

# Undeveloped Camping

Mountain Top Ranger District  
San Bernardino National Forest



**Undeveloped Camping** is camping outside of “developed” sites. Undeveloped camping provides more solitude and an opportunity to “rough it”. Camping is allowed in Remote Areas (Dispersed) and at Yellow Post Sites. There are no toilets, water, trash receptacles or electricity.

## What is Remote Camping?

Remote areas are away from highways and development where camping along back roads or trails is permitted. Drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features, such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions.

## Parking Statement

Motor vehicles may be parked within one vehicle length from the edge of the road surface when it is safe to do so without causing damage to NFS resources or facilities, unless prohibited by state law, a traffic sign, or an order (36 CFR261.54). Parking shall not block traffic or impede fire or emergency vehicles.

Because of year-round fire danger, wood fires and charcoal BBQs are not allowed in remote areas. Chemical or propane stoves may be used if you have a free California Campfire Permit, which may be obtained at a ranger station throughout California.

## General Rules for remote camping:

- No wood or charcoal fires
- Chemical and propane stoves allowed with California Campfire Permit
- Camp at least 200 feet from springs, water, meadows, trails and roads
- Camp at least a quarter-mile from designated campgrounds, picnic areas, trailheads
- Camp at least a quarter-mile from private property and state highways
- Pack out all trash
- Leave no trace

## What are Yellow Post Sites?

Yellow Post Sites are individual campsites within remote areas accessed on Forest Service Roads. They are identified by the presence of a hollow metal post next to an agency/Forest Service provided fire ring and a picnic table at each campsite. A free California Campfire Permit is required for a campfire or barbeque at Yellow Post Sites; Campfires must be constructed within an agency/Forest Service provided campfire rings. Campfires are allowed when Fire Restrictions allow and may be restricted to specific developed sites when the Fire Danger Level is High.

- Sites are available on a first -come, first-serve basis
- Sites are limited to a maximum of 8 persons at any one time
- Sites allow for a maximum of 2 vehicles
- There is no trash service— **PACK IT IN- PACK IT OUT—LEAVE NO TRACE**
- There is no restroom facility; Bury human waste in a 6” deep cat hole outside of campsite
- When campfires are allowed, water and a shovel are required to extinguish your campfire
- Remove any livestock manure from the campsite; tie livestock outside of campsite and use a tie line with “tree savers” to protect trees when tying livestock
- Avoid parking on grasses and vegetation at all times Yellow post campsites have a 14 day camping limit

## Yellow Post Site Locations:

The Big Bear Area has 11 sites.

The Coon Creek/Heart Bar area has 19 sites.

The Keller Peak Road has 9 sites.



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# Mountain Top Ranger District Yellow Post Site Locations

