

USE OF THE WELLSPRING CAMPGROUND

Please be mindful of others and leave no trace

We welcome you to use all the upgraded facilities of our campground. These include the TENT CABINS, sleeping 2-4 persons, as well as our grounds where you can place your own tents anywhere in our protected meadow and the bathhouse. We do not offer RV/Campervan camping in the main campground. The only place that we can accommodate camper vans or a small RV is in the main Wellspring parking lot, the camp parking lot or the one space next to our workshop which *must be arranged by advance reservation*.

PARKING: The access to the campsites is a downhill dirt road which leaves from the main parking area. When you set up your camp, you are welcome to unload your car at the end of the road, but **cars must not drive on the meadow!** This is a requirement of the Anderson Valley Land Trust. There is parking for approximately 2-3 vehicles down at the campground parking area, but we do prefer folks to park in the main lot after unloading to keep a more natural flavor to the campground.

BATHHOUSES WITH SHOWERS: The two bathhouses now feature hot water, thanks to the solar panels on the nearby hillside. The water can be very hot, so be careful. Please limit showers to three minutes in mindfulness of others. **PRIVIES:** The privies, uphill from the bathhouses, provide for the natural recycling of human waste. Please add a cup of lime after use. Campers are also welcome to use the bath house next to the main deck “up top”.

CAMPFIRES: You must consult with Wellspring staff **before** you light a fire in the fire pit. Wellspring requires at least a donation be made for campfire wood used. Some restrictions apply, relative to fire danger and season. Contained camp stoves are permitted.

POISON OAK: The woods around the tent cabins and bathhouses, as well as hiking trails, have an abundance of poison oak. Three shiny leaves on a stem, poison oak is red in late summer and fall. If you are exposed, wash with soap immediately. A medicinal soap and first aid cupboard is available in the main kitchen. Dawn dish soap is particularly helpful in preventing the spread of the noxious oils. We have a first aid cupboard above the dish sink in the main kitchen.

CLIFFS: The cliffs behind the tent cabins are steep and dangerous. Make sure children (and adults) are aware of the danger and **access the river only by the paths**. Do not jump off rocks or not dive into the river. **There is no lifeguard on duty.** Children must not go to the river unattended!

HIKES: We are fortunate to have a section of Hendy Woods State Park right at our backdoor. The path beyond the bathhouses leads to the Pilgrim Trail, a one-mile loop. At its furthest point toward the river, it provides a bench and fine overlook of the Navarro River. A small path from this point takes you to a small waterfall in another hundred yards. Beyond that point is more adventurous hiking, as the trails are not as well maintained. Be aware of the possibility of wild creatures, including mountain lions. They have been sighted in the area. Be sure to check your yourself and family for ticks after walking outdoors.

COMMUNICATION: Our office phone number is 707-895-3893 and we will pass on messages left for guests. We also have two courtesy phones that guests can reach staff off hours, make local and long distance calls with in the United States. Most cell phones do not work at Wellspring. **Day use folks must register in the office...**donation for use appreciated.