

KERN PLATEAU OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE INFORMATION

As an Off-Highway Vehicle user it is your responsibility to know the Rules and Regulations of the specific riding area you are using. Enjoy your stay and please help protect the resources of the area by staying on designated OHV roads and trails. Be aware that all OHV trails are also utilized by hikers, mountain bikers and stock users.

1. Rattlesnake Trail (33E22)-

This trail parallels Rattlesnake Creek and is best suited for advanced riders due to its steep slopes and several creek crossings and dead end. 10 mi.

2. Rincon Trail (33E23)-Trail begins in the Upper Kern Canyon off Mtn 99 at Ant Canyon. It parallels the Rincon Fault and Kern River drainage and ends at the Wilderness Boundary approximately ½ mile from the Forks of the Kern.

Cross the creek during low water ONLY. Best suited for advanced riders only. 19.5 mi.

3. Schaeffer Trail (33E24)-Trail traverses through Schaeffer Meadow and ends at Stony Meadow. This trail connects with Trout Creek and North Meadow Trails providing some steep grades. Best suited for advanced riders. 10 mi.

4. Cedar Cyn. Trail-(33E26) Starts off the Schaeffer Mdw. Trail, and ends on the Rincon Trail. This trail is very challenging due to a few steep narrow rocky sections. Best suited for advanced riders. 4.8 mi.

5. North Meadow Pass Trail (33E27)-Trail begins at Durwood Creek (33E24), parallels north of Meadow Creek and ties into Sherman Pass Jeep 4WD Rd. Suited for intermediate to advanced riders due to rocky terrain. 1.9 mi.

6. Trout Creek Trail (33E28)- This scenic trail starts at Corral Meadow and travels down the Trout Creek drainage to Boone Meadow Trail. Best suited for intermediate riders. 4.4 mi.

7. Cannell Meadow Trail (33E32)-This trail begins at Sherman Pass Vista and goes down to Big Mdw. Once you get to Big Mdw. the trail dead ends. You will then need a dual sport bike to continue on these roads. Suited for intermediate to advanced riders. 6.7 mi.

8. Sherman Pass 4-Wheel Drive Jeep Road (33E48)-This narrow, rocky, steep jeep road starts just north of Bonita Meadow off Rd. 22S41 and ends at Sherman Pass Rd 22S05 about 8 miles from Mtn 99 and the Kern River. Difficult terrain, expert 4WD techniques required. Not suitable for long wheel base vehicles. 6.8 mi.

9. Beach Trail (34E01)- From Sherman Pass Road to Osa Meadow, this trail offers a variety of challenges as it travels along the Bonita Creek Drainage and crosses Rattlesnake Creek. Some steep, rocky grades. Best suited for intermediate to advanced riders. 15 mi.

10. Little Horse Trail (34E02)- From Beach Meadow to Osa Meadow, this trail is best suited for the intermediate rider due to a few steep sections on the trail. 5.3 mi.

11. Fish and Troy Connector (34E03)-This trail connects Troy Meadow Campground overflow area with Fish Creek Campground. It is an excellent trail for beginners. 1.8 mi.

12. Rattlesnake Creek Trail (34E07)- Begins at Bald Mtn. Saddle just off Sherman Pass Rd., tying into the end of Mahogany Creek Trail. It offers a variety of conditions ranging from gradual hill climbs to creek bottom riding, connecting with Rattlesnake and Beach Trails

near Bonita Creek. Suited for intermediate and advanced riders. 15 mi.

13. Sherman Pass Trail (34E09)-This trail starts at Sherman Pass Vista and travels down to Trout Creek drainage, intersecting with the Trout Creek Trail. Suitable for intermediate to advanced riders. 1.8 mi.

14. Boone Meadow Trail (34E10)-From Sherman Pass Rd to Trout Creek this trail has two steep sections that make it best suited for the intermediate rider. 1.8 mi.

15. Mahogany Creek Trail (34E25)-Starts at the end of the Sam Lewis Rd 21S97 and ties into the Rattlesnake Creek Trail. This trail provides access to the west portion of the OHV system from Troy Meadow Campground overflow area. Challenging for beginners. 2.8 mi.