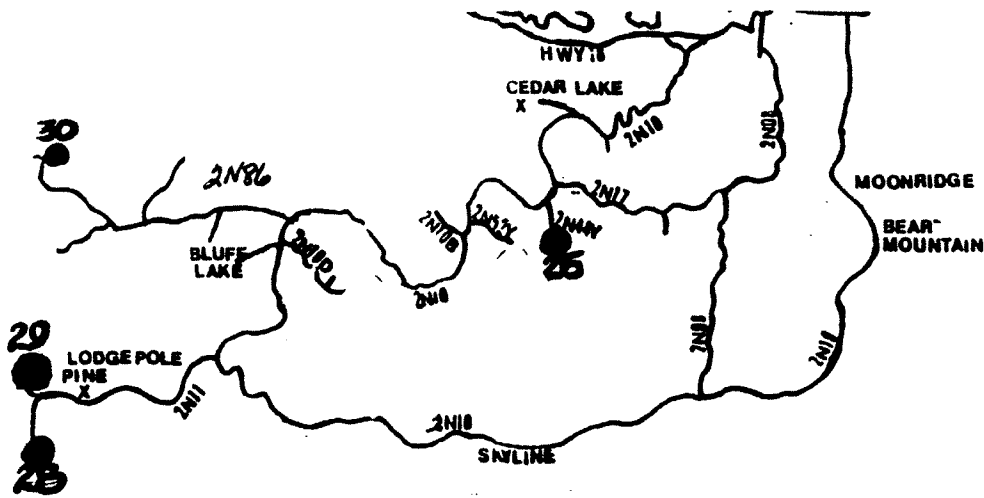
LOCATION	FOREST SERVICE ROAD	APPROX. MILEAGE	GPS COORDINATES
<b><u>BIG BEAR LAKE SOUTH SIDE</u></b>	<b>ACCESS VIA MILL CREEK ROAD TO FS RD 2N10</b>	<b>FROM BB RANGER STATION TO YP SITE</b>	
Site # 25	2N10 (HIKE IN APPROX. 300 FT)	7.2	N34 13.36 W116 56.03
Site # 28	2N11	11.4	N34 12.48. W116 58.49
Site # 29	2N11	11.25	N34 12.56 W116 58.36
Site #30	2N86	10.9	N34 13.53 W116 58.43
<b><u>BIG BEAR LAKE NORTH SIDE</u></b>	<b>ACCESS VIA RIM OF THE WORLD DRIVE TO FS RD 3N14</b>	<b>FROM BB RANGER STATION TO YP SITE</b>	
Site # 5	2N84	5.7	N34 17.28.37 W116 57.42
Site # 6	3N97	9.6	N34 18.34 W117 00.20
Site # 7	3N14 G	10.0	N34 19.06.85 W117 00.24.13
Site # 33	3N12	5.6	N34 17.34.71 W116 57.31.87
Site # 34	3N08	12.2	N34 18.39 W116.57.37
<b><u>BIG BEAR LAKE NORTH SIDE</u></b>	<b>ACCESS VIA POLIQUE CANYON ROAD/ FS ROAD 2N09</b>	<b>FROM BB RANGER STATION TO YP SITE</b>	
Site # 31	2N09F	4	N34 17.14 W116 55.11
<b><u>Big Bear Valley East End</u></b>	<b>ACCESS VIA WILDHORSE/ FS ROAD 2N93</b>	<b>FROM BB RANGER STATION TO YP SITE</b>	
Site # 54	2N93 D	15	N34 12.27 W116.45.33
<b><u>COON CREEK/HEART BAR</u></b>	<b>ACCESS VIA HWY 38 TO FS ROAD 1N02</b>	APPROX 24.7 MILES FROM MILL CREEK WORK STATION TO THE FOREST SERVICE ROAD 1N02	
Sites 1—19	1N02		
<b><u>KELLER PEAK ROAD</u></b>	<b>ACCESS VIA HWY 18 TO KELLER PEAK ROAD/ FS ROAD 1N96</b>	KELLER PEAK ROAD IS EAST OF DEERLICK FIRE STATION & EAST OF RUNNING SPRINGS	
Sites 1-9	1N96		

**Please contact the Big Bear Discovery Center 909-382-2790 or [www.fs.usda.gov/sbnf](http://www.fs.usda.gov/sbnf) for current fire restrictions.**

