

# SUMMER ADVENTURE AT CAMP TAHQUITZ

Dear Troop Parent:

This year our troop will be attending summer camp at Camp Tahquitz, a fantastic scout camp that is in the San Bernardino Mountains.

This handout provides some key information that you might find helpful as you and your son prepare for their week at camp. If you have any questions, please be sure to speak with the Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster. They have already received additional detailed material on planning for our summer camp experience.

OUR TROOP WILL BE GOING TO TAHQUITZ ON

WE WILL BE IN CAMPSITE

OUR ADULT LEADERS WILL BE:

OUR TROOP COORDINATOR FOR SUMMER CAMP IS:

THE TOTAL COST FOR CAMP WILL BE:

IMPORTANT TROOP DATES/REMINDERS:

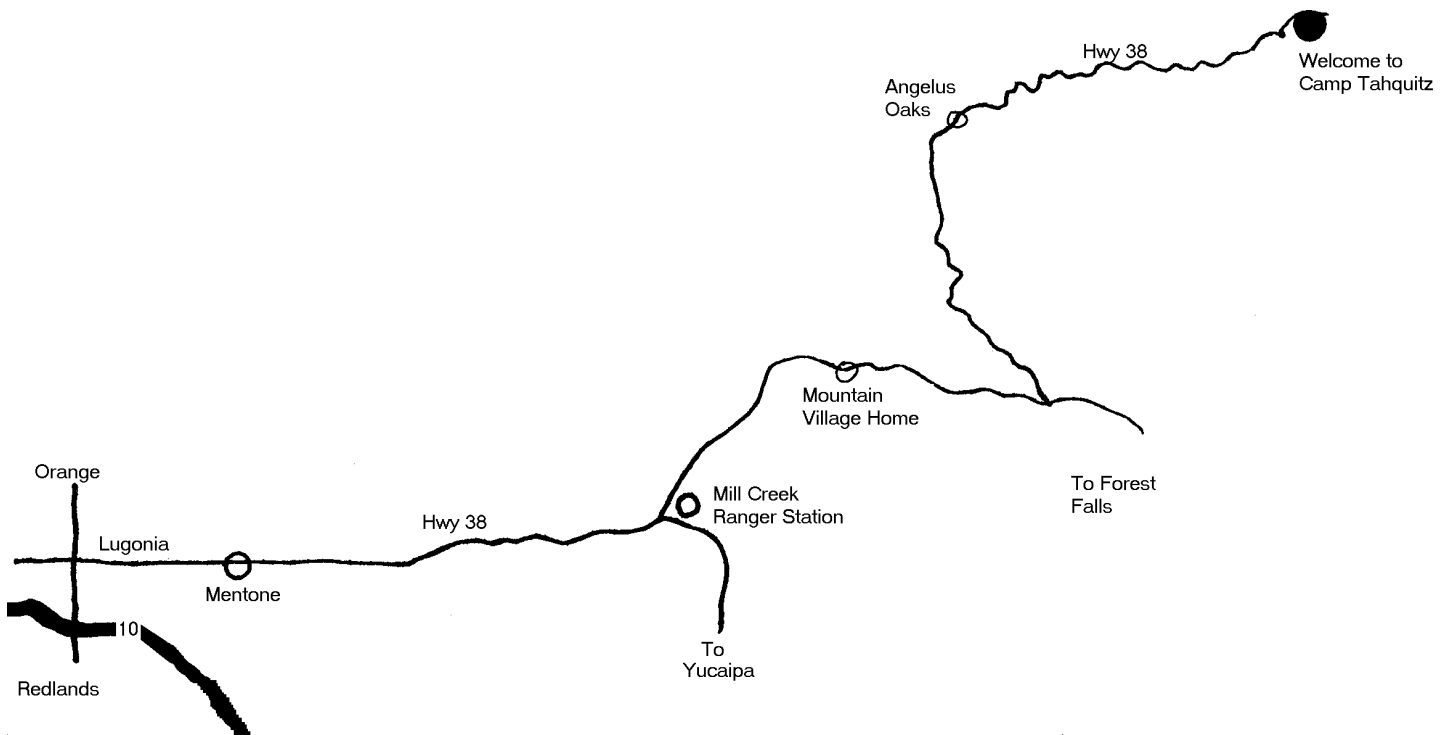
## CAMP MAP

### To get to Tahquitz:

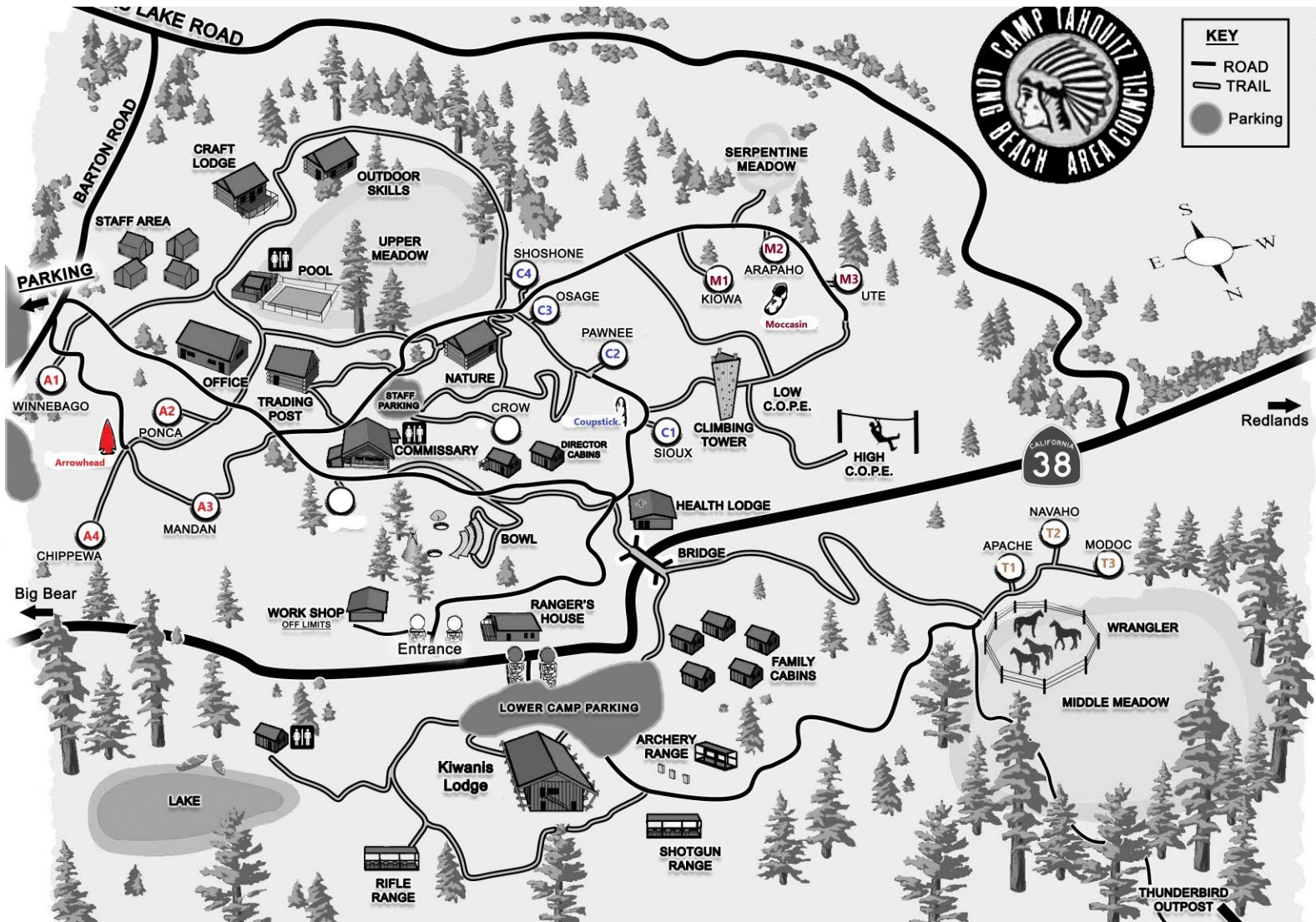
Take the 91 Freeway; after Riverside it will merge into the 215 North.

