

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
July 1, 2019
Colorado Desert District
Anza-Borrego Desert State Park®



Primitive Camping

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S ORDER NUMBER:

940-005-14

1. Primitive camping (as defined in California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title XIV, 4451) is allowed in the backcountry areas of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park® under the following conditions:
 - A. In the park's eight (8) designated primitive camps as listed on the park map (Arroyo Salado, Blair Valley, Culp valley, Fish Creek, Mountain Palm Springs, Sheep Canyon, Yaqui Pass, and Yaqui Well.)
 - B. Along the park's designated dirt roads where vehicles must be parked no more than one (1) car length off a given road where it will not disturb natural features.
 - C. In road less areas where a camper may travel on foot.
2. In all cases, campfires must be kept inside a camp stove or in a metal container provided by the camper with a bottom and sides.
3. Firewood shall also be brought in with a camper and may not be collected in the park.
4. Ashes must be carried out along with trash and other debris.
5. All natural and cultural features are protected. Nothing may be removed or disturbed, including plants and rocks.
6. As such, the entire backcountry area of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park® is defined as a camping facility. Per CCR Title XIV, 4455, occupancy by the same persons, equipment, or vehicles of any camping facility within Anza-Borrego Desert State Park is limited to a total of thirty (30) days in any calendar year.

7. Primitive camping is **NOT** allowed in the vicinity of the Borrego Palm Canyon Campground developed area bounded by Hoberg Road to the east, Palm Canyon Drive from Hoberg Road west, to the bottom of San Ysidro Peak behind the Visitor Center, following along the bottom of San Ysidro Peak north to the first Palm Grove in Borrego Palm Canyon, and the following from Palm Canyon along the bottom of Indian Head Mountain east to Hoberg Road. Nor is primitive camping allowed in areas posted with "No Camping" signs.
8. Exceptions to this order may only be granted in writing by the District Superintendent, Colorado Desert District, 200 Palm Canyon Drive, Borrego Springs, CA 92004-5005.
9. Nothing herein shall affect any existing private contracts or property rights.
10. Nothing herein shall be construed in derogation of other provisions by law.

Signed:



Gina Moran
Colorado Desert District Superintendent I

Authority: California Public Resources Code, Division 5, Chapter 1, Article 1, Sections 5003 and 5008.
California Code of Regulations, Title XIV, Division 3, Chapter 1, Section 4301(i), 4317, and 4326.

Copies of this order have been filed with California State Parks, Office of Park Operations, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814.