

Make a Splash!

From the clear waters of Shasta and Trinity lakes to wild rivers, high alpine lakes, and the white slopes of Mt. Shasta, you can find a place to get away on the waters of the Shasta-Trinity NF. The forest and its partners are leaders in managing use to ensure quality recreation experiences as the surrounding population grows. No matter where you go, you can find a place for escape and renewal on the Shasta-T.

Forest-wide Settings, Special Places, and Values:

The Shasta-Trinity National Forest ranges in elevation from 1000' at Shasta Dam to over 14,000' at the top of Mt. Shasta. The forest encompasses five wilderness areas, the wild and scenic Trinity River, four scenic byways, 154 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail, over 600 miles of shoreline and over 6,000 miles of streams and rivers. The forest has over a thousand miles of trails that access outstanding Wilderness and backcountry recreation opportunities. Thousands of miles of rivers and streams and hundreds of lakes, large and small, provide a wide range of fishing opportunities. Large expanses of open space offer a sense of freedom and room to roam. The forest is pivotal in the economical, tourism and recreational aspects of Northern California supporting jobs for the local economy, providing business opportunities for outfitter-guides and other permittees, and enhancing the quality of life for residents of communities in and around the forest.

Large Lakes – This setting contains the reservoirs of the NRA. Opportunities for extended stays on the lakes, getting away from the crowds, and spending time with friends and family are found here.

Scenic Corridors – This setting includes corridors along rivers and scenic byways. Visitors have opportunities for adventure on the water and enjoying the scenic views, wildlife and history of these corridors.

Mt. Shasta – Mt. Shasta Wilderness and the lower slopes of the mountain. Visitors have opportunities to challenge themselves as well as connect with the spiritual qualities of Mt. Shasta.

Wilderness – This setting includes designated wilderness areas with opportunities for finding solitude, discovering self-reliance, and exploring rugged terrain.

Roaded Backcountry – Off-the-beaten-path areas accessed by more rugged roads. Visitors have room to roam and a sense of freedom in this setting.

Forest-wide Activities/Opportunities/Experiences: Water-based developed camping and fishing. Outfitter-guides, recreation events and concessionaires are an integral part of recreation program delivery. The forest works closely with communities, volunteers and stake holders to maintain the quality of the recreation opportunities and enhance the sense of freedom found on the forest.

Large Lakes – Motorized boating, houseboating, waterskiing, fishing, swimming, waterplay, shoreline camping

Scenic Corridors – Rafting, kayaking, camping, driving for pleasure, viewing scenery and wildlife

Mt. Shasta – Climbing, hiking, mountain biking (outside wilderness), winter sports, spiritual connections

Wilderness – Backpacking, hiking, fishing and equestrian use.

Roaded Backcountry –Boating, hunting, fishing, traditional uses (Christmas tree cutting, firewood gathering, mushroom picking, etc.), dispersed camping, OHV use on designated routes

We'd like to hear from you!

Does this describe the Shasta-Trinity's special recreation niche? If not, what's missing?
