

Passes and Permits

A Colorado State Parks Pass is required on all motor vehicles entering the park. All passes must be properly attached or displayed in the vehicle. An annual Pass is valid at any Colorado State Park for a year from the date of purchase. The Aspen Leaf annual pass is available to Colorado Seniors at a discounted rate. Daily passes are available at the park entrance stations, self-service dispensers and all State Park offices.

Colorado Disabled Veterans displaying the Colorado Disabled Veteran (DV) license plates are admitted free without a pass, however, a camping fee is charged. All campers are required to purchase a valid camping permit.

Emergencies

In an emergency, contact a ranger or call the Archuleta Sheriff at 970-731-2160.

Camping Reservations Required

Call 1-800-244-5613 or view cpwshop.com to reserve campsites. Call 303-297-1192, for customer service, 8am-5pm M-F.



Navajo State Park

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Navajo State Park

Developed Area

NAVAJO STATE PARK is a park that offers recreation, history, wildlife and the beauty of southwest Colorado. It is situated just outside of the town of Arboles, 35 miles southwest of Pagosa Springs, and 45 miles southeast of Durango, Colorado. The park's finest attraction is the 35-mile long Navajo Reservoir that begins in Colorado and ends in the State of New Mexico. The reservoir's 15,000 surface acres, including 3000 surface acres on the Colorado side, offer a challenge to the angler and unlimited pleasure to the boater. This is the lake that some of your friends forgot to tell you about. They want it all to themselves. Within the boundaries of the park lies an abandoned

narrow gauge railway that once was the area's transportation lifeline. The Denver and Rio Grande railroad served the towns of Rosa and the old town of Arboles, both of which now rest under the reservoir's surface. The Cumbres and Toltec and the Durango and Silverton Railroads are today the remaining working portions of this railway. The park's history also includes the Ancestral Puebloans who inhabited the area as well as the nearby areas of Chimney Rock and Mesa Verde. The area is host to an abundance of wildlife including deer, elk, fox, beaver, muskrat, river otter, jackrabbit, prairie dog and many species of birds. During the winter months, bald eagles soar above the lake.

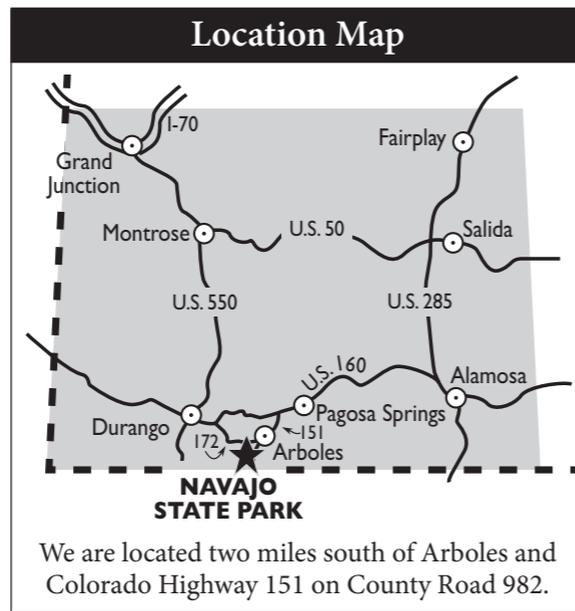
Visitor Services

The Navajo State Park Visitor Center exhibits a three-dimensional topographical map of the lake, Ancestral Puebloan artifacts, historical displays of the Denver and Rio Grande Narrow Gauge Railroad and nature displays. The Visitor Center store offers books on a variety of subjects, delightful puppets of many animals found in the park, gift items and Navajo State Park apparel.

