

**Table ES-1
BUTANO STATE PARK
DRAFT MANAGEMENT ZONE MATRIX**

	ENTRANCE AND FACILITIES ZONE	GAZOS MOUNTAIN CAMP ZONE	BACKCOUNTRY ZONE
AREA DESCRIPTION	This zone is located in the lower portion of the Little Butano Creek watershed at the park entrance. It contains most of the park's visitor services and recreation opportunities, including initial visitor contact, orientation, picnic and campgrounds, and visitor center.	This zone is located southeast of the park entrance and is adjacent to Gazos Creek and Gazos Creek Road. It includes the Gazos Mountain Camp classrooms, offices, cabins, maintenance facilities, and outdoor activity areas within a forest setting.	The Backcountry Zone is generally characterized by the steeper, more rugged terrain in the park's higher elevations, forested mountains, and riparian corridors within the Little Butano Creek, Gazos Creek, and Butano Creek watersheds. Most of the park is in the Backcountry zone.
RESOURCE CHARACTER & MANAGEMENT (Carrying Capacity Objective)	This zone will be managed to preserve and enhance the combination of recreation opportunities and resource values, plus provide for administrative functions. The redwood and Douglas-fir forest ecosystems and the riparian corridors will be protected as important features and essential elements that define this park's distinct identity and its visitor experiences.	This zone will be managed for its natural, scenic, educational, and recreational values. Management of the Gazos Creek riparian area and the surrounding redwood/Douglas-fir forest will encourage natural processes, protect sensitive species, and preserve scenic views.	The Backcountry will be managed primarily to preserve its cultural, natural, and scenic resources and sense of solitude, while expanding trail and primitive camping recreation opportunities.
VISITOR EXPERIENCES (Carrying Capacity)	Recreation and administration facilities will remain small-scale to maintain the park's intimate character. Public use areas will be separated from park	The Gazos Mountain Camp area will retain appropriate existing facilities for adaptive uses that are compatible with protection and enhancement of	A low level of visitor use contributes to the remote character of the Backcountry.

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Objective)	<p>administration, staff housing, and operations and maintenance facilities as much as possible to reduce congestion and user conflicts in this primary visitor use area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High to medium level of use • Frequent contact with others 	<p>the natural resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium level of use • Moderate contact with others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low level of use • Infrequent contact with others
VISITOR USES	<p>Visitor facilities provide interpretation of the natural and cultural resources, as well as day use and overnight camping. There are also limited park administration, staff housing, and operations facilities in this area.</p>	<p>Appropriate uses may include a regional environmental education center. Provides day use and overnight opportunities for individuals and groups.</p>	<p>Hikers, bicyclists, and equestrians can explore the park on an extensive trail system and connect with the region's network of multi-use trails to venture into the surrounding Santa Cruz Mountains and coastal areas. Trail camps provide backcountry camping.</p>
RANGE OF APPROPRIATE FACILITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitor center • Expanded parking • Office/Storage • Interpretive elements • Staff housing • Restrooms • Trailheads • Family & Group Picnic sites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classrooms • Offices • Restrooms • Cabins • Vehicle parking • Concessions • Interpretive elements • Maintenance facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trails • Trailheads • Trail camps • Restrooms • Regional trail connections

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family & Group Campsites • Maintenance/Ops. Bldg. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor activity areas 	