

Pine Mountain and Reyes Peak Campgrounds



Ojai Ranger District Los Padres National Forest

Welcome to Pine Mountain and Reyes Peak Campgrounds where you can enjoy pine trees and breathtaking views of the ocean and the Cuyama Badlands.

Pine Mountain Campground is nestled in a small valley along the top of Pine Mountain. At an elevation of 6,650 feet it offers cooler temperatures on hot summer days. The campground is surrounded by moderate hills and is a quiet place for relaxing.

Reyes Peak Campground at an elevation of 7,000 feet is situated along a ridge. You can see the Cuyama Badlands on one side and the ocean from the other side. On clear days you can even see some of the Channel Islands!

To get to Pine Mountain and Reyes Peak, take Highway 33 to the turnoff at Pine Mountain Summit. The turnoff is 33.2 miles from the Ojai Ranger Station. Turn right and follow the partially paved road another 4.7 miles. Pine Mountain Campground will be to your right. If you wish to continue to Reyes Peak, follow the road for another mile. From the Ojai Ranger Station, Pine Mountain is 38 miles and Reyes Peak 39 miles.



Reyes Peak Campground

weekends, although summer weekdays usually have space available. All campsites are on a first come, first served basis.

Campground Fees

Pine Mountain and Reyes Peak Campgrounds are designated as High Impact Recreation Areas. Therefore, visitors must possess valid National Forest Adventure Passes, Interagency Annual Pass, Senior or Access Interagency Pass to visit these campgrounds. Other designated high impact areas of the Angeles, Cleveland, Los Padres and San Bernardino National Forests also require these passes. The Passes must be displayed on vehicles. The Adventure Pass is available in two forms: a Daily Pass for \$5.00 and an Annual Pass, good for one year from month of purchase for \$30.00.

A Pass is not required for vehicles parked in an area covered by a site specific use fee or if stopping for information at Ranger stations, visitor centers and other Forest Service offices.

Funds generated from the Pass are used to maintain and improve recreation sites, facilities and services, and to protect Forest resources and wildlife habitat.

Points of Interest

Pine Mountain - Explore the area on your own or hike the Boulder Canyon Trail. You might also want to walk around the surrounding hills to see the views and the trees. You can pick out the Jeffrey pine trees by the vanilla scent of their bark.

Reyes Peak - There are three trails to hike. **Chorro Grande Trail** is just past the last campsite on the south side of the road. It will lead to you south to Chorro Springs before dropping down to Highway 33. The distance is 5 miles. The climb back up is very steep. **Raspberry Spring Trail** will lead you north on a short one-half mile walk through the pines. It is a moderately



