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SLANE'S FLAT



These meadows and mountains in the Yolla Bolly range of the inner coastal mountains of California offer Marin Council campers the unique opportunity of protecting a special piece of our

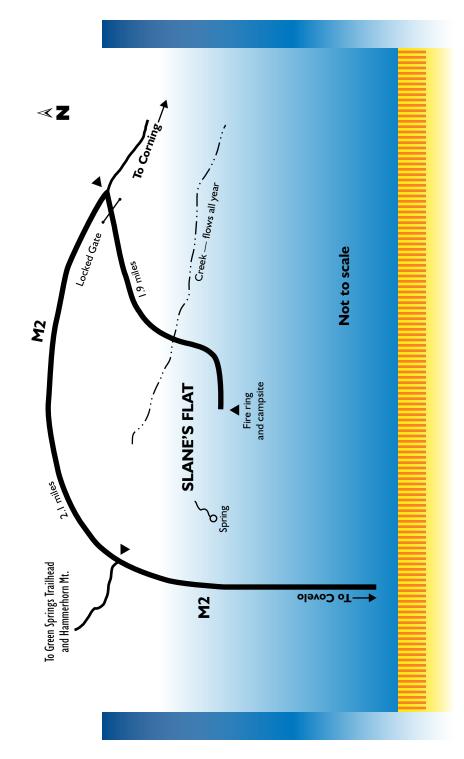


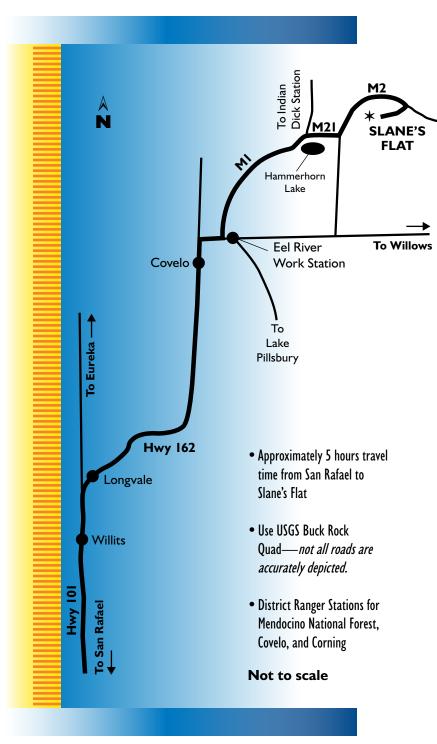
state's natural heritage. It is also an excellent jumping-off point for treks into the Yolla Bolly Middle Eel Wilderness and surrounding national forest areas. Even though the property is not extremely high in elevation, the remoteness and winter inaccessibility of this lovely mountain camp has helped to keep usage very low. We in Marin Council, who value such a piece of wilderness, should tread lightly in those high hills. To this end, the following points are a set of guidelines toward the preservation, reforestation, and low-impact usage of Slane's Flat by many Scouts for generations to come.

GUIDELINES FOR USAGE AND PRESERVATION OF SLANE'S FLAT

- Remember this is a remote location, and emergency services are quite distant.
- The following activities or materials are always prohibited on this property: firearms of any kind, crossbows, archery equipment, bicycles, pack animals, livestock, pets, power tools (except for council work parties), and fireworks.
- All principles of Leave No Trace/low impact usage shall apply when visiting and camping on this property. Particular attention shall be paid to all local flora and fauna populations, geological features, archaeological sites, sanitation practices, water treatment, and trash removal.
- The only fire ring permissible in the camp is the existing one on the south edge of the meadow under a grove of Incense Cedars. Only downed wood from the property may be used for open fires in this ring.
- The only permissible area for parking vehicles is adjacent to the fire ring area described above. Please keep the number of vehicles entering Slane's Flat to a minimum.
- The existing structure on the property is hazardous and is strictly off limits.

- A tour permit is required for all users of Slane's Flat, and it must be filed early enough for users to receive updated information regarding the gate lock, forest conditions, restrictions, open hunting zones, and so on. A closing report shall be required in order to report all members returned and any conditions requiring attention (this may be verbal or written).
- Any water activities conducted while on BSA Tour Permits require Safe Swim Defense and/or Safety Afloat programs.
- The gate shall always remain locked when users are in camp.
- Users shall be aware of all emergency procedures and the phone number of the district ranger for this area of the Mendocino National Forest. It is the users' responsibility to obtain this information.
- A fee of \$25.00 will be charged for each user group.
- Fire permits are not required on the property; however, National Forest restrictions apply. Check with the local ranger stations for fire restrictions.
- All accidents, vandalism, or losses shall be reported to the council office in the closing report.
- Always leave Slane's Flat cleaner than you find it.
- All Marin Council property rules apply to Slane's Flat.





We in Marin Council are aware that not all California wilderness areas are free from the degrading effects of livestock grazing, pack animals, timber harvesting, or discharge of weapons. Therefore, we the keepers of this special piece of wilderness are committed to its preservation in the most pristine condition.

