USFS making plans to open Tahoe recreation sites

The U.S. Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit is about to begin the annual process of opening recreational facilities around the Lake Tahoe Basin. Campgrounds, day-use areas and forest roads traditionally open in mid-May, weather permitting.

The Taylor Creek Visitor Center and the Tallac Historic Site normally open Memorial Day weekend.



It's almost cycling season on the bike path at Camp Richardson. Photo/LTN file

Before facilities can be opened, the Forest Service must hire crews to staff and manage the sites, clean up from winter, remove safety hazards and wait for the danger of a freeze to pass before turning on water systems.

As a reminder, until recreation facilities officially open, there is no parking, trash removal, or restroom facilities available. Park your vehicle off the roadway and do not block access gates. Pack out all trash and where pets are allowed, clean up after your animal.

For a complete list of projected opening dates, visit our 2011 Campground and Forest Road webpage.