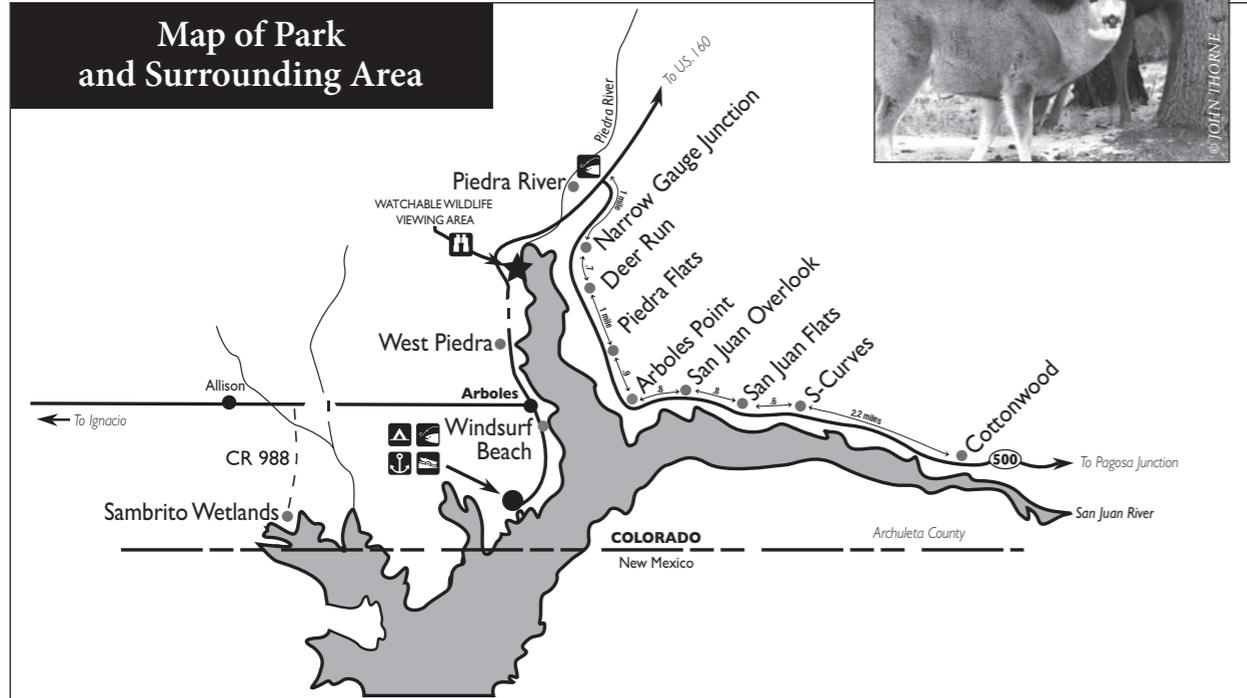
Park Rangers routinely patrol the park to provide information and assistance to visitors, and to enforce the rules and regulations within the park boundaries.

Community Facilities

The nearby town of Arboles offers a gas station, convenience store and a post office. Medical facilities are located in Pagosa Springs and Durango and the nearest hospital is in Pagosa Springs. The park is also served by an outstanding ambulance service from the neighboring town of Ignacio.



Map of Park and Surrounding Area



Regulations

- Fires are permitted only in permanent grills provided by the park or in fully-contained stove/grills. Never leave a fire unattended.
- Do not collect any natural materials for fires. Firewood is available from the campground hosts. Please do not dump ashes on the ground. Take them to a designated fire-ring or take them home.
- Keep motorized vehicles on designated roads.
- Observe quiet hours from 10pm to 6am.
- Pets must be on a leash no more than six-feet in length and under control. Please clean up after your pets.
- Check-out time is noon. Check-in time for campsites is 1:00 pm and for cabins is 4:00 pm.
- Riding in towed trailers is prohibited.
- Site occupancy is limited to one camping unit (two tents or one motor home and one tent), six persons and a maximum of 14 days. Tents in designated sites are allowed only on gravel pads, or in gravel driveways.

Group Picnic Areas

The park offers two group picnic areas that may be reserved for meetings, conferences, family gatherings, reunions, weddings, etc. Reservations may be made at the visitor center.

