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California State Park Foundation's 15th Annual Earth Day Restoration & Cleanup



Saturday, April 14th, the California State Parks Foundation (CSPF) will host 19 environmental improvement projects at parks statewide. This is part of its 15th Annual Earth Day Restoration and Cleanup presented by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). Volunteers are encouraged to help maintain the beauty of California's treasured state parks. CSPF is providing grants up to \$15,000 to parks, allowing for the completion of larger projects that would otherwise be placed on the state's maintenance backlog. With park closures and continued budget cuts looming for state parks, volunteers are more important than ever to keep the parks clean and safe for all to enjoy. "For 15 years, the Earth Day Restoration and Cleanup has brought communities together to beautify and preserve California's state parks," said Elizabeth Goldstein, president of the California State Parks Foundation. "We value and thank all the sponsors and volunteers that support Earth Day. Our treasured state parks need this yearly cleanup, especially at a time when environmen-

tal improvement and maintenance projects are significantly delayed or eliminated due to continued budget challenges." Thousands of volunteers statewide make overdue repairs including trail maintenance, installing railing, historic water wheel restoration and campfire improvements. In addition, volunteers will plant native trees, restore wildlife habitat, update displays and remove trash. Park sites:
Alameda County
Martin Luther King, Jr. Regional Shoreline and Redwood Regional Park
Contra Costa County
Mt. Diablo State Park
Fresno/Madera counties
Millerton Lake State Recreation Area
Humboldt County
Patrick's Point State Park
Kern County
Keep Bakersfield Beautiful project
Los Angeles County
Dockweiler State Beach,
Malibu Creek State Park,
Rio de Los Angeles State Park

Marin County
Angel Island State Park
Napa County
Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park
San Diego County
San Onofre State Beach
Placer County
Auburn State Recreation Area
Sacramento County
Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park
San Francisco County
Candlestick Point State Recreation Area
San Luis Obispo County
Montaña de Oro State Park
San Mateo County
Burleigh H. Murray Ranch
Santa Cruz County
Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park
Sonoma County
Sonoma Coast State Beach
[To volunteer on Earth Day, visit calparks.org/earthday](http://calparks.org/earthday)
or call 1-888-98-PARKS. Registration is required. Parking fees are waived for volunteers.

RV SAFETY CHECKLIST



Taking off on the road for an RV adventure can be loads of fun and adventure, but a trip to the country can quickly become torture if you are not fully prepared. Use this checklist to make sure your RV is in tip-top shape before you hit the road.

Interior Body RV maintenance checklist

- Paneling condition
- Carpeting
- Cabinet/knob condition
- Light bulbs / loose fixtures or screws
- Upholstery and curtain / mini-blind Condition
- Smoke/propane/CO Detectors test
- Window Condition
- Shower stall and sinks
- Caulking and mold check
- Leaky faucet check Exterior Body RV

Exterior Body RV maintenance checklist

- Wash outside vehicle
- Water sealed testing (Cracks, Seams or Caulking that needs resealing)
- Roof membrane condition
- Windshield wipers
- Door lock function

Appliance checklist

- Furnace
- Water heater
- Refrigerator
- Air conditioner filter

Engine check list

- Oil level / oil change
- Transmission level / change
- Transfer case level / change
- Fuel filter change
- Power steering fluid
- Windshield washer fluid
- Radiator coolant level / change
- Battery water / terminals / replacement
- Air filter
- Master hydraulic cylinder fluid level
- Soft or cracked radiator hoses
- Cracked or worn fan belts

Wheel Checklist

- Air pressure
- Tread wear
- Alignment
- Tire Rotation
- Shock absorbers
- Breaks
- Wheel bearings / bushings / tie rods / Shackles
- Break fluid

Power System Check List

- Clean batteries and terminals, Cell level and voltage
- Clean solar panels
- Test wiring

Propane Check List

- Check for leaks
- Test all detectors
- Inspect propane bottles for corrosion or damage
- Overfilling protection device (OPD) is installed (tanks older than 1998 might not have this)

Generator Check List

- Generator Compartment is empty (especially flammables)
- Check for leaks in exhaust system

Hitch System Check List

- Replace cracked worn parts/ fix loose parts
- Check wiring
- Test break away switch

Water System Check List

- Check for leaks
- Sanitize tank and fill hose
- Back flush waste tanks
- Inspect tanks
- Check connection dump hose and fittings

RV CAMP SIGHTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

HALF MOON BAY FRANCIS BEACH CAMPGROUND



For reservations Call 1(800) 444-7275 (TTY 800-274-7275), or go online at www.parks.ca.gov.

Imagine pulling up to your camp spot and seeing the spectacular views of the ocean right from the seat of your vehicle, it is honestly quiet breath taking. Each camping space is equipped with a fire ring, grill and a picnic table. Bike trails run right past the back of the campsite. Beach access is right at the edge of the campsite, but watch out, this area has a strong under tow and

is not recommend for swimming. Bathrooms and showers are available at the end of the park and are open all night. They are clean and spacious. Not a bad deal for \$50 a night. As newbies to the camping world, I was surprised at how helpful other campers were. We were offered fire starters with in 20 minutes of arriving. As we

were still not successful with the fire, another camper came to build a wind protection brigade with ground steaks, 3 tarps and canopy ball bungees. After adding a duraflame log we were finally got the fire blazing. Shortly after skewing our hot dogs and getting our hands too close to the fire, our skewers were promptly replaced with larger ones which were well

appreciated by our burning eye balls. After a cold windy night, we were invited into a warm cozy trailer for coffee and company, with a friendly dog cuddled at our feet. Just as I thought our neighbors generosity and supplied had run thin, we were offered an extra leash for the stray dog we rescued. Boy, these folks come prepared.

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