California Coastal Zone Beach Restrictions due to COVID-19

From North to South by County

This is a list of beach access restrictions and closures that will be updated regularly, but due to rapidly changing conditions it might not capture all beach access changes. For most updated information, contact your local government or recreation department about local restrictions.

California State Parks – COVID-19 Information

- List of Parks Temporarily Closed to the Public.
- Most parks parking lots have been fully or partially reopened
- High public-use indoor facilities—including museums, visitor centers and cafés—closed
- Some campground have reopened, check ReserveCalifornia for latest information

Del Norte County

- Yurok Tribal Lands
  - Beaches may be closed to public. Please check with the Yurok Tribe for up-to-date information.
- Redwood National Park
  - Many facilities are closed including campgrounds, visitor centers, and day use areas

Humboldt County

- Redwood National Park
  - Crescent City Information Center and Jedidiah Smith Visitor Center closed

Mendocino County

- Point Arena
  - Parking lot closed with exception for commercial fishermen or businesses/vessels with paid parking privileges
  - Point Arena Pier closed

Sonoma County

- Beaches open

Marin County

- Golden Gate National Recreation Area
  - Services and operations closed at the following sites:
    - Marin Headlands Visitor Center
    - Nike Missile Site
    - Point Bonita Lighthouse
    - Kirby Cove Day Use Area
- Battery Townsley interior is closed and no ranger/volunteer led tours are occurring
- Point Reyes National Seashore – National Park Service
  - Visitor centers remain closed
  - There are also several beach, trail, and road closures not related to COVID-19. Check the PRNS website for latest details.

San Francisco City and County
- Golden Gate National Recreation Area
  - Cliff House and Lands End Lookout Visitor Center and Café

San Mateo County
- Beaches open

Santa Cruz County
- City of Santa Cruz
  - UCSC Coastal Science campus closed to vehicles. Pedestrian and bike access still open.

Monterey County
- City of Monterey
  - McAbee and San Carlos beaches closed through 9/22, ocean activities still allowed
- City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
  - Umbrellas, shade structures, tents, beach equipment, BBQ’s, tables, fireworks, propane or other fuel tanks are prohibited at beaches in the City until 10/7
- Los Padres National Forest
  - Due to rapidly changing conditions of wildfires in the area, please check with local authorities (Los Padres National Forest)

San Luis Obispo County
- PG&E Diablo Canyon
  - Point Buchon and Pecho Coast trails remain closed
- Avila Beach
  - Pier closed

Santa Barbara County
- Beaches open

Ventura County
- Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area (Ventura portion)
  - Visitor centers remain closed

Los Angeles County
- Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area (Los Angeles County portion)
  - Visitor centers remain closed
- City of Malibu
  - Malibu Pier open 8am to 8pm

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Parking lot is open at reduced capacity for beachside parking
- The following beaches have coastal accessways that are closed:
  - Lechuza Beach – Bunnie Lane beach accessway closed (East and West Sea Level Drive accessways are open)
  - Escondido Beach – Geoffreys and Seacliff-Escondido beach accessways closed (Escondido Creek beach accessway open)
  - Latigo Beach – Beach accessway closed
  - Big Rock – Maritime Rocks beach access closed (Dolphin View Overlook and Big Rock stairway open)

- City of Santa Monica
  - Santa Monica Pier has begun phased reopening, restrictions on number of visitors and some remain facilities closed
    - The pier bridge at Ocean Avenue and Colorado Avenue and all beach stairs will remain closed. The pier entrance and exit ramps are on Ocean Front Walk on the beach level.
  - Beach Parking Lots on Pier Deck, Lot 1-North (1550 PCH) and Lot 3-North (1150 PCH) remain closed
  - Muscle Beach remains closed

- City of Los Angeles
  - Some beach parking lots at partial capacity
  - Venice and Cabrillo Fishing Piers remain closed

- City of Hermosa Beach
  - Lot B open for 15 min use, Lot C remains closed

- City of Redondo Beach
  - Stairs at Avenue C accessway remains closed

**Orange County**
- Beaches open

**San Diego County**
- Cabrillo National Monument
  - Indoor areas remain closed
- City of Oceanside
  - Pier Plaza Amphitheater closed
- Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve
  - Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center, parking lot, restrooms, and trails leading to the visitor center remain closed
  - Border Field State Park closed to hiking, biking, equestrian activity and vehicles
  - Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve- Trails on USFWS lands around the Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center remain closed