

Appendix M-1
Coyote Group Campground
Inventory

DEVELOPED RECREATION FACILITY INVENTORY AND ACCESSIBILITY FORM

Name of Facility:	Coyote Group Campground
Type of Facility:	Group Campground
Managing Agency:	USDA Forest Service – Tahoe National Forest – Foresthill Ranger District
Date of this Inventory:	July 24, 2008
Inventory Prepared by:	Sandra Walter-Perry (ENTRIX) in consultation with Ed Moore (TNF)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SITE:

Coyote Group Campground is located east of French Meadows Reservoir, on the north side of the Middle Fork American River. The campground includes four group campgrounds referred to as Prairie Wolf, Brush Wolf, Little Wolf, and Black Bear. Prairie Wolf, Brush Wolf, and Little Wolf are located in the same general area and are accessible via FR-96. Black Bear is separated from the other sites and accessible via the North Shore Access Road (42.2), off of FR-96. Black Bear is the largest of the group camp sites and can accommodate 50 persons at one time (PAOT). The other sites can each accommodate 25 PAOT. Each campsite includes heavy wood picnic and serving tables, handicap accessible double pedestal grills, large bear boxes, bear-proof garbage bins, a group fire ring with benches, vault toilets, and water faucets. In addition, a handicap accessible bathroom with flush toilets is available at Black Bear. None of the sites are designated as disabled accessible. The sites may be used by reservation only.

OVERALL CONDITION OF FACILITY:

<p>Condition of Facility: Overall facility condition is good. The entrance roads and all parking areas are all paved and striped, and in good condition. All of the vault toilets are in good condition but outdated. The individual campsites are in good condition. Most of the picnic and serving tables are in good condition with minor flaking paint. The bear boxes, pedestal grills, and garbage containers are relatively new and therefore in good condition. The group fire pits and benches are in good condition, except for the benches at Prairie Wolf. The benches at Prairie Wolf are old style benches. According to the Forest Service, it is not possible to install the new style benches due to shallow bedrock at this site.</p>
<p>Accessibility Conditions: None of the sites are designated as accessible. However, at least a portion of the all of the sites is level and relatively free of obstacles. Little Wolf has three stairs between the parking area and the camp site, which are not accessible. Prairie Wolf has lots of large rocks and bedrock outcrops which obstruct travel paths. Black Bear is overgrown with vegetation, mainly tall grasses, which obstruct travel routes and access to site features. The bathroom at Black Bear has flush toilets and was converted to be accessible. Otherwise, none of the other bathrooms are accessible. Some of the faucets have accessible handles. Otherwise, the faucets are not accessible. The Forest Service determined that it is feasible to make Black Bear accessible.</p>
<p>Health and Safety Concerns: None</p>
<p>Environmental and Cultural Concerns: One cultural resources (FS-05-17-54-08) are located near Coyote Campground. This site was recorded as a bedrock milling station and flake scatter and was found eligible for inclusion on the NRHP by the Forest Service. However it could not be located during cultural surveys conducted in 2006.</p>
<p>Comments: Water is supplied to this site via the Dolly Creek Water Supply, which is referred to by the Forest Service as the French Meadows North Shore Water System. The water source is a 575 feet deep groundwater well. Flow is approximately 11.75 gallons per minute.</p>

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FACILITY FEATURES

Feature	Quantity or Dimensions	Location or Description	Material	Type	Cond	Accessibility						Comments
						Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope	Other	
Bathroom	3	1 each in Prairie Wolf, Little Wolf and Brush Wolf	Wood, double unit	Vault	Good	N	X	X			X	Interior of bathrooms are in good condition. Exteriors are generally in good condition with minor paint flaking and dry lot along the eaves. None are accessible due to narrow widths, steps, etc. Pathway to Prairie Wolf bathroom is very narrow.
Bathroom	1	Black Bear	Wood, double unit Women's side has 2 toilets and 1 sink. Men's side has 1 toilet, 1 urinal and 1 sink.	Flush	Good	Y	X		X			Bathroom is generally in good condition, inside and outside. Bear claw marks are present on the door. According to Ed Moore, people store their food in the bathroom. This bathroom was converted to be accessible. A small lip is present at the entrance which should be filled. Also, brush by impede access.