Hiking

There are currently five trails within Navajo State Park and most are appropriate for hiking or biking. All trails are open for your year-round enjoyment. A trails brochure is available at the Visitor Center.



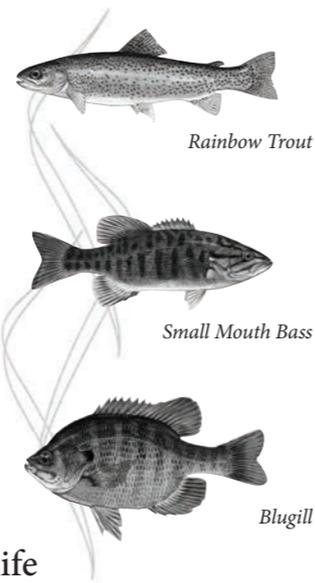
Winter Recreational Activities

Navajo State Park offers a variety of recreational activities throughout every season of the year. The Navajo Reservoir usually does not freeze in the winter, however, in accordance with Aquatic Nuisance Species procedures, the boat ramp is closed December 1st until March 1st. This is an outstanding time to view bald eagles and mule deer in the park.

Fishing

Whether from a boat or from the shoreline, fishing is great at Navajo State Park. Northern pike, bluegill, catfish, crappie and small mouth bass lie in the shallow waters near the surface. Kokanee salmon and many varieties of trout are found in deep water.

If you plan to fish across the New Mexico state line, be sure to purchase your New Mexico fishing license at: <https://onlinesales.wildlife.state.nm.us>.



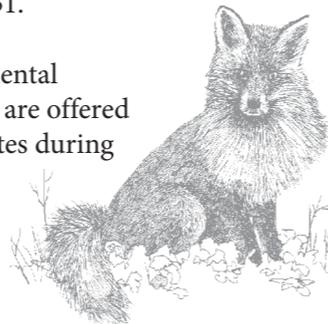
Wildlife

A large variety of wildlife, including deer, elk, fox, beavers, muskrats, prairie dogs, river otters, jackrabbits, raccoons and many species of birds, may be viewed throughout the year at Navajo State Park.

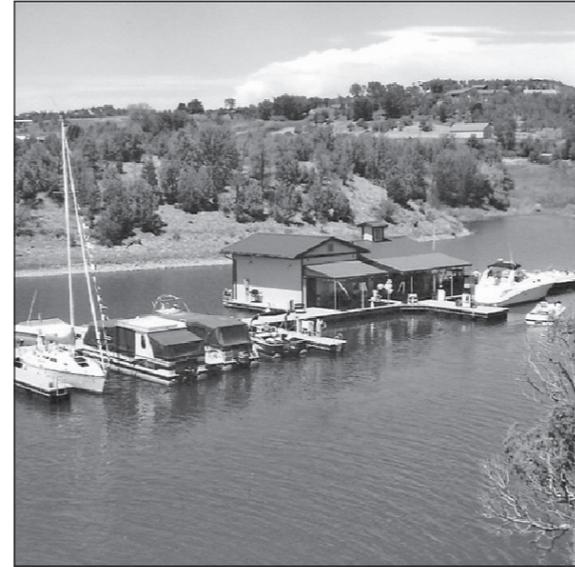
The Sambrito Wetlands area of the park is an especially beautiful place to view wildlife as it contains ponds, marshes and a wonderful view of the lake. This area is located two miles south of State Highway 151 on Archuleta County Road 988.

Another outstanding location to observe wildlife is the Navajo State Park Watchable Wildlife Viewing area located next to the narrow gauge railroad bridge which spans the Piedra River near State Highway 151.

A variety of environmental educational programs are offered at both of the above sites during the summer months.



Two Rivers Marina



Boating and Water Sports

Navajo Reservoir has 15,000 surface acres of water and 150 miles of shoreline for your boating pleasure. Personal watercraft, sailboats, ski-boats, high-performance bass boats and houseboats all ply the waters of Navajo Reservoir. The lake is big enough to find a quiet spot – even on holiday weekends.