16. Blackrock Mountain Trail (34E26)-Connects the Osa Meadow area to the Granite/Broder Trail and offers a variety of scenic vistas. The trail was constructed and funded by the "Green Sticker" program. Enjoyable riding for intermediate as well as advanced riders. 8.2 mi.

17. Beach Ridge Trail (34E27)- This trail begins at Troy Meadow overflow and follows the ridge north ending at the Albanita Trail. It was constructed and funded by the "Green Sticker" program and is best suited for intermediate riders. 6.7 mi.

18. Monache 4-Wheel Drive Road (34E38)- Begins ½ mile past Powell Meadow off of Rd 21S36 and ends at Snake Creek. This 4X4 road provides access to Monache Meadow and the South Fork of the Kern Wild and Scenic River. Excellent for beginners and all 4-wheel drive users. 2.4 mi.

19. Granite/Broder Trail (35E02)-Trail begins off the Albanita Trail west of Granite

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Knob and connects with the Jackass Peak Trail. Best suited for intermediate riders due to rocky, steep sections. 4.8 mi.

20. Granite Cut-Off Trail (35E02A)-A connector route from Monache 4WD Rd to Granite/Broder Trail. This trail is for two-wheel vehicles only and is excellent for beginners. 0.7 mi.

21. Jackass Peak Trail (35E03)-Begins off the Albanita Trail west of Jackass Peak. It connects the Albanita Trail to the Granite/Broder Trail that was cut off by the South Sierra Wilderness boundary. This trail was constructed and funded by the "Green Sticker" program and is best suited for intermediate riders. 4.5 mi.

22. Albanita Trail (35E06)-From Jackass Peak to Beach Meadow, this trail has several steep sections that make it best suited for the intermediate rider. 7.5 mi.

23. Jackass Creek Trail (35E13)-This trail begins at Fish Creek Campground. It parallels the east side of Jackass Meadow and ends near Jackass Peak at the Albanita Trail. A steep section makes it a challenge to beginners. 5.8 mi.

24. Blackrock Station Trail (34E27A)-Begins at the Beach Ridge Trail to provide OHV access to the Blackrock Visitor Information Station. User information such as maps, guides and fire permits are available. 0.6 mi.

Information

Kernville Ranger Station
105 Whitney Rd.
Kernville CA 93238
760.376.3781

Blackrock Information Station
760.376.3781 ext. 276

Hospitals

Kern Valley Hospital
6412 Laurel Ave.
Mt. Mesa CA
760.379.2681

Ridgecrest Regional
1081 N China Lake Blvd
Ridgecrest CA
760.446.3551

West Side Facilities

Closest pay phone: McNallys
Kernville: Full service
Fairview: food, lodging, pay phone

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Kennedy Mdw.: food, phone
Pearsonville: gas, food phone
Ridgecrest: full service

Street legal OHV's are permitted on any Forest Service system road and trail. OHV's licensed with green stickers are permitted ONLY on designated OHV trails and on the following roads: Sherman Pass 4X4 Jeep Road 33E48; Monache 4X4 Road 34E38; Troy Meadow or Sam Lewis Road 21S97; Fish Creek Overflow Road 22S05F; and Bear Trap Road 21S19 to Trail 34E01.

NEW LAW ON GREEN/RED STICKER PLACEMENT

Motorcycles: On the left fork leg, either horizontal or vertical, visible from the left.

ATVs: On the left rear quadrant on permanent plastic or metal frame members visible to outside inspection.

RED STICKER INFO
2- stroke riding schedule- Sequoia National Forest, Kern Plateau (Kennedy Meadows) open all year.

All OHV roads and trails are maintained by "Green Sticker" program fund.

Noise Regulations

If your off-highway vehicle was manufactured before January 1, 1986, noise limit is 101 dbA. On or after January 1, 1986 96 dbA. If your competition off-highway vehicle was manufactured before January 1, 1998, noise limit is 101 dbA. On or after January 1, 1998, 96 dbA.

ATVs are restricted to Monache 4X4 Road 34E38 and Sherman Pass 4X4 Jeep Road 33E38 ONLY. ATVs must be trailered to each trailhead. Please TREAD LIGHTLY and report current trail conditions to the Blackrock Visitor Information Station.

*All information obtained from the US Department of Agriculture and the US Forest Service.