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FACILITY FEATURES (continued)

Feature	Quantity or Dimensions	Location or Description	Material	Type	Cond	Accessibility						Comments
						Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope	Other	
Faucets	8	2 in Black Bear 2 in Brush Wolf 2 in Little Wolf 2 in Prairie Wolf	Standard upright steel pipe mounted to wood post set in corrugated steel drainage sump.		Fair to Good	N	X	X	X	X	X	Accessibility varies. Most are difficult to access due to unlevel surfaces, and the presence of obstacles. Height of steel sumps varies from below grade to 8 inches high. Black Bear – Neither faucet is accessible Brush Wolf – One faucet has an accessible handle Little Wolf - One faucet has an accessible handle Prairie Wolf - One faucet has an accessible handle
Gate	1	At main entrance to Coyote Group Campground	Green painted steel	Double, swing gate	Good	NA						Caution signage is in fair condition due to peeling paint.
Gate	1	On road to Prairie Wolf	Green painted steel	Swing gate	Good	NA						Installed in October 2006

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						Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope		Other
Gate	1	On road to Brush Wolf	Green painted steel	Single swing gate	Good	NA						Installed in September 2002
Gate	1	At entrance to Black Bear	Green painted steel	Single swing gate	Good	NA						Caution signage is in fair condition due to peeling paint.

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PARKING, ROADWAYS and TRAVEL PATHS

Feature	Quantity or Dimensions	Location or Description	Material	Cond	Accessibility						Comments
					Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope	Other	
Access and CG Loop Roads	Approx. 2,050 feet long. Mostly single lane.	Little Wolf and Brush Wolf Main Access Road and Loop, Prairie Wolf Main Access Road, Prairie Wolf Loop Road	Paved (AC)	Good	Y						Overall in good condition. See detailed road survey results for additional information.
Parking Areas	Total of 9,600 square feet	Little Wolf, Brush Wolf Prairie Wolf Parking Areas	Paved (AC)	Good	Y						Overall in good condition. Delineated with PTDF posts, bars and barrier rocks. Some striping is faded.
Access and CG Loop Roads	Approx. 450 feet long. Mostly single lane.	Black Bear Access and Loop Road	Paved (AC)	Good	Y						Overall in good condition. See detailed road survey results for additional information.
Parking Areas	Total of 8,500 square feet	Black Bear Parking Areas	Paved (AC)	Good	Y						Overall in good condition. Delineated barrier rocks. Some striping is faded.

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SIGNAGE

Type of Sign	Location	Qt.	Materials	Cond.	Wording/Graphics	Remarks	Accessibility Notes
Signage Pertinent to Coyote Group Campground - Little Wolf, Brush Wolf, and Prairie Wolf (July 24, 2008)							
Site Identification	On east side of road FR 96, across from main entrance to campground	1	Painted MDO plywood on painted wood posts (double sided)	Fair	GROUP CAMPS Coyote	Minor damage and paint flaking	Good contrast
Site Identification	Near main entrance to campground	1	Painted aluminum on PTDF post	Good	COYOTE GROUP LITTLE WOLF BRUSH WOLF PRAIRIE WOLF	Several bullet indentations (non-penetrating)	
Informational	On gate at main entrance to campground	1	Painted aluminum mounted on gate	Good	GROUP CAMPGROUNDS BY RESERVATION ONLY CALL FORESTHILL RANGER STATION FOR INFORMATION 530 367-2224		
Regulatory	On gate at main entrance to campground	1	Painted aluminum mounted on gate	Good	NO PARKING (w/ symbol)		
Traffic	On gate at main entrance to campground	2	Painted aluminum mounted on gate	Poor	Caution sign - yellow and black diagonal striping	Paint is peeling	
Traffic	At exit	1	Painted aluminum mounted on PTDF post	Good	OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROHIBITED ON PAVED ROADS		