The boating laws in New Mexico are similar to Colorado laws but since two-thirds of the reservoir is located in New Mexico, it is a good idea to look up New Mexico regulations online before entering New Mexico waters.



Marina

The Two Rivers Marina is located just south of where the Piedra and the San Juan Rivers meet. The full-service marina offers the following features:

- Fuel, ice, fishing tackle, boating supplies, cold drinks and a clean restroom
- Slips – daily, monthly and yearly rentals
- Mooring – 86 mooring balls with shuttle service to most
- Dry Storage – over two acres of fenced and locked area for storage of your boat or RV
- Pump-out Station – available for houseboats and day cruisers
- Rental Boats – pontoon boats
- Stand-up paddle boards

Services include:

- Battery boost or charge
- Emergency fuel or battery boost on water
- Launch and retrieval from dry storage

Call the Marina at 970-883-BOAT (2628) for information, prices and reservations.



Camping Facilities

A wide variety of campsites are available at Navajo State Park. These sites vary from primitive to full-service campgrounds. Camping is available only in designated areas.



Primitive Campsites

Primitive Campsites are located at Windsurf Beach and Arboles Point. These campsites are now reservable online or through our call center. Windsurf Beach is reservable year round, while Arboles Point remains on reservations April 15 – November 30 only. This is because there is no winter service at Arboles Point.

You must bring your own water to the primitive campsites as there is no water at these two campgrounds. Restrooms are accessible vault toilets, one of which remains open in each campground year round. There is also a dumpster available during the summer season, but during winter months, you should pack out your own trash. See campground maps for additional information.



Cabins

Beautiful full-service cabins are also available. The cabins are fully furnished and provide everything you should need except food, sleeping bags, bath towels and other linens. Cooking facilities are available in the modern kitchens or outside using the campfire/barbeque rings and picnic tables. Check-in is at 4 P.M. Check-out is at Noon.



