

Recreation This Week – September 14, 2023

News this Week...

- The summer Town Parcels Fuels Reduction Program is underway in the Mammoth Creek area.
- The Reds Meadow Road Reconstruction Project begins September 18.
- This weekend's events include the [Mammoth Yoga Festival](#) and [Mammoth Tuff](#) (Road closure: Canyon Blvd. from Hill St. to Lake Mary Dr. from 5am-10pm).

Youth Fall Programming Update

- [Xtreme Tennis Kids](#): Join Coach Matt and Kerri to improve your tennis game at the Community Center Tennis Courts. For ages 6-18. All skill levels welcome.
- Join us on Tuesday, September 26 at Shady Rest Park from 12:30pm-4:30pm for the annual Parks and Recreation [Bike Rodeo](#)! Head over after school (it's a Minimum Day!) for hot dogs and a safety course, followed by bike races for all ages (Eastern Sierra Balance Bike Classic, Gran Fondue, Short Course Pedal Bike, and the Snail Race). [Online registration](#) is required to participate.
- Registration for Fall Gymnastics (Session 2) will OPEN on Monday, October 2 at 9am. [Online registration](#) is through our [DaySmart Recreation](#) platform.
- Scholarships are available for all programs! [Click here](#) to complete an [online application](#).
- Mammoth Lakes Parks and Recreation is always striving to make our programs as successful and beneficial to participants as possible. To do so, we rely heavily on feedback from past participants. If you participated in one of our 2023 Summer Camps, we would greatly appreciate a moment of your time to complete our [online survey](#). Don't forget to include your contact information for a chance to win a free 2023 camp registration!

Pickleball Complex Project Underway!

- The installation of 6 regulation Pickleball courts on the old ice rink site, adjacent to Mammoth Lakes Library, is now underway.
- The cushioned playing surface has been installed and base painting begun.
- Work is scheduled to be completed next week! Stay tuned for opening details!

Recreation this Week is Moving!

- Recreation This Week will be migrating to a new format. If you want to continue to receive community recreation news, activities and events directly to your inbox, you must create a Profile on [DaySmart](#), our new online Reservation Platform.
- If you already have a profile you are good to go!
- Don't miss a week – [click here](#) to create your personal profile.

Park and Recreation Facilities Update

- Parks and Facilities currently open include: Whitmore Recreation Area (all ball fields and the Synthetic Sports Field & Track), Shady Rest Park (playground, restrooms, ball fields, soccer fields and DiscGolfPark®), Volcom Brothers Skatepark & Little Brothers Skatepark, Trails End Park, Mammoth Creek East restrooms, Community Center Tennis Courts 1-6, Pickleball Courts (Court 1 & 2), restrooms and playground.
- Click [here](#) to view the updated status of Town parks, trails, and facilities.

Work for Parks and Rec!

- Parks and Recreation is currently recruiting for awesome people to join our team:
 - [Parks & Recreation and Public Works Temporary Positions](#)



- To be considered for an open recruitment, all applicants must submit an [online application](#).

Community Recreation

- [Register](#) for the Crowley Lake Fun Run on September 24. All proceeds benefit the local community with active classes, special workshops, and neighborhood improvements.
- Eastern Sierra Interpretative Association offers year-round interpretive walks, hikes, and talks. This summer's offerings include Mono Lakes Bird Walks, Panum Crater Tours, Wildflower Walks and Summer Evening Naturalist Talks. For more information, [please click here](#).
- Mammoth Youth Hockey registration is OPEN for the 2023-24 season. Register by September 15 for early bird pricing. For more information, or to register, please [click here](#).

Mono County Behavioral Health - 2023 Fall Wellness Calendar

Mammoth Lakes: September-December 2023

Latin Heritage Month Celebration

- Friday, September 15, 2023
- Mammoth Middle School MPR
- 5:30 - 7:00pm
- Food, crafts, resources, and music

Sunday Senior Doughnut Drop-In

- Every Sunday
- 8:00 - 10:00am
- Various Locations Join us for coffee, a light breakfast, community, and conversation on Sunday mornings.
 - First Sunday: Looney Bean
 - Second Sunday: Stellar Brew
 - Third Sunday: Black Velvet Coffee
 - Fourth Sunday: Mammoth Coffee Roasters

Yoga and Guided Meditation

- Every Tuesday & Thursday
- 1:30 - 2:45pm
- Sierra Wellness Center, 181 Sierra Manor Road #4
- Yin yoga, a passive practice, focuses on opening the hip joints and spine for increased range and more effective movement.

