


**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
COLORADO DESERT DISTRICT OPERATIONAL DIRECTIVE
CDD-002-14**

SUBJECT: Cuyamaca Rancho Equestrian Campground Facilities Procedures

REFERENCE: Department Operations Manual 1800 (Ref. 1492.2 Class "H" Camp Units)
Departmental Notice No 2006-05 Accessible Campsite Policy (DOM 1800)

ISSUED: November 3, 2014

EXPIRES: When Revoked

APPROVED: 
Dan Falat, District Superintendent

PURPOSE: The purpose of this directive is to clarify the operating procedures for Los Vaqueros Equestrian Group Camp and the Green Valley Family Equestrian Campground Loop. The processes outlined below will allow for preferred use of the above equestrian campground facilities, by equestrians (Campers with equine/stock present) while maximizing the recreational camping opportunities to the visiting public as a whole.

DEFINITION: The following campground areas are affected by this Directive:

- **Los Vaqueros Equestrian Group Camp**- may accommodate a maximum 80 persons, 45 horses, and 50 vehicles with a max vehicle length of 50'.
- **Green Valley Family Equestrian Camping Loop**- hosts a total of fifteen individual campsites which may accommodate a maximum of 8 persons and 2 horses per site.

PROCESS: In order to meet the needs of the visiting public all Colorado Desert District staff will follow the procedures outlined below.

Los Vaqueros Group Camp

The Los Vaqueros Equestrian Group Camp will be reserved utilizing the Department's contracted reservation system or through the District's Special Events office.

Priority for use of the Los Vaqueros Group Camp shall be as follows:

1. Reservations made through the Department's contracted reservation system.
2. Permits approved through the District's Special Events office shall not be granted if the group camp has been reserved through the Department's reservation system for the same dates or times.

Green Valley Family Equestrian Campground Loop

The Green Valley Family Equestrian Campground Loop campsites may be reserved utilizing the Department's contracted reservation system, through the District's Special Events office, or purchased on a first-come/first-served ("Walk-up") basis.

The District will accept all reservations for the Green Valley Equestrian Campground Loop through the Department's contracted reservation system. The reservation process requires the person making a reservation acknowledge equine will be present during the stay. The District shall rely on the information provided by the person making the reservation that all information is correct at the time the reservation is made.

The District also reserves the right to accept reservations for individual camp sites or the entire campground loop through the Special Event process.

Priority for use of Green Valley Family Equestrian Loop shall be the following:

1. Reservations made through the Department's contracted reservation system where the person or group making the reservation has stated they will be travelling with equine or stock.
2. Permits approved through the District's Special Events office. No permit shall be granted if the site has been reserved through the reservation system for the same dates or times.
3. Unreserved and vacant individual Campsites, excluding ADA campsites, may be sold on a first-come/first-served basis only to campers travelling with equine or stock at the established "check-in" time. The site may only be purchased for one-night.
4. Individual Campsites may be sold on a first-come/first-served basis to campers without equine or stock when the campsite has not been reserved and remains vacant until 1700Hrs. The site may only be purchased for one-night.
5. ADA Campsites shall follow the same policy and procedures as outlined in DOM Chapter 1800, Departmental Notice No. 2006-05.

The District Superintendent reserves the right to alter or modify these general guidelines. Ultimate approval for allowances, variances, and modifications rest with the authority of the District Superintendent or designee.

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