



California State Parks Fire Update

8 State Parks Closed in Southern California Fires

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The threat of wildfires and smoke has subsided and many parks have reopened. We still have eight parks and an additional campground that remain closed as listed below.

California State Parks continues to assist in the fire emergency by providing temporarily campsites and day use areas, listed far below, to more than 1,700 evacuees who cannot return to their homes. For visitors who had their reservations canceled as a result, we appreciate your understanding in this time of crisis.

Some of the 11 parks where camping reservations were canceled through October 31 have reopened, but reservations remain canceled as full refunds have already been issued. Visitors are welcome to visit reopened parks on a first-come, first-served basis. Sites will be provided as space becomes available.

Travelers should still be advised that fire conditions are subject to change and may impact delivery of services at any of our state parks in Southern California on short notice. Assistance for evacuees, travel information and other fire-related information is available online at the Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

<http://www.oes.ca.gov/Operational/OESHome.nsf/ALL/876C5DEE11FE66808825737C005B8754?OpenDocument>

For more information about camping reservation cancellations, please see Reservation Cancellations Explained @ http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24787.

Closed Parks

Orange County

Crystal Cove State Park – Cottages open. Reservations canceled at campsites.

Riverside County

Mount San Jacinto State Park: Reservations canceled
San Timoteo Canyon

San Bernardino County

Chino Hills State Park
Wildwood Canyon

San Diego County

Cuyamaca Rancho State Park – Reservations canceled
Palomar Mountain State Park – Reservations canceled
San Onofre State Beach – Reservations canceled at the San Mateo Campground
San Pasqual Battelfield State Historic Park

Parks that remain closed as a result of the threat of wildfire and smoke will open once it is determined to be safe for visitors. Two parks, San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park and Palomar Mountain State Park are estimated to remain closed for some time, as they were significantly damaged by wildfire and will need time to be restored.

State Parks Assisting Evacuees

The Department encourages evacuees to seek out established emergency services and facilities designed to more thoroughly support their needs. To assist in that effort, California State Parks is working with emergency agencies at all levels to provide a list of services and locations where people can be better served with food, clothing, shelter and other more permanent needs. A list of services is available online at the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES), which is coordinating the state's fire response.

Imperial County

- Ocotillo Wells SVRA

Orange County

- Doheny State Beach
- San Clemente State Beach
- San Onofre State Beach at it's San Mateo Campground

Riverside County

- Lake Perris

San Diego County

- South Carlsbad State Beach
- San Elijo State Beach
- Silver Strand State Beach
- Anza Borrego Desert State Park at it's Palm Canyon and Tamarisk Grove campgrounds

The following list of state parks shows parks closed, as well as parks where reservations have been cancelled. Refunds are available. Except where otherwise indicated, cancellations will remain in effect through October 31.