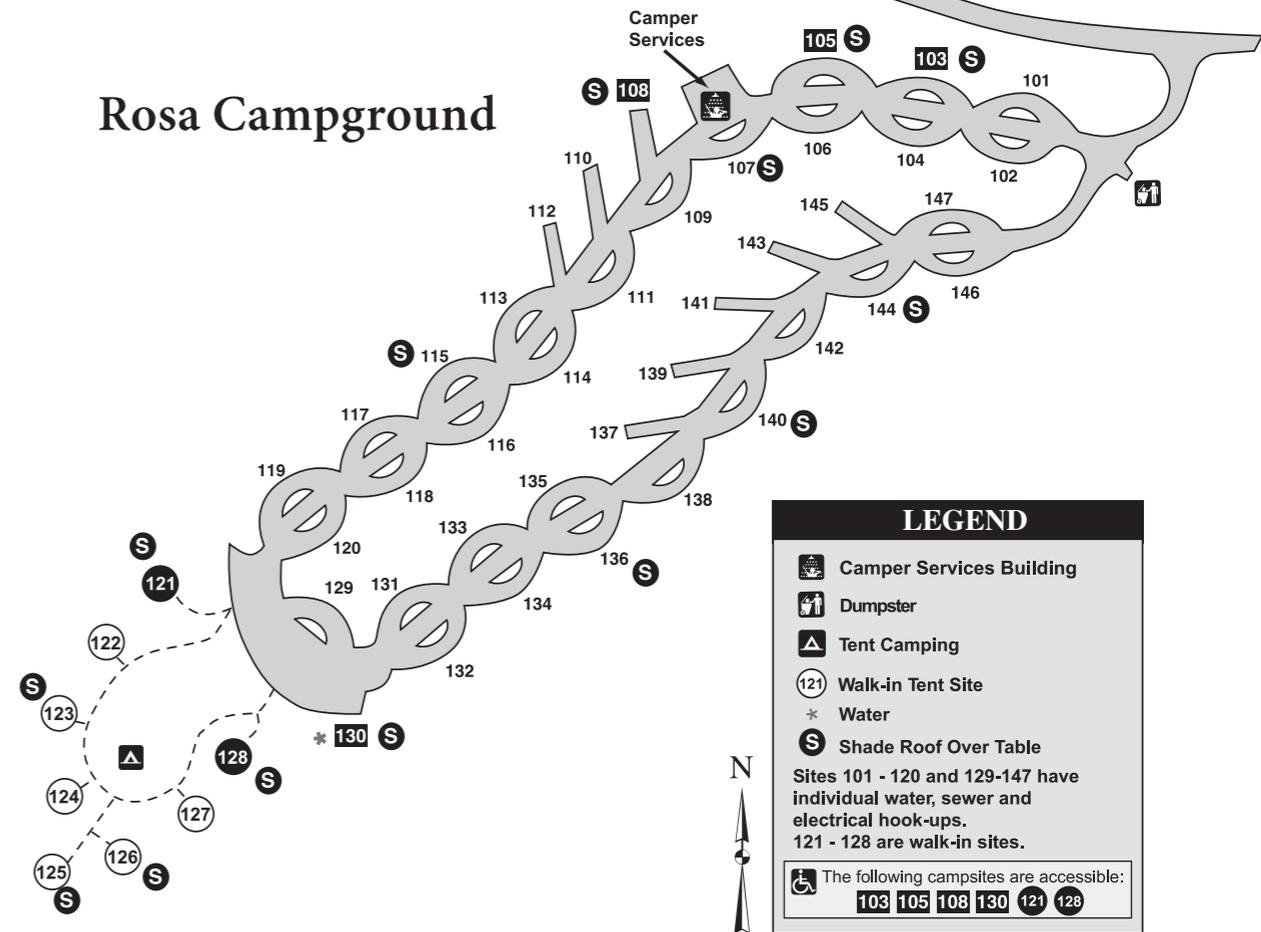
Rosa Campground

Rosa campground is the park's full-service campground and includes 39 RV sites (101-120 and 129-147). This area is located near the Visitor Center and offers individual water, sewer and electric hook-ups at each site. Four of the sites are fully accessible.

Rosa Campground also has 8 walk-in tent sites (121-128) with 2 of them being fully accessible. A nearby accessible camper services building contains clean restrooms, showers and self-service laundry facilities and is open April 15-October 15.