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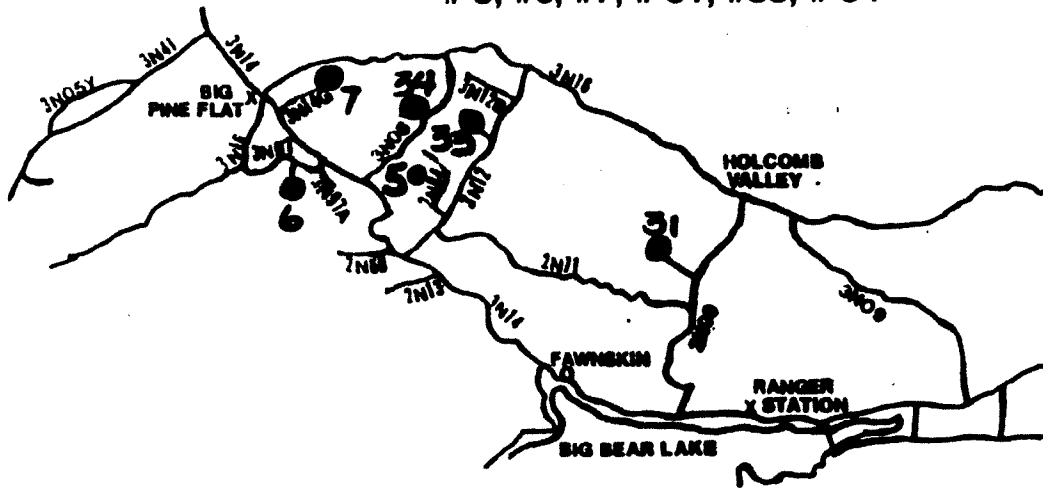
## Yellow Post Sites – South Side of Big Bear Lake

# 25, # 28, #29, # 30



## Yellow Post Sites – North Side of Big Bear Lake

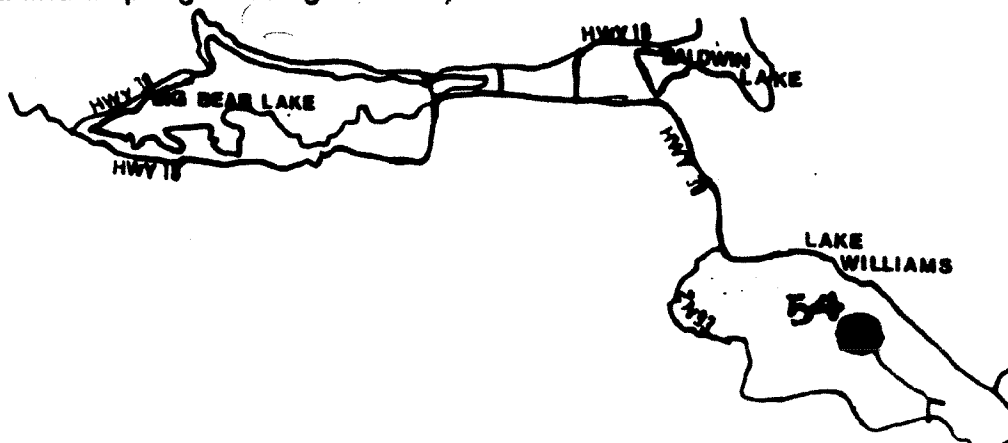
# 5, #6, #7, # 31, #33, # 34



### Yellow Post Site # 54 –

East of end of Big Bear Valley

From the Big Bear Ranger Station, turn left onto Highway 38, North Shore Drive for 3.3 miles. Turn right on Greenway and proceed for .5 mile. At the signal light, turns left and proceed for 1/3 miles to a stop sign. Turn right and continue on Highway 38 for 3.9 miles to Forest Service Road 2N93. Turn right and proceed on 2N93 for 5/0 miles, make a left turn just before the cattle guard. Take the left for 1.0 mile, (you will find a spring crossing the road) to Yellow Post Site # 54.