From the 215 take the 10 freeway east. In Redlands, exit at Orange Avenue (State Highway 38). After exiting, turn left, going under the freeway on Orange Avenue.

Stay on Highway 38, which turns right on Lugonia Avenue in Redlands. Remain on Highway 38 through Mentone, Mountain Home Village, and Angelus Oaks. Tahquitz is 6 miles past Angelus Oaks on Highway 38



# CAMP MAP



*“Camp Tahquitz believes that its role is to support all troops by providing them with the best possible scout-camping experience possible. We accomplish this by viewing scout troops and leadership as independent and individual organizations with their own unique needs and desires. Scouts who attend Tahquitz will find a program that balances the “Methods” of scouting, enabling them to achieve both rank advancements as well as benefit from the excitement of an outdoor scouting program.*”

## WHAT TO BRING

### MANDATORY

1. Completed Medical form for **everyone** coming to camp – **MANDATORY** to stay in camp!
2. Firearm Release form - **MANDATORY** if scout is to be using the Rifle or Shotgun range.!

## SCOUT CAMPER EQUIPMENT

CLOTHING	CAMPING GEAR
Scout uniform	Sleeping bag, ground cloth/pad
Jacket	Ground cloth
Rain gear, hat	Pack or duffel bag
Swimsuit	Flashlight and extra batteries
Extra pants or shorts	Pocketknife
2-4 pairs of underwear	<b>TOILET KIT</b>
2-4 t-shirts	Toothbrush & toothpaste
3-6 pairs of socks	Soap & detergent
Boots/walking shoes (no flip-flops)	2 towels and washcloth
Sunglasses	Insect repellent
<b>OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS</b>	Sunscreen
Scout Handbook	Deodorant
Merit Badge Pamphlets	Lip balm (e.g., ChapStick or similar)
Writing materials, stamps	<b>OPTIONAL ITEMS</b>
Pocket money	Camera
Personal First Aid Kit	Swim fins & mask
Personal Medication/ Prescriptions	Fishing tackle
<b>MERIT BADGE SUPPLIES</b>	Musical instrument
<i>Be sure to read all merit badge pamphlets to see if there are materials to bring from home</i>	Binoculars

The Scout Uniform is appropriate dress at any time during the week. It sets the tone and acts as a common denominator and a unifying factor. The camp encourages Scouts and adults to wear their uniforms when arriving at camp, during dinner, at campfires and when leaving camp.

## MEDICALS

Everyone must use the current National BSA medical form. **NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN CAMP WITHOUT A CURRENT MEDICAL FORM.**

### WHAT IS THE BSA MEDICAL FORM?

The BSA Medical Form, officially called the *Annual Health and Medical Record*, is the single form that is used for all BSA activities and programs.

### WHERE CAN I FIND THE FORM?

You can get a copy of the form from your scoutmaster, or you can go online and get a form from your Scoutmaster or from the national BSA website:

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001\\_ABC.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf)

### WHO NEEDS A MEDICAL FORM?

For all Scouting activities, all participants must complete **Part A and Part B (both pages)**. "All participants" includes parents, guardians, siblings, youth, staff, and unit leaders.

**Part C** is required for all participants who will be at camp for more than 72 hours. Part C requires an annual exam performed by a licensed health-care provider. **NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN CAMP WITHOUT A CURRENT MEDICAL FORM.**

### DO I HAVE TO USE THE BSA FORM?

You **must** use the current BSA medical form. Since the BSA medical was developed specifically for scouting activities, we cannot accept medicals from other organizations, even if they have a health care professional's signature (for example, band or sport-team physicals).