Rosa Campground



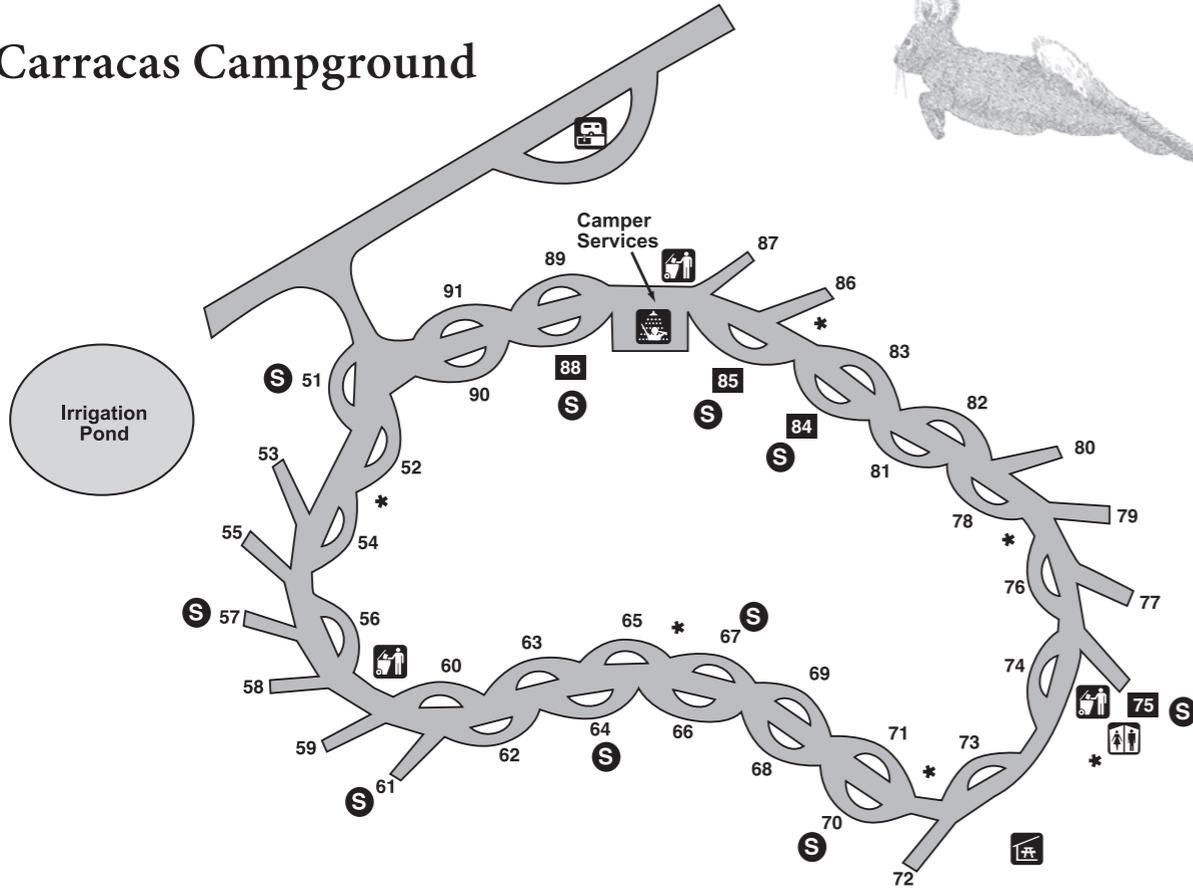
Carracas Campground

Carracas Campground is located closer to the marina and contains 41 campsites with individual electrical hook-ups (51-91). Four of these sites are fully accessible.

Water is available at central locations and an accessible camper services building offers clean restrooms and showers. This campground is closed October 15 - April 15.



