Tahoe National Forest sites ready for visitors

Most campgrounds and recreation sites within the Tahoe National Forest will be open for Memorial Day; however snow is expected to keep some of the more popular trails closed until early or mid-June.

There are still some snow banks in the high country, especially on north facing slopes or in shaded areas.

Even so, fire season is arriving earlier than usual, especially on the east side of the forest. Campfire permits are required outside of developed campgrounds and are free at all Forest Service, BLM, and CalFire offices.

The following status report of campgrounds, roads and trails is listed by major transportation corridor or area.

The campgrounds are open around Boca, Prosser and Stampede reservoirs. Water has not been tested for Prosser Reservoir. Contact the Truckee District Office for more information on water availability for Prosser sites (530.587.3558). The Sawtooth and 5 Lakes Trails are open. The Commemorative Overland Emigrant Trail is also open for mountain bikes or hiking.

Rivers are running fast, cold and high. Caution should be taken near the water — especially with children and pets.

For more information, go online.