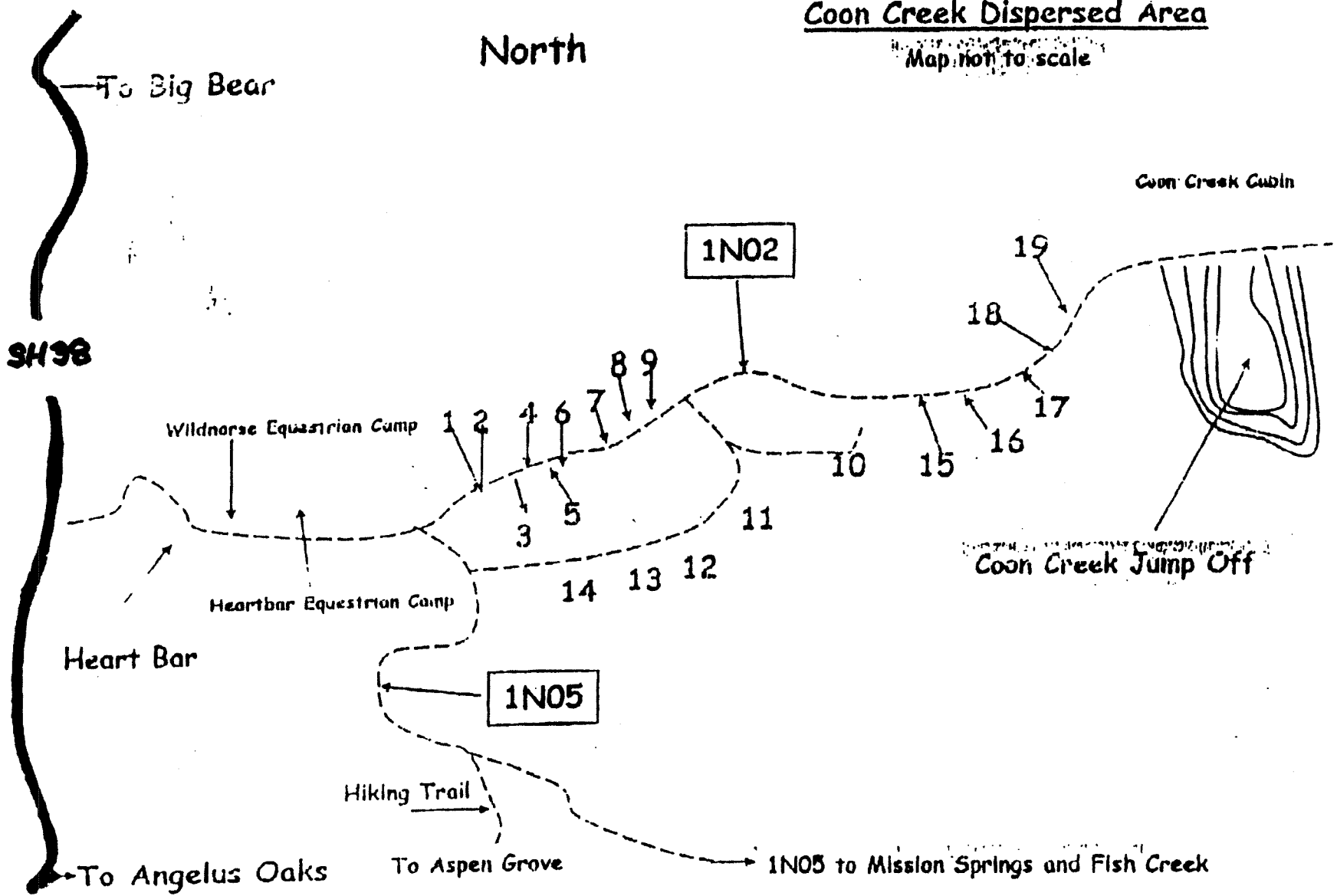


Yellow Post Sites- #1, #2, #3, #4 are closed due to the Butler II Fire

Coon Creek Dispersed Area

Map not to scale

North



To Big Bear

SH98

Wildnorse Equestrian Camp

