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Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Reopen to Visitors

SEQUOIA AND KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARKS, CALIFORNIA – Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks have reopened to visitors today. Visitors can access public areas and roads immediately while facilities and other public services are brought back online. Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks have been closed since October 1 due to the lapse in Congressional appropriations.

“We are happy to be back at work to welcome the American public to their national parks,” said Superintendent Woody Smeck.

Generally, facilities will be reopened if scheduled to be open at this time of the year. However, facilities scheduled to be closed will remain closed.

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SEQUOIA AND KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARKS

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, which lie side-by-side in the southern Sierra Nevada in central California, serve as a prime example of nature's size, beauty, and diversity. With the world's largest trees (by volume), grand mountains, rugged foothills, deep canyons, vast caverns, and the highest point in the lower 48 states, it is a place that attracts nearly 1.7 million visitors a year from across the U.S. and the world. Visitor activities vary by season and elevation.

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