

CHINA CAMP STATE PARK
FIRE AND SAFETY READINESS
June 2019

We prohibit all fires in the park during any red flag day that involves Marin County. The Campground Hosts monitor red flag warnings and implement restrictions as needed.

We coordinate with San Rafael Fire Department and Marin County Fire Department, sharing information on any incidents, sharing expertise and tools to deal with vegetation management, and reviewing park security and signage to facilitate SRFD fire and medical responses in the park.

There are approximately 25 fire extinguishers available throughout the park; they are checked and serviced annually by an independent contractor, per state policy.

On non-red flag days, in accordance with California State Department of Parks and Recreation policies and guidelines, the following fires are permitted in the following locations:

- Campground: in iron fire rings, which are all 10+ feet from vegetation. Propane stoves permitted.
- Picnic areas: in iron BBQs, in open areas separated from brush. Propane stoves permitted.

In the lower village picnic area, which is close to a wooded hillside, ALL fires are prohibited at ALL times, in accordance with California State Department of Parks and Recreation policies and guidelines.



Our vegetation management has included

- removal of several large trees tagged by the state as potentially dangerous
- removal of large quantities of brush to a central site and arranging with Marin County Fire Department to have the brush chipped rather than a burned, as has been done in the past.
- regular mowing and weed whipping in the picnic areas and along the trails
- PG&E has also been active within the park, working along the powerlines

Employees, volunteers and residents are present in the park

- Barbier Security, whose agents conduct regular patrols in the village, campground, and picnic areas, and along North San Pedro Road

- our maintenance staff and maintenance volunteers, whose duties take them to all parts of the park
- our volunteer trail ambassadors, who patrol the trails on foot and on bikes
- our docents, cafe and visitor center volunteers, who interact with park visitors
- our volunteers who spend the nights at the historic village to ensure its safety
- In addition, several state park employees, including rangers, live in the park in state housing.