Circulo De Mujeres

- Every Tuesday
- 5:00 - 6:30pm
- Sierra Wellness Center, 181 Sierra Manor Road #4
- Circulo de Mujeres es un grupo gratuito en español en el cuál 2mist aprendizaje, 2mistad, sanación, superacion personal y alegría.

Open Space Hang

- Every Wednesday
- 6:00 - 8:00pm
- Sierra Wellness Center, 181 Sierra Manor Road #4,
- Join us for a sober evening of games, music, and community.

Clubhouse Live

- Every Friday
- 3:30 - 5:00pm
- Sierra Wellness Center, 181 Sierra Manor Road #4, Mammoth Lakes
- Free drop-in afterschool program for middle and high school aged students to hang out, eat some snacks, work on homework, and play games.

LBGTQIA+ Community Potluck - Fall

- Every 3rd Sunday
- 5:00 - 7:00pm
- Sierra Wellness Center, 181 Sierra Manor Road #4,
- Community potluck, discussion, and support

Trail Days – Annual Lakes Basin Clean Up

- Join Mammoth Lakes Trail System and Mammoth Lakes Recreation on Saturday, September 23 at the Horseshoe Lake Trailhead at 9am to celebrate the summer of stewardship and all your hard work!
- In conjunction with the Great Sierra River Clean Up – one of the largest volunteer days in the state – we will work to keep our Sierra waterways clean from waste and pollutants.

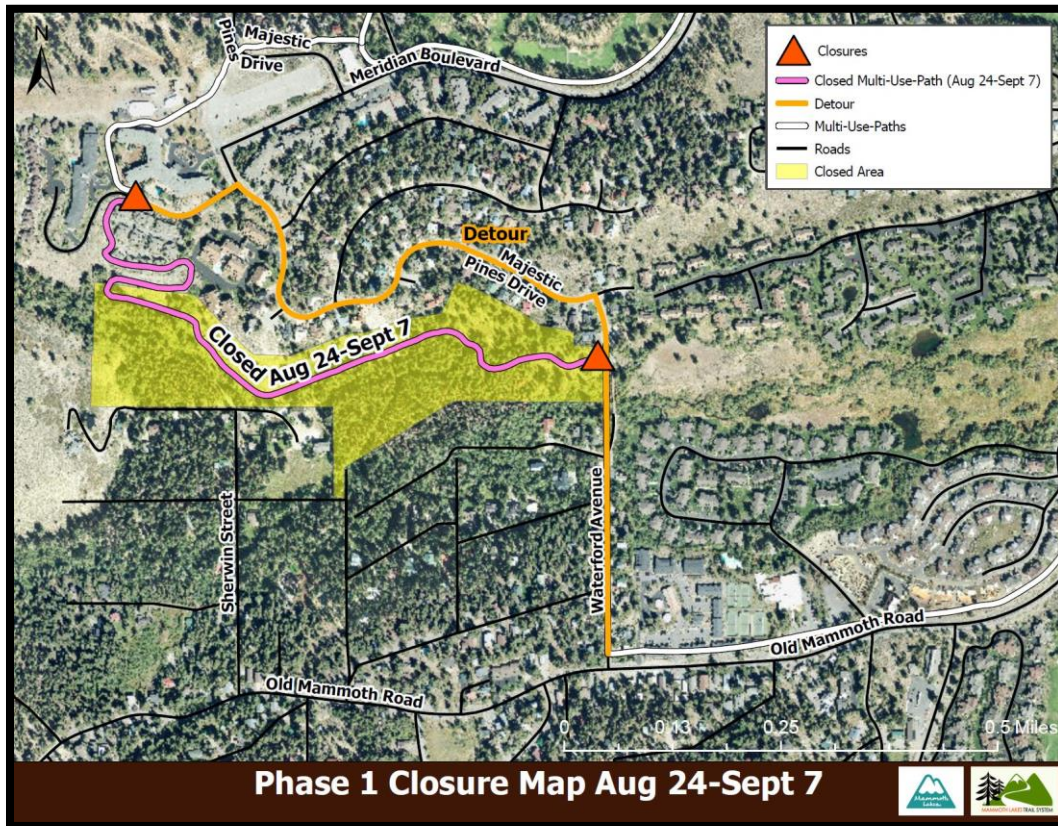
Inyo National Forest Over Now Vehicle Use Designation

