitted on the trails in the following areas:
  - Manzanita and Reflection lakes
  - Lassen Peak trail
  - Bumpass Hell trail from the parking area to Cold Boiling Lake
  - Cinder Cone Trail
  - Devil's Kitchen and Sulphur Works thermal areas

At times when trail or weather conditions warrant (such as trees across the trail or wet soil), additional stock use conditions (including trail closures) may be established.

Additional regulations regarding stock care are listed on the reverse.

### Permit Required

A backcountry use permit is REQUIRED for all stock use. This permit is available at the Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitor Center, the Loomis Museum, or through mail to the park headquarters, P.O.

Box 100, Mineral, CA 96063. We recommend calling the Lassen Volcanic National Park Visitor Center at (530) 595-4480 to obtain a permit prior to your arrival.

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## Stock Care Regulations

1. Please refrain from free-trailing and loose-herding stock and pack animals.
2. Picketing and/or grazing of stock is not permitted.
3. Do not tie animals to trees. They can disturb soil, damage roots, and debark trees.
4. Avoid riding or tying stock animals in campgrounds, picnic areas, or within the immediate vicinities of eating or sleeping establishments or other public gathering areas, except where trails and facilities are designated for such use.
5. When leaving stock for short periods of time, tie them to a high line or hobble them near the trail. Tie the line between two trees or rocks and tether the animals to it. Hang the line on a flat, sparsely vegetated site to limit damage to roots and plants.
6. To protect water quality in the park, keep stock at least 100 feet from lakes and streams unless your route makes this unavoidable. When traveling near lakes or crossing streams, do not stop to water animals. Carry a collapsible pail to water your stock.
7. In the backcountry, scatter manure and smooth the area over to accelerate the decay process and reduce odor and visual impact.
8. Use processed grain or pellet feed with a nosebag to feed stock while on the trails. To prevent the introduction of non-native plants in the park, hay and seed-type feed are not recommended but may be used in the park's overnight stock facilities. All feed must be removed before departure.

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## Reservations

Sites for stock parties are available by reservation only. Reservations must be made in advance by calling the fee office at (530) 595-6121. Lassen Volcanic National Park begins accepting

reservations on April 11, 2011. Cancellations are subject to an administrative fee of \$25.00 or the cost of the reservation, whichever is less.

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## Stock Facilities

The following sites are provided for camping with stock in the park. Please note that overnight stays are not permitted in the backcountry.

### Butte Lake Corral

The corral is located across from the Butte Lake Ranger Station, and is accessed by a six-mile dirt road off Highway 44. There is a maximum limit of eight animals and 10 people with parking limited to six licensed vehicles. The fee is \$14.00 per night per campsite and \$4.00 per night per animal.

### Juniper Lake Corral

The corral is located near the Juniper Lake Ranger Station, and is accessed by a rough dirt road 13 miles north of Chester. There is a maximum limit of eight animals and 10 people with parking limited to four licensed vehicles. Water for stock animals is available at the facility; campers must bring water for human consumption. The fee is \$10.00 per night per campsite and \$4.00 per animal per night.

### Summit Lake Corral

The corral is located across the road from the North Summit Lake Campground. There is a maximum limit of eight animals and 10 people with parking limited to six licensed vehicles. The fee is \$14.00 per night per campsite and \$4.00 per animal per night.

Please note the following information regarding stock facilities:

- Place manure in a plastic bag no more than ¼ full then place next to the refuse container or remove from the park upon departure.
- Portable corrals are not allowed except within designated corral enclosure areas listed above.
- Hitch rails are not provided. Be prepared to use your trailer as a hitch rail.