### WHICH IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PARTS A, B, C, AND D?

- ✓ Parts A & B are the medical update that you complete yourself.
- ✓ Part C is the annual physical; this requires the signature of a health care professional within the last 12 months.

### IS PART C REQUIRED OF EVERYONE?

While Part A and Part B are required for any participant who comes to camp, Part C is only required for individuals who are at camp for more than 72 hours.

### WHAT ABOUT THE HEIGHT/WEIGHT CHART ON THE BOTTOM OF PART C?

These do not apply to Tahquitz resident summer camp.

### **WHAT ABOUT PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS?**

Be sure to complete the information for **all** medications that a participant will have at camp. The taking of prescription medication is the responsibility of the individual who has the prescription (or that individual's parent/guardian). A leader, after obtaining all the necessary information, can agree to accept the responsibility of making sure a youth takes the necessary medication at the appropriate time, but BSA does not mandate or necessarily encourage the leader to do so.

### **CAN I SUBMIT AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE MEDICAL FORM?**

While you can complete the form online, you must save and print it when you go to the health care professional. You will then give a hard copy to your scoutmaster before our troop arrives at camp. **DO NOT EMAIL AN ELECTRONIC VERSION OF THE FORM TO CAMP!**

### **WHAT HAPPENS TO THE FORM AFTER CAMP?**

We strongly recommend that parents make copies of their child's medical for their own records. At check-in, the medical records will be taken to the Health Lodge where it will be stored for the week. At the end of the week our scoutmaster will pick up the forms at check-out.

At the end of the week any medical forms that have not been picked up will be shredded.

### **WHAT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ON MEDICAL FORMS?**

For more information, please go to the FAQ Page on the National website.  
(<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/medical-formfaqs/>)

### **DOES THE CAMP HAVE A HEALTH LODGE?**

Qualified first-response personnel will staff the Health Lodge. Any injuries or illness must be reported to the Camp Director.

### **IS THERE A CAMP EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE?**

In addition to any emergency procedures used by our troop, if an emergency should arise and you need to get a message to one of the troop adults, the camp office is staffed between 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. The camp number is (909) 794-2932.

Please be patient if you leave a message with the camp office. With 640 acres of camp, it may take a little bit of time to contact an individual from your troop!

## GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

### WHAT IS THE CAMP MAILING ADDRESS?

Everyone at camp likes to receive mail. We encourage parents to write a letter to for their son to receive during the week. Remember, it takes at least two days for mail to get to camp! Write your letters early in the week.

Out-going mail leaves the camp office in the morning, and incoming mail is available for pick-up in the camp office later in the day. Mail should be picked up by one of the adult leaders for the troop. The mailing address for Camp Tahquitz is:

Scout's Name
Camp Tahquitz, BSA Troop # ____
Campsite # _____
41700 State Highway 38
Angelus Oaks, CA 92305

### IS THERE A TRADING POST?

The Camp Tahquitz Trading Post is located near the center of camp and is stocked with many items useful in camp including souvenirs, supplies, recognition, and sundries. Our troop will have the option of pre-ordering our t-shirts before we arrive at camp (Check with the scoutmaster for more information)

### ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL FEES?

BSA Lifeguard book, craft items: \$3.50 - \$15.00

Guest Meals: \$20.00 per day, \$8.00 per meal

Climbing Instructor Course: \$40.00 (recertification for \$25.00)

### WHAT IF I NEED A REFUND?

Before our troop even arrives, the camp has invested a great deal of time and made many purchases based on the number of scouts who are expected at camp. If a scout cannot attend, the camp encourages each troop to use those fees to pay for another scout in the same troop.

Full reservation policy for Troops can be found on the campsite reservation form.

### CAN FAMILY MEMBERS VISIT DURING THE WEEK?

To ensure that the scouts have a consistent scouting experience, we would recommend that family members (other than those serving as troop leaders) not visit during the week. If a family member wishes to visit the troop during the week, please be sure to contact the Scoutmaster as well as the camp administration before arriving.

Remember, all adults – including family members – serving a troop leaders must register with the BSA (which includes the BSA Youth Protection Training program)

There are no overnight facilities available for family members during the week.