Carracas Campground



LEGEND	
	Camper Services Building
	Dump Station
	Restroom
	Picnic Shelter
	Shade Roof Over Table
	Water
	The following campsites are accessible:
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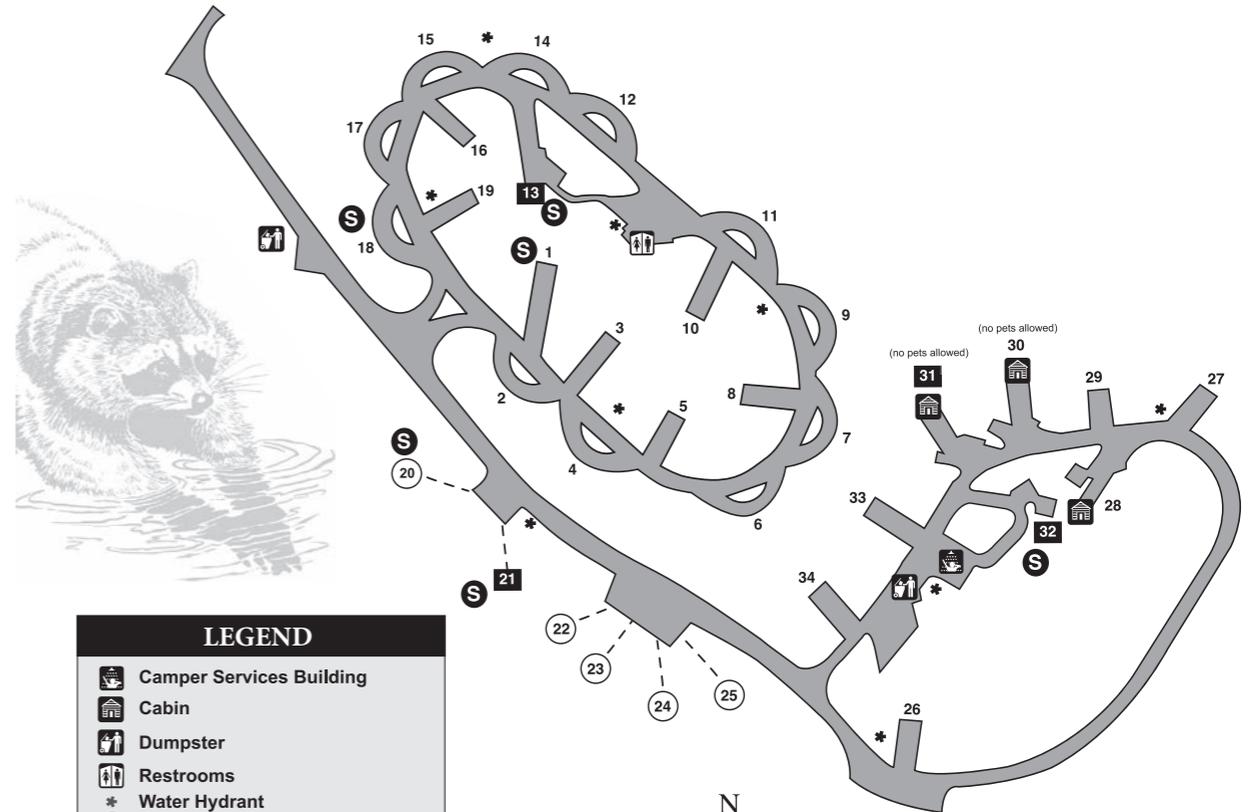


Tiffany Campground

Tiffany Campground is the original campground and is located near the amphitheatre. This area offers non-electric RV sites (2-19, 26, 27, 29, 33, 34), six tent sites (20-25), three full-service, 2-bedroom cabins(28, 30, 31) and 2 full-service sites for volunteers (1, 32). Two of the RV sites and one of the tent sites are fully accessible. One cabin is also accessible. Water is available at central locations and an accessible camper services building contains clean restrooms and showers. The camper services building is winterized off-season and is closed between October 15 and April 15.



