



California State Parks Foundation Volunteer Program

Mask and COVID-19 Safety Guidelines

Effective September 8, 2021

In response to California's [re-opening on June 15, 2021](#) and updated mask protocols, California State Parks Foundation will require the following protocols to be taken at each of our workdays:

Mask Guidelines

- Volunteers will not be required to wear masks at our outdoor events where social distancing is possible.
- We ask that all volunteers follow county guidelines and the [Center for Disease Control's guidance for use of face coverings](#) depending on their vaccination status.
- Volunteers are not required to provide information about their vaccination status to park staff, volunteer core leaders, or anyone else who may be attending the event.
- We acknowledge that some volunteers may have medical exceptions to the above mask guidelines. Please note: If you have an exemption and cannot maintain social distancing, you may be asked to leave the volunteer workday.

Additional Safety Precautions Required

- All tools will be wiped down with disinfectant before the workday.
- Attendees not belonging to a household unit are encouraged to maintain a minimum 6-ft. distance from other attendees and staff.
- Individually wrapped snacks or breakfast items will be provided to volunteers. *If food is not individually wrapped, core leaders will use gloves to safely distribute items to volunteers and staff. Note lunch is not provided at workdays until further notice.*
- Gloves will be washed after each event by state park staff. In the case that park staff are uncomfortable washing, we will allow volunteers to keep the gloves. Internal workplans for each event will identify which option the park will use.

Volunteers Should Bring

- We encourage volunteers to bring a face mask and follow state guidelines in regards to their vaccination status.
- Closed-toe shoes are required.
- Gloves (will be provided if you don't have your own).
- Filled water bottle. 16oz minimum recommended.
- Sun Protection (sunscreen/hat/sunglasses).

COVID-19 Safety Note

Safety is a top priority for California State Parks Foundation. Please do not attend our workday if you are sick or have been exposed to anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19. Please note that older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing serious complications from COVID-19 illness. More information here: [Are you at higher risk for serious illness?](#)

Additional Resources

[Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#) *Center for Disease Control*