**IS THERE A FAMILY DAY?**

The troop has the option of inviting family members to arrive Friday afternoon and watch scouts as they complete their week at camp. They are invited to stay for dinner, and they may spend the night in the campsite on Friday night (all YPT policies must be adhered to; parents will set up their tents in the general troop campsite, but away from the scout tents).

To see if your troop will be having family guests on Friday afternoon/evening, please check with your scoutmaster.

**PROGRAM INFORMATION****AQUATICS**

Our pool overlooking the Tahquitz Meadow as well as our own Lake provides recreational and instructional aquatic activities. Before participating in any aquatic event, the scouts are classified by ability as "learners", "beginners", or "swimmers".

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| ✓ Swimming MB    | ✓ Lifesaving MB | ✓ Mile Swim       |
| ✓ Water Carnival |                 | ✓ Polar Bear Swim |
| ✓ Rowing MB      | ✓ Canoeing MB   | ✓ Kayaking MB     |

**CRAFT LODGE**

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| ✓ Crafts Activities | ✓ Leatherwork MB | ✓ Contests    |
| ✓ Basketry MB       | ✓ Woodworking MB | ✓ Wood Crafts |
| ✓ Wood Carving MB   | ✓ Indian Lore MB | ✓ Art MB      |

**OUTDOOR SKILLS**

Camping, cooking, fire building, Knife and Ax: that is what every scout remembers about Scouting in the outdoors. We offer all this and more! The Scout Skills area stretches across the Tahquitz Meadow.

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| ✓ Giant Pioneering Yard | ✓ Outdoor Skills Demos | ✓ Paul Bunyan Woodsman |
| ✓ Tot 'N Chip           | ✓ Fireman Chit         | ✓ Rank Advancement     |
| ✓ Pioneering MB         | ✓ Camping MB           | ✓ First Aid MB         |

**TRAIL TO FIRST CLASS)**

This program is designed to help scouts earn their basic scouting skills. You do not need to pre-register; scouts needing these requirements only need to show up on the day the subject they need to work on will be presented.

**SHOOTING SPORTS**

Ever wanted to learn about how to shoot a .22 rifle? Would you like to test your skills at a bow and arrow? Are you an older scout who would like to take a shot at Shotgun program for older scouts? Test your marksmanship skills at the Tahquitz Ranges!

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| ✓ Rifle MB         | ✓ Archery MB         | ✓ Shotgun MB         |
| ✓ Troop Rifle time | ✓ Troop Archery time | ✓ Troop Shotgun time |



**HIGH ADVENTURE & CLIMBING**

Because of the mountainous and forested location, Camp Tahquitz can offer a wide variety of High Adventure activities.

- ✓ Day Hikes
- ✓ Rappelling Tower
- ✓ Climbing MB
- ✓ Backcountry Hikes
- ✓ Orienteering Courses
- ✓ Wilderness Survival MB
- ✓ Adult Climbing Training
- ✓ Hiking Awards
- ✓ C.O.P.E. Course
- ✓ Emergency Preparedness MB

NOTE: The COPE Course is part of our Older Scout program, and is limited to scouts who are at least 12 years old (Low COPE) or 13 years old (High COPE)

**NATURE/ECOLOGY CENTER**

Camp Tahquitz has the good fortune to be a 640-acre Nature Center with many different environments. Here a Scout, in a manner not possible in the city, can experience and learn to appreciate the wonders of the world in which he lives.

- ✓ Feeding Station
- ✓ Weather Station
- ✓ Evening Activities
- ✓ Hands-On Museum
- ✓ Conservation/ Projects
- ✓ Good Turn Projects
- ✓ Natural Resource Library
- ✓ World Conservation Award
- ✓ Reflector Telescope

*See Merit Badge list for all nature related merit badges offered*

**HOW TO CONTACT CAMP:**

Long Beach Area Council  
401 E. 37<sup>th</sup> Street  
Long Beach, CA 90807  
562.427.0911

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