Tiffany Campground



LEGEND	
	Camper Services Building
	Cabin
	Dumpster
	Restrooms
	Water Hydrant
	Shade Roof Over Table
	Walk-in Tent Site
	The following campsites are accessible:
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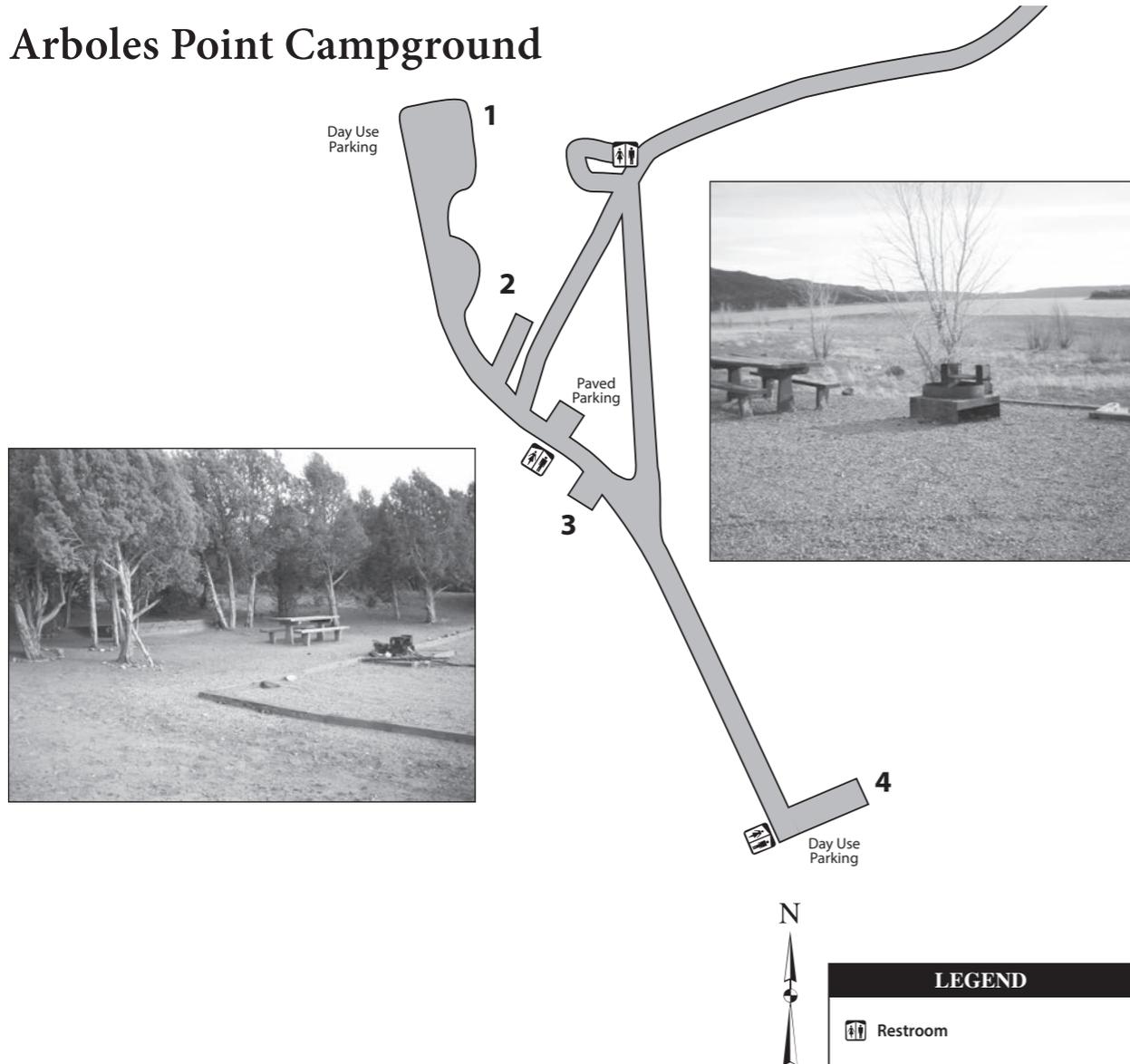
Primitive Campgrounds

Arboles Point Campground

Arboles Point Campground is located off CR 500 at the confluence of the San Juan and Piedra Rivers. This primitive campground has 4 small group RV/tent sites (1-4). Each site may have up to 12 people, 4 vehicles and 2 camping units. These sites have picnic tables, metal grills/campfire rings and tent

pads. There are also three accessible vault toilets, one of which remains open year round. These small group sites remain on reservations from April 15 - November 30 only. During the winter they are available for self service camping, but there is no winter service at Arboles Point.

Arboles Point Campground



Windsurf Beach Campground

Windsurf Beach Campground is a Primitive Campground located on CR 982 one mile before entering the main entrance of the park. The campsites (1-15) in this campground are smaller than the sites located in our developed campgrounds, which makes them more appropriate for tents and smaller RVs. Two of these sites are

partially accessible. Five of these sites (10-13 and 15) are tent sites only. Site (14) is a van accessible site with a picnic table and upright grill only. Other sites (16-20) can accommodate somewhat larger RVs, and have picnic tables and upright grills. One of these sites is partially accessible. Windsurf Beach remains on reservations year round.

Windsurf Beach Campground

