

Site Tour Questions & Answers

A site tour was led by the Forest July 25th – 28th, 2022. Below are the questions asked by attendees and the prepared answers.

1. How many water systems, and chlorinators?

See *Appendix 22 Water and Sewer System Operation Requirements* for information about water systems.

There are two chlorinators (on Whitney Portal and Bishop Creek water systems). There is the potential to install up to four additional chlorinators in the next 1-2 years.

2. How many dump stations, FS vs. concession operated, fee vs non-fee?

There are four dump stations. The stations near Shady Rest, Oh Ridge, and Four Jeffrey campgrounds are concession operated with a fee. The dump station across from French Camp CG is concession operated with no fee for campground users. Applicants may propose a fee for the French Camp dump station.

3. Required consolidated fee or optional, how to pay for annual costs?

The prospectus includes bid options for 5+5 with an optional consolidated fee or 10+5 with a required consolidated fee. The Forest wants to encourage investment in renovation of campgrounds. The Forest intends to reserve a percentage of the consolidated fee for 'contingency' projects as would be done through the traditional annual GT return. In this way we would still have the flexibility to perform emergency work normally covered by the contingency.

4. What improvements does the Forest want?

Potential improvements are included in Appendix 12. In general, the Inyo is interested in renovating campgrounds including expanding parking spurs to accommodate modern vehicle sizes, installing tent pads, delineating campsites, replacing vehicle barriers, and protecting streamside vegetation.

The Forest is also interested in placing a small number of yurts at a few campgrounds such as Holiday to accommodate campers who don't have equipment or are new to car camping.

The Forest would also like to increase the availability of interpretive services at campgrounds.

5. What are the biggest challenges of managing the campgrounds?

The challenges to operating Inyo NF campgrounds include finding enough employees from the small local labor pool and maintaining aging infrastructure.

6. Where are host sites and what amenities do they have?

See *Appendix 20 Description of Developed Recreation Sites* which identifies designated host sites and amenities for each site. Many do not have electrical or sewer hookups. The forest has been adding blackwater tanks at host sites using fee offset funds.

7. Is the road to June Lake Beach Day Use Area a county road?

No, it is Forest Service Road 2S30C.

8. Who owns the dumpsters at campgrounds?

Dumpsters are either owned by the waste removal company or by the Forest Service depending on the location. See *Appendix 3 Inventory of Government-Furnished Property* to identify Forest Service owned dumpsters.

9. What is permittee's responsibility for water and wastewater systems?

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