Heartbar Equestrian Camp

Heart Bar

Coon Creek Cabin

1N02

1N05

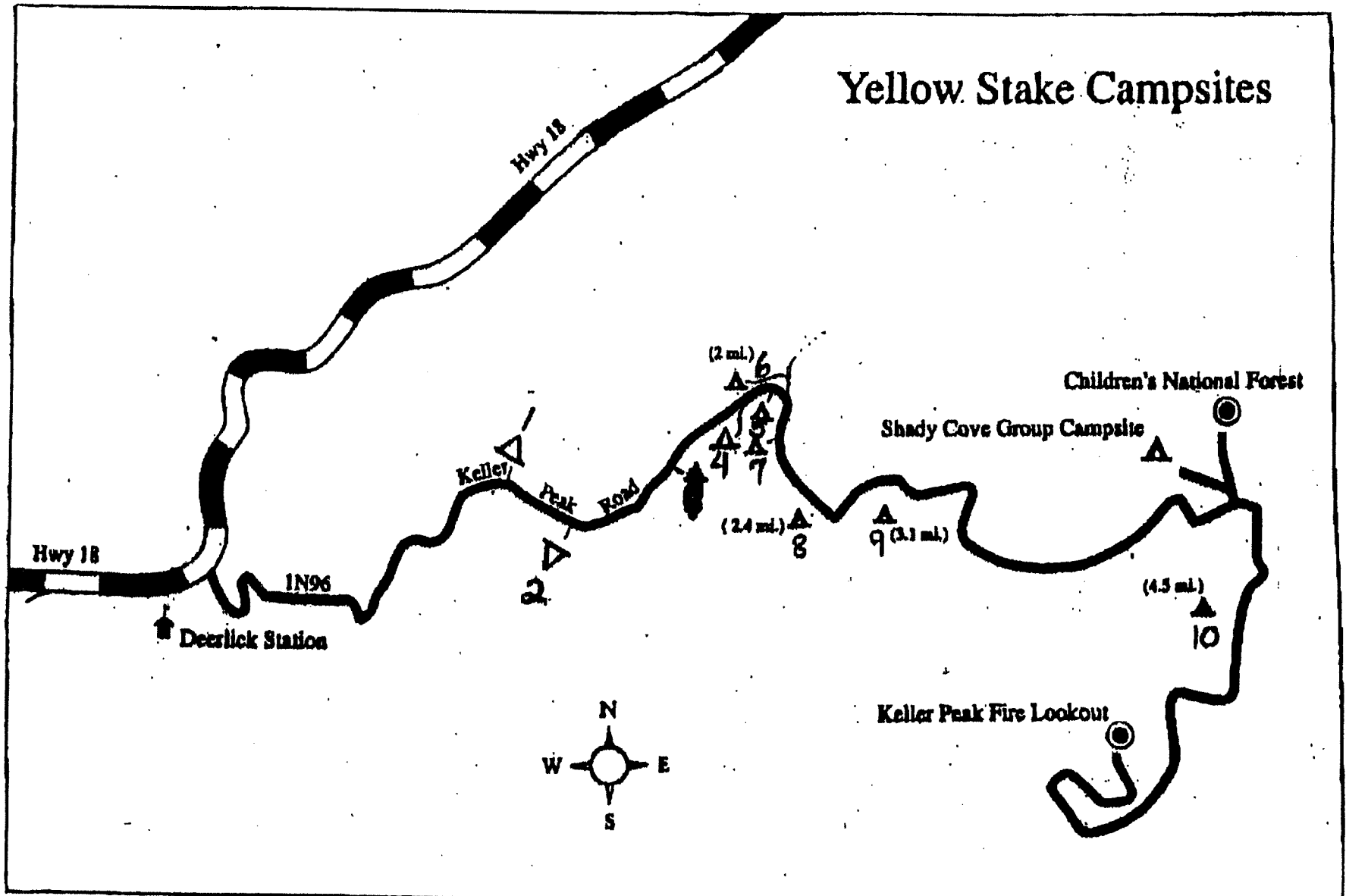
Coon Creek Jump Off

Hiking Trail

To Aspen Grove

1N05 to Mission Springs and Fish Creek

To Angelus Oaks



9- handicapped site