

# Rose Valley Campground

## Ojai Ranger District

### Los Padres National Forest



Welcome to Rose Valley Campground, elevation 3,450 feet, where the chaparral covered mountains and the Rose Valley Falls await you. At Rose Valley, you can enjoy a day of hiking or visit or fish at the three small lakes which are periodically stocked with trout. To get here, follow Highway 33 north of Ojai for 14.7 miles to the Rose Valley Road turnoff. Turn right and follow the paved road for another 3.1 miles. Turn right again at the Rose Valley Campground sign which is across from the lower lake. Follow this road for 0.6 miles into Rose Valley Campground. Watch out for rough sections of road.

#### Facilities

There are nine campsites located in a single loop in the Rose Valley Campground. Tables, BBQ grills, and/or fire rings are provided at each campsite. There is one vault toilet in the campground and another across from the lake. **Water is not available** so please bring your own water or you may filter or boil water from the creek



#### Points of Interest

The trail to the spectacular Rose Valley Falls begins at the southwest area of the campground. It is only a short 1/2 mile to the base of the falls. The cliffs at the falls are arkosic sandstone and crumble easily. Please do not climb on steep sections or get close to the edge.

If you would like to go fishing, the lakes are close by, but **make sure you have your fishing license!** Contact a local tackle shop or call the California Department of Fish and Game at (562) 594-7268 for stocking information.

#### Adventure Pass

Rose Valley Campground is part of the Rose Valley Lake High Impact Recreation Area. Therefore, visitors must possess valid National Forest Adventure Passes, Inter-agency 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.

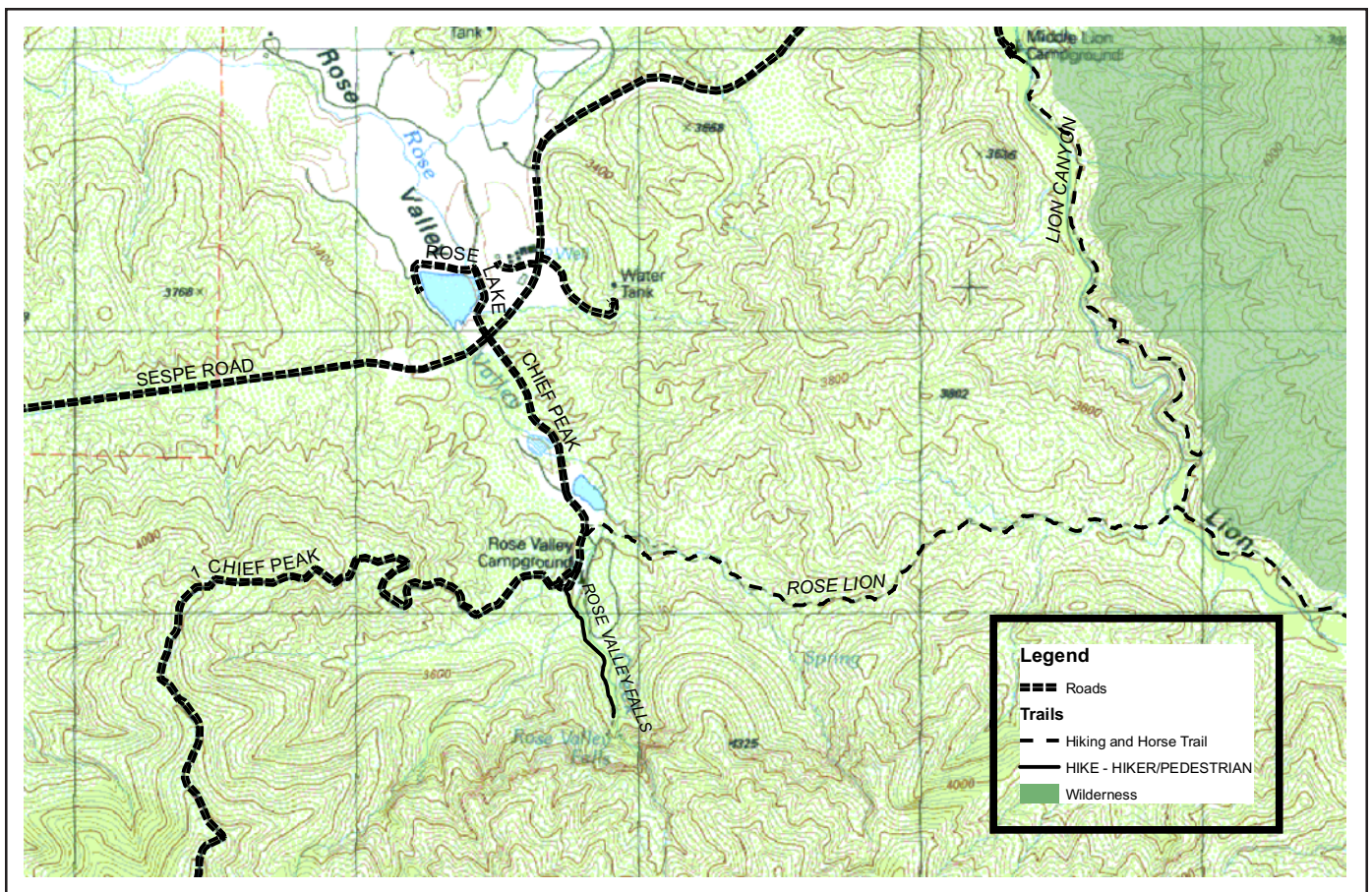
#### Vegetation

Some of the campsites are shaded by cottonwood trees and there are a few small pine trees in the center of the campground. Other plants include toyon, chamise, and sage. Toyon is especially beautiful in the fall and winter with its bright red berries. In the spring Rose Valley is abloom with wild rose and poppies.

#### Wildlife

If you are lucky, you may see coyotes, deer, bobcats, mountain lions or bears which all live in this area. However, you are more likely to see frogs and toads, ducks swimming on the lake or red-tailed hawks soaring high above.





### Winter/Summer Use

Rose Valley Campground is open year round if road conditions permit. If you would like to spend some quiet time here, you may want to come in the fall or winter when there are fewer visitors. Campsite availability throughout the year is on a first come, first served basis.

### Pack In/Pack Out

Reduced budgets have forced a cutback 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.

### Fire Use

Campfires are permitted year around in Rose Valley Campground without a California Campfire Use Permit, but only in the fire rings provided by the Forest Service. However, under some conditions, wood fires and barbecues may be prohibited in all areas of the Los Padres National Forest, including Rose Valley Campground. Check with the Ojai District Office or the forest website to see if fire restrictions are in place.

### Nordhoff Road

At the south end of the campground is a dirt road with a locked gate. The road, operated under a permit system, climbs steeply up to Nordhoff Ridge and Chief Peak. A maximum of 20 vehicle permits are issued per day and are limited to 4-wheel drive vehicles. All vehicles using this road must display valid Adventure Passes. For reservations and permits, contact the Ojai Ranger Station.

Non-motorized travel is allowed without a permit.

### For Additional Information Contact:

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