



State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation
Sierra District
Order No. 683-25-009

LAKE VALLEY STATE RECREATION AREA SUPERINTENDENT ORDER

Prohibited/Closed Areas: On the lands and facilities which are under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Parks and Recreation known as Lake Valley State Recreation Area and Lake Tahoe Golf Course, no person shall enter the property boundaries without prior permission from this Department and/or the golf course staff. This includes areas between golf holes, cart paths and the pedestrian bridges across the Upper Truckee River.

Horses: Pursuant to CCR 4359, horses and other pack animals are limited to areas designated as allowed by authority of the Department. At this Park, no areas have been designated for horses or other pack animals.

Fire Restrictions: No fires, charcoal grills, or camp stoves are allowed at this park other than those used for cooking by the operator of the golf course concession.

Model Aircraft and Unmanned Aerial Systems: Model aircraft and Unmanned (unoccupied) Aerial Systems (UAS or "drones") are an emergent technology that can have a negative impact on Park resources and public safety and are generally inconsistent with the park experience. Due to the dramatic growth and popularity of model aircraft and UAS, and based on concerns related to wildlife, aesthetics, visitor safety and privacy, and fire hazards, the following lands and facilities located within the Sierra District are restricted as follows:

No person shall launch, land, or operate a powered unmanned (unoccupied) aircraft or unmanned (unoccupied) aerial system (UAS) within **any** State Park unit owned or operated as part of the Sierra District of California State Parks.

I the District Superintendent, or my specifically named designee, may grant exemptions to this order as determined to be necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of its visitors, employees, and resources. Exceptions to this order **may** include:

- Use by trained law enforcement for public safety purposes
- Use by media outlets
- Non-commercial use upon completion of the park unit's special event permit application and applicable FAA compliance
- Scientific research with appropriate FAA registration and Park unit permits

If any exception is granted, as described above, all UAS/Drone equipment must be made available for inspection of safety compliance at the time of application. All exemptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing. Requests for exemptions may be made by contacting the District Superintendent.

I, the District Superintendent, or my specifically named designee, may grant exceptions to this order as determined to be necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of visitors, employees and resources. All exceptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing by the Sierra District Superintendent at P.O. Box 266, Tahoma, CA 96142.

Nothing herein shall be construed in derogation of other provisions of law, existing contracts or property rights previously granted.

These orders have been posted pursuant to the California Code regulations, Title 14, Section 4301(i).

Signed:  Date: 5/9/2025
Rich Adams
District Superintendent
Sierra District

Authority: California Public Resources Code Sections 5003 and 5008, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 4326, CCR 4300, 4301, CCR 4323, CCR 4326, 4317, 4360, 4455, 4457, 4358, 4660