Pine Mountain Campground

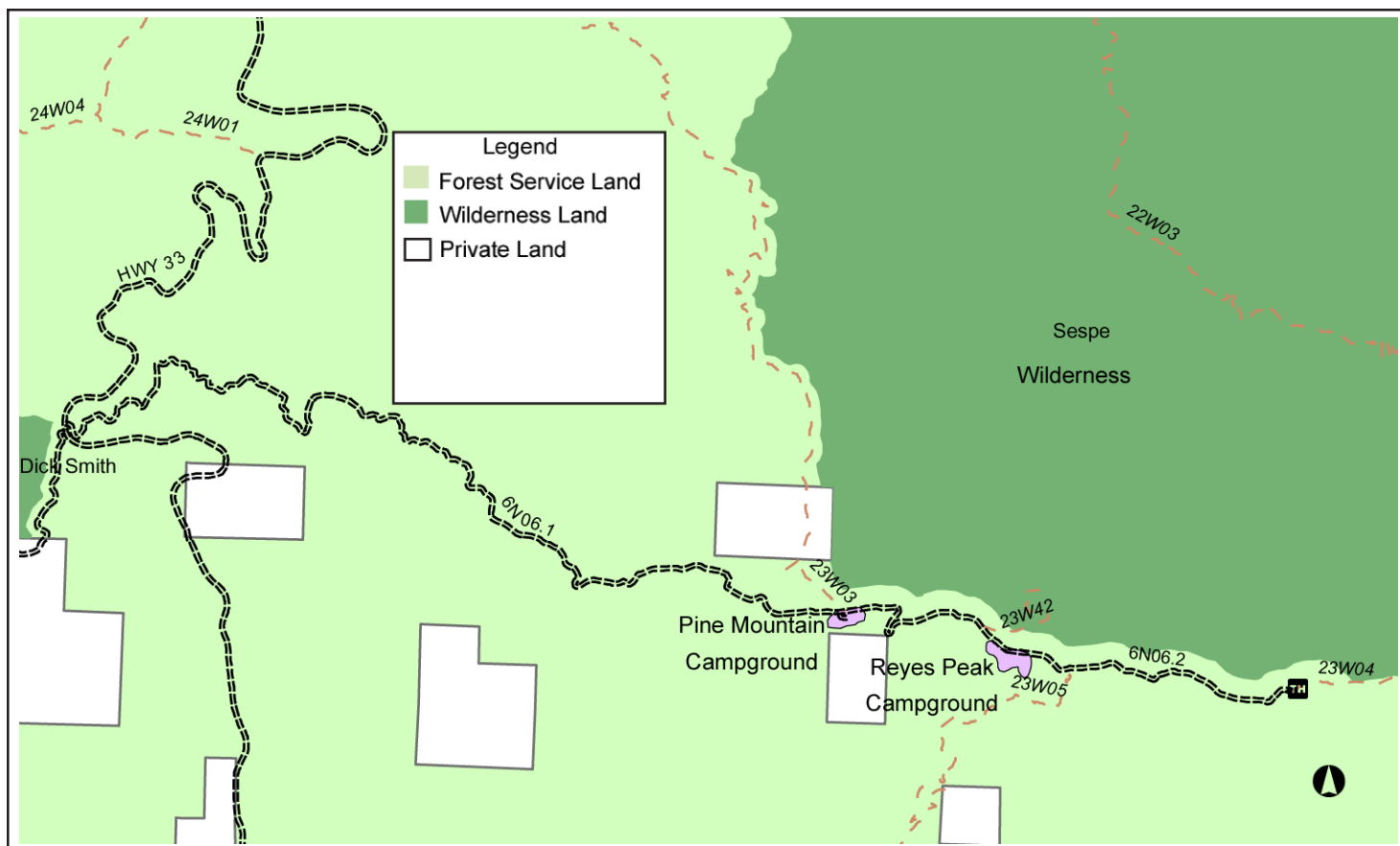
Facilities

Pine Mountain Campground consists of six campsites fashioned in a circle with a large open area in the middle. There are tables, BBQ grills or fire rings, and one pit toilet at this campground.

Water is not available so please bring plenty of water for your stay.

Reyes Peak Campground consists of six campsites located along the southwest side of a ridge. Each campsite contains a table, BBQ grill, and a fire ring. There is one pit toilet located near the first few campsites. **Water is not available** so please bring plenty of water for your stay.

Both campgrounds are typically at or near capacity on summer



steep hike. It starts at the parking area on the western edge of the campground. The trailhead of the **Reyes Peak Trail** is at the end of the road near the vault toilet. This trail is moderately difficult. It leads eastward into the Sespe Wilderness for 5.8 miles to the Gene Marshall-Piedra Blanca National Recreation Trail. Remember, mountain bikes are not allowed in the wilderness.

Vegetation

You will find Jeffrey pine, sugar pine, and white fir trees at these campgrounds. Along the outskirts, you'll notice such chaparral species as manzanita, California sage and scrub oak. Wildflowers are abundant in the spring and early summer and you will be dazzled by lupine, false lupine, scarlet bugler, and many others.

Wildlife

Keep your eyes open for red-tailed hawks soaring above the trees. If you are lucky, you may see a California condor! Other birds in the area include woodpeckers, and chickadees. Deer, bears, and coyotes also live in the area.

Winter/Summer Use

During the winter, the road to both campgrounds is closed to vehicles for public safety and for resource protection because of heavy snowfall.

Fire Use

Both Campgrounds are "Campfire Use Sites." Campfires are permitted year around without a California Campfire Use Permit. Under some conditions, wood fires and barbecues may be prohibited in *all* areas of the national forest, including Campfire Use Sites. Check with the Ojai District Office or the forest website to see if any fire restrictions are in place. Fires at Pine Mountain and Reyes Peak Campgrounds are only permitted in fire rings provided by the Forest Service.

Pack In/Pack Out

Reduced budgets have forced a reduction in maintenance services at these campgrounds. Please help us by packing out all of your trash to leave the area clean for the next user.

Dwarf Mistletoe

You may see signs of some selective pruning or occasional tree cutting. Please do not attempt to do any cutting of your own. Special use permits are required to collect any forest products.

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