



## News Release

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### **Plumas National Forest Campground Openings**

Many campgrounds on the Plumas National Forest in northeastern California have opened early this season due to favorable weather conditions, just in time for the Memorial Day weekend.

In the vicinity of Challenge, at the Sly Creek Reservoir Area, Sly Creek and Strawberry Campgrounds are open, as well as the Sly Creek Boat Ramp. Other district campgrounds available are: Little North Fork, Milsap Bar, and Rogers Cow Camp. The Little Grass Valley Reservoir Recreation Area will open by Memorial Day weekend. For a day hike, visit the Feather Falls or Bald Rock and make sure to take plenty of drinking water when hiking.

Camping in the Feather River Canyon along Highway 70 opened in early April: Gansner Bar, North Fork, Queen Lily, and Hallstead. Spanish Creek, Snake Lake, Deanes Valley, and Rock Creek Campgrounds near Quincy are open. The Bucks Lake Recreation Area campgrounds such as Sundew, Mill Creek, Hutchins Group, Lower Bucks, Grizzly Creek, and Whitehorse will be open for the Memorial Day weekend. Trails in the Bucks Lake Wilderness Area are also open with some patchy snow. In the Antelope Lake Recreation Area, Long Point and Lone Rock Campgrounds are currently open; Boulder Creek will open for the holiday weekend.

At the Lake Davis Recreation Area in the vicinity of Portola, all campgrounds are open, and boating docks are available. All campgrounds are open at the Frenchman Lake Recreation Area near Chilcoot. The Frenchman Dock is in the water, with the Lunker Dock being in by Memorial weekend. Camping in the Lakes Basin Area is open. Some trails still have small patches of snow, while lower elevations are snow-free. Take a drive and short walk to Frazier Falls to enjoy spring run-off. Other open campgrounds include Conklin Park, Crocker, Laufman, and Meadow View.

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For more information about recreation opportunities, contact the following:

- Feather River Ranger District, (530) 534-6500
- Mt. Hough Ranger District, (530) 283-0555
- Beckwourth Ranger District (530) 836-2575
- Supervisor's Office (530) 283-2050

Or visit the Plumas website, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/plumas>. For campground reservations at selected sites, call (877) 444-6777, or visit the website, [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov).

Take advantage of summer-like conditions but be prepared for cool nighttime temperatures and variable weather. As always, completely distinguish campfires with water and keep pets leashed. Leaving campgrounds in good condition for those to follow makes for a memorable recreation experience.

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**Key points:**

- 1) Several Plumas National Forest campgrounds are open for the Memorial Day weekend, but make plans soon.**
- 2) Extinguish campfires completely; leashed pets welcome.**