Camping

Family Campsite Reservations Reserve space in Sunol Family Campground by calling 1-888-EBPARKS (1-888-327-2757), option 2. For same-day camping, call 1-888-327-2757, option 3, extension 4559, or visit the park headquarters. The campground is available for families and individuals only. There are no facilities for recreational vehicles or camper vans. Groups may reserve other park facilities by calling 1-888-327-2757, option 2. Vehicles must remain in the campground parking area and display an overnight parking pass on the dashboard. Vehicles outside the park on the posted county road or in other areas in the park may be cited and/or towed at the owner's expense. Services No food, firewood, or ice is available at the park. The nearest services are in the town of Sunol, seven miles from the park entrance. The park has a horse ride concession. For reservations and information, call Western Trail Riding Services at (925) 862-9044.

Travel Hints
• Water in the backpack area is supplied by developed springs, which are subject to drought conditions. Check with park staff for current conditions. The Park District recommends boiling, filtration, or chemical treatment of water before consuming. Enjoy your backpack trip without taking unnecessary chances.
• Leave word with friends on where you are going and when you will return. Obtain a “Backpacking Permit” from the Sunol Regional Wilderness office and sign in when you arrive. It is not wise to travel alone, but if you must, stay on frequently used trails in case of injury or illness.
• Be alert. Poison oak grows throughout this area. Maximum length six feet. Persons with noisy or vicious animals will be required to leave the park. A maximum of 8 persons per single campsite.
• Persons 16-17 years of age must have written consent to camp, signed by a parent or guardian, unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other competent adult leadership. Persons age 15 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian or other competent adult leadership who is at least 21 years of age.
• Quiet hours are from sunset to sunrise. Amplification equipment and electric generators that disturb other campers will not be allowed at any hour.
• All pets shall be contained within a vehicle or tent, or securely leashed and under the immediate control of a person at all times. No open fires are allowed.
• Wood collection is prohibited.
• Ground fires are prohibited. Campers must provide their own fuel. Use provided fire pits or barbecues only. No open fires are allowed.
• No firearms, fireworks, or weapons of any kind are allowed in the park.
• No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the park.
• Park wildlife and geologic features must not be collected or harmed by people or pets.
• Pets: No dogs in overnight camps. Dogs are from sunset to sunrise. Amplification equipment and electric generators that disturb other campers will not be allowed at any hour.
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Backpack Area Rules
Backpackers are expected to know and abide by the general campground rules listed at left, in addition to the following:
• Permits and reservations: Reservations are required to use the backpack area. The area is set up so that individuals, families, or small groups may use it. Individuals 18 years and younger must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or adult leader age 21 or older. Groups of 15 or more must make reservations two weeks in advance. To make reservations, phone 1-888-EBPARKS (1-888-327-2757), option 2.
• Hike-in only: The staging area gates are locked at dusk; plan to arrive and sign in before then. Any cars parked outside the park are on posted county roads and may be ticketed and/or towed at the owner's expense.
• Camp waste: Pack out what you pack in—cans, bottles, plastic, etc. Burying is not satisfactory as animal and frost action exposes the buried refuse.
• This is a watershed area: Use toilets provided. Do not put any trash or garbage in toilets.
• No Fires: Be prepared to show your campstove when you sign in, or to show that all of your food is not intended for cooking.
• The building of "structures" is not permitted. These include structures such as rock walls, fireplaces, bough beds, tables, and storage caches.
• Pets: No dogs in overnight camps. Dogs are permitted on the backpack area—it is a rigorous, three-plus-mile hike, depending on which campsite you are using.

Human Imprints
This general area was settled in the 1860s as small cattle ranches and subsistence farms. The East Bay Regional Park District acquired this area in 1961. Your presence has an impact on the habitat and could detract from the plants' and animals' environment. Tread lightly on the scene. As much as possible, avoid leaving your mark. Nature will replenish and perpetuate itself if given a chance. Being on the northern edge of several hundred square miles of open space, Sunol is a window to wildlife. Mountain lions, bobcats, and coyotes still hunt. Golden eagles, hawks, and falcons still find freedom to soar. Sunol's 35 miles of riding and hiking trails allow you entry into their domain. Regional Parks rules and regulations are designed to protect the habitat of this wildlife and to preserve the serenity and natural beauty that calls many of us into backpacking.

POLICE, FIRE, MEDICAL EMERGENCY.............9-1-1
EBRPD Police Department..............(510) 881-1833
Sunol Information............1-888-327-2757, option 3, x4559
EBRPD Headquarters..............1-888-EBPARKS (1-888-327-2757)
Reservations Information..............1-888-EBPARKS (1-888-327-2757) option 2

Note: The Family Campground is temporarily CLOSED to accommodate construction activities by the S.F. Water Department to improve the Calaveras Reservoir.
**Permit/Map, and sign-in at trailheads** is required for use of the Ohlone Wilderness Trail where it crosses San Francisco Water Department lands as it connects Mission Peak, Sunol, Ohlone, and Del Valle Regional Parks. Permit/Map is available for $2 at Sunol and Del Valle Regional Park entrance kiosks and for $4 by mail. Send your name, address, phone number, and a check for $4 (made out to EBRPD) to Ohlone Wilderness Trail Permit, 2950 Peralta Oak Court, P.O. Box 5381, Oakland, CA 94605-0381. The Permit/Map allows foot and equestrian day-use only. Separate arrangements must be made for overnight camping; call 1-888-EBPARKS (1-888-327-2757) option 2.

**Fees and Charges**

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**Group Camping**: $14/person/site/night

**Reservations Fee**, per site: $8

**Parking Fee**, motor vehicle: $5

**Second Vehicle**: $5

**Parking Fee**, trailer: $4

**Dog Fee** (each per day; guide dog/service animal free)

(No Dogs in Backpack Camps; Dogs OK in Family Campground) $2

**2015 – Fees are subject to change.**

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### Sunol Family Campground (temporarily closed)

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### Sunol Backpack Campground

#### Backpack Campsites

- **Sycamore** – Good view of Alameda Creek canyon. Very shady. Up to 5 persons.
- **Stars Rest** – Good view of Alameda Creek canyon and Mission Peak. Up to 30 persons.
- **Hawk's Nest** – Excellent view of Alameda Creek canyon and Oak Ridge. Up to 5 persons.
- **Eagles Eyrie** – Excellent view of Alameda Creek canyon and Oak Ridge. Up to 10 persons.
- **Sky Camp** – Magnificent view of Alameda Creek canyon and Oak Ridge. Up to 3 persons.
- **Cathedral Camp** – Densely shaded. Cool in summer. Up to 5 persons.
- **Oak View** – Excellent view of lower Alameda Creek canyon and Mission Peak. Up to 5 persons.

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### To Reach the Park

**From Fremont**, drive north on I-680 to the Calaveras Road/Highway 84 exit. Turn right onto Sunol Road, then left on Geary Road, which leads into the park.

**From Oakland/Berkeley**, drive east on I-580 to I-680 in Pleasanton/Dublin. Go south on I-680 to the Calaveras Road/Highway 84 exit. Turn left on Calaveras Road, then left on Geary Road, which leads into the park.

**From Walnut Creek/Danville**, drive south on I-680 to Calaveras Road/Highway 84 exit. Turn left on Calaveras Road, then left on Geary Road, which leads into the park.

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**Fence keeps cattle out of camp area. PLEASE HELP US BY CLOSING THE GATE BEHIND YOU.**