- The U.S. Forest Service - Inyo National Forest has released a proposed action for Over-Snow Vehicle (OSV) use, which is now available for public comment. “This project will officially designate system roads, trails, and areas where OSV use will be allowed. Although the proposed action is very similar to the current OSV management on the Forest, there are some proposed modifications to consider changing conditions and minimize impacts on natural, cultural, and recreational resources.”
- The U.S. Forest Service has scheduled two open houses, one in-person and one virtual, and invites the community to participate.
- September 20, 2023: 1:00pm-2:30pm ([virtual](#))
- September 21, 2023: 6:00pm-8:00pm (Mammoth Lakes Community Center, 1000 Forest Trail)
- To view the proposed action or for more information, please visit the [Inyo National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle \(OSV\) Use Designation Project Page](#).
- Mammoth Lakes Town Council is very interested in hearing from you, the recreation users, regarding any thoughts you may have on the subpart C proposed action, with a focus on the areas immediately adjacent to the Town of Mammoth Lakes. If you have questions, comments, or want to relay your feelings, please reach out to [Outdoor Recreation Manager, Lawson Reif](#).
- Additionally, please join the Mammoth Trails Committee on **Thursday, October 12 at 3pm in Suite Z** to review and discuss the proposed action. For more information on the Mammoth Trails Committee visit the [Mammoth Lakes Recreation governance page](#) or email info@mammothlakesrecreation.org

Summer Town Parcels Fuels Reduction Program is Underway!

- Through Friday, September 29, sections of the multi-use path (MUP) will be closed between the Waterford Bridge and Juniper Springs Lodge for fuels reduction. Please review the [project maps](#) for scheduled closures and detours. In the interest of public safety, please stay out of the project area for your safety and the safety of the crews.

- The planned fuels reduction work managed by the Whitebark Institute is a program of the Eastern Sierra Climate and Communities Resilience Project (ESCCRP), also known as the “Mammoth Donut Project.”
- Treatment work includes the removal of live, dead, and infested trees that will help us maintain this beautiful place for years to come. While things may look different the next time you visit this area, this is important work for the health, safety and resilience of our forest. Throughout the rest of the fall, fuel reduction efforts will also take place on two other parcels in Mammoth Lakes so stay tuned for more information.
- You can find more information on the project by visiting <https://www.eswildfirealliance.org/>



Reds Meadow Road Reconstruction Project Begins September 18

- The Reds Meadow Road construction project is scheduled to commence on Monday, September 18, 2023.
- A **Full Closure** (emergency and administrative traffic only) will be in place Monday through Friday between 7:00am – 5:30pm. Other times, regular visitor vehicles are allowed.
- The road will open to the public on Saturday and Sunday ONLY.

DAY USERS:

- The road will be closed by official closure order during the day due to the contractor blasting rock. Do not attempt to hike or bike the road or the Starkweather Trail. The blasting will impact the trail and it will not be safe to take.
- The ESTA shuttle service ends on Sunday, September 10.

OVERNIGHT USERS:

- [Devils Postpile National Monument](#) will remain closed during construction.
- [Forest Service-managed campgrounds](#) in Reds Meadow will close on September 17.
 - vehicles will only be allowed to enter/exit before 7:00am and after 5:30pm.

- Please plan backpacking trips in accordance with the reconstruction schedule and be prepared for delays (i.e., extra food and supplies). Consider alternative trails and resupplies.
- Please visit the dedicated USFS Reds Meadow Reconstruction Project [website](#) for additional information.

Mammoth Mountain Summer Activities

- Discovery Chair (11) Panorama Lower, and Panorama Upper operate from 9AM-4:30PM for mountain biking. The last ride up to the Summit for mountain bikers is at 4PM. The Bike Park Shuttle from The Village operates from 9AM-4:30PM. The last shuttle from The Village is at 4:30PM.
- Uphill Beach Cruiser is now open for the season.
- The Lakes Basin Overlook, Main Lodge Trail from McCoy Station, Mammoth Mountain Hiking Trail and Minaret Vista Trail are open for [hiking](#).
- If you are going backpacking but have scented items in your car, there are lockers for rent at Main Lodge. Locker tokens can be purchased for \$5 from the token machine with exact change and the items can be left in the locker for the entirety of the backpacking trip. The Main Lodge building is accessible from 6AM-6PM daily.
- [Scenic rides](#) are available from 9AM-4:30PM with the last ride from the bottom at 4PM for a ride around only.

Upcoming Special Events

- Sept. 14-17: [Mammoth Yoga Festival](#)
- Sept. 16: [Mammoth Tuff](#)
- Sept. 16: [Sierra Nevada Concert](#)
- Sept. 21-24: [Mammoth Trail Fest](#)
- Sept. 23: [Annual Lakes Basin Clean Up](#)
- Sept. 24: [Crowley Lake Trail Run](#)
- Sept. 26: [Bike Rodeo](#)
- October 5-9: [Obstacle Course Racing World Championships](#)
- [Click here](#) to view the Mammoth Lakes Events Calendar.