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Signage Pertinent to Coyote Group Campground - Little Wolf, Brush Wolf, and Prairie Wolf (July 24, 2008)							
Directional	At intersection of roads to individual group camps	1	Painted wood with engraved painted letters mounted on painted wood posts	Good	← LITTLE WOLF CAMP ← BRUSH WOLF CAMP PRAIRIE WOLF CAMP →		
Little Wolf and Brush Wolf (July 24, 2008)							
Site Identification	Adjacent to parking area at Little Wolf	1	Painted aluminum on PTFD post.	Good	LITTLE WOLF		
Information Board	Adjacent to steps at Little Wolf camp	1	Painted MDO plywood board in/on painted wood frame/posts with shingled roof	Good	Various information and regulatory posters	Paint on frame and board is flaking/peeling.	Poster print is too small to see from a distance. Surface in front of board is not level and has obstacles, impeding access.
Site Identification	Adjacent to parking area at Brush Wolf camp	1	Painted aluminum on PTFD post.	Fair	BRUSH WOLF	Minor paint peeling, bent	
Traffic	On gate at barrier gate on road to Brush Wolf camp.	4	Painted aluminum mounted on gate	Good	Hazard sign - red and white diagonal striping		
Directional	At apex of Brush Wolf loop	1	Painted aluminum on short redwood post	Good	arrow	Paint on edge of sign is flaking	Set too low.
Information Board	At Brush Wolf site entrance	1	Painted MDO plywood board in/on painted wood frame/posts with shingled roof	Good	Various information and regulatory posters	Paint on frame and board is flaking/peeling.	Poster print is too small to see from a distance.

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Prairie Wolf (July 24, 2008)							
Site Identification	Adjacent to gate at entrance to Prairie Wolf parking area.	1	Painted aluminum on PTDF post, adjacent to gate.	Good	PRAIRIE WOLF	Minor paint flaking on edges of sign	
Traffic	On barrier gate on entrance road to Prairie Wolf	4	Painted aluminum on PTDF post mounted on gate	Good	Hazard sign - red and white diagonal		
Regulatory	In unpaved area adjacent to Prairie Wolf parking area	1	Painted aluminum mounted on redwood post	Good	NO PARKING (w/ symbol)		Set too low
Information Board	Adjacent to Prairie Wolf camp	1	Painted MDO plywood board in/on painted wood frame/posts with shingled roof	Good	Various information and regulatory posters	Paint on frame is flaking/peeling.	Poster print is too small to see from a distance. Surface in front of board is not level and has obstacles, impeding access.
Message board	Adjacent to rock in Prairie Wolf camp	1	Painted wood board on painted post	Fair	none	Board wood is splitting and paint is peeling	Surface in front of message board is not level

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Black Bear (July 24, 2008)							
Directional	On east side of FR 96 adjacent to MP 40 marker	1	Painted aluminum sign on PTDF posts	Good	COYOTE GROUP BLACK BEAR		
Site Identification	Near entrance to campground (east side)	1	Painted MDO plywood on painted wood posts (double sided)	Good	GROUP CAMPS Black Bear		
Informational	On gate at main entrance to Black Bear campground	1	Painted aluminum mounted on gate	Fair	GROUP CAMPGROUNDS BY RESERVATION ONLY CALL FORESTHILL RANGER STATION FOR INFORMATION 530 367-2224	Paint is peeling	
Traffic	On gate at main entrance to Black Bear campground	2	Painted aluminum mounted on gate	Poor	Caution sign - yellow and black diagonal striping	Paint is peeling	
Traffic	At Black Bear exit	1	Painted aluminum mounted on PTDF post	Good	OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROHIBITED ON PAVED ROADS		
Information Board	Near toilets in Black Bear camp	1	Painted MDO plywood board in/on painted wood frame/posts with shingled roof	Good	Various information and regulatory posters	Paint on frame and board is flaking/peeling.	Poster print is too small to see from a distance. Surface in front of board is level but not compacted.