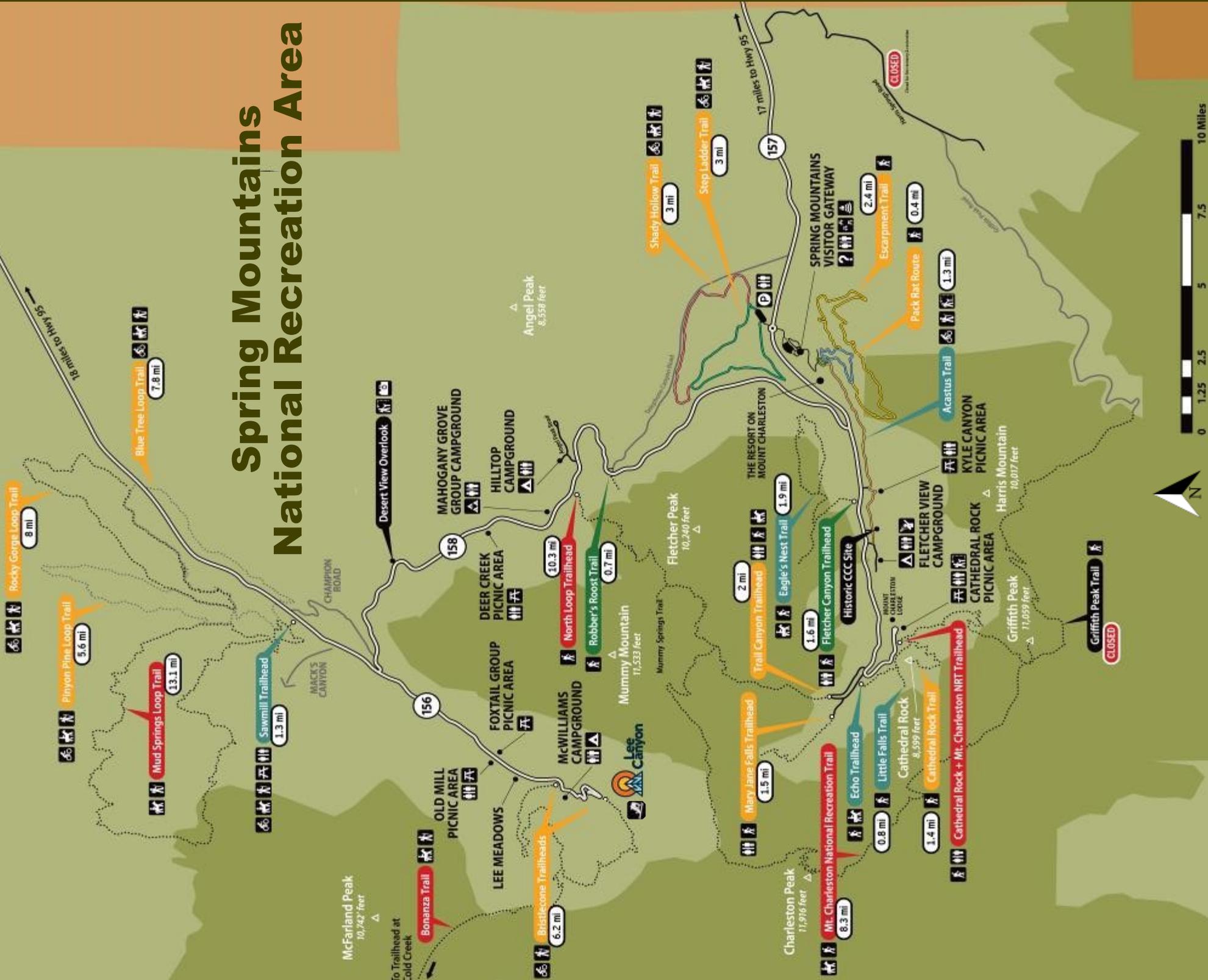


# Spring Mountains National Recreation Area



# VISITOR INFORMATION

## TIPS FOR A GREAT VISIT

**PICNICS AND CAMPING.** For campsite or large group picnic area, reservations, please call 877-444-6777 or visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov). If you choose to picnic outside of the developed areas make sure you are not on private property. Leave no trash or food behind.

**CAMPFIRES ALLOWED IN DEVELOPED CAMPGROUNDS.** Fires must be in a campground fire ring. Please check with the Visitor Center for current status and further regulations.

**PETS—KEEP THEM ON A LEASH.** Pets must be on a leash in developed sites such as campgrounds and picnic areas. On trails, it is safer to keep pets leashed to avoid contact with other animals and hikers. And of course, please clean up after your pets.

**BE COURTEOUS.** Please be considerate of fellow visitors so that everyone has a great experience. While hiking, you may see horseback riders and mountain bikers. Motorized vehicles are prohibited on some trails, please ask the visitor center for details.

**CELL PHONES—LIMITED RECEPTION.** Much of Lee Canyon has no reception. Reception in Kyle canyon is limited.

**DRINKING WATER—LIMITED AVAILABILITY.** The Visitor Center, some developed campgrounds and most picnic areas have drinking water from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Don't drink untreated water from streams or springs.

**TRASH—FIND A DUMPSTER OR TAKE IT HOME.** Dumpsters are located only at the Visitor Center and developed camping and picnic areas. If you can't get to a dumpster, please take trash back home.

**TOILETS.** Toilets are available at the Visitor Center and developed camping and picnic areas. If you are unable to find a toilet, dig a hole to bury toilet paper and human waste. Cover and disguise the hole when finished.

**DEHYDRATION AND HEAT STRESS.** Drink plenty of water, wear sunscreen and a hat.

**HYPOTHERMIA—TAKE A JACKET.** Hypothermia is possible even in mid-summer at cooler high elevations. Bring extra clothes to stay warm and dry.

**BE AWARE OF WILDERNESS AREAS.** Watch for wilderness boundary signs so you'll know when you've entered the wilderness area. Motorized vehicle use, bicycles, mechanized equipment, and geocaching are not allowed in the wilderness areas.

**DON'T ERASE THE TRACES OF AMERICA'S PAST.** Archaeological and historic sites hold clues to America's past. If disturbed, a part of our heritage may be lost forever. Historic sites and artifacts on federal lands are protected by federal law. If you discover such remains, please leave them undisturbed.

The Spring Mountains rise up out of the Mojave Desert to provide a forested, spring fed oasis that offers a haven for wildlife, a cool retreat for visitors, a sacred area for Native people and a vital watershed fed by numerous springs.

These "sky islands" support seven diverse life zones with a wide variety of plants and wildlife including 26 species not found anywhere else in the world. The higher elevations are dominated by Bristlecone pines, which are possibly the world's oldest living organisms.

The Nuwuvi (Southern Paiute) people, whose traditional territory included area around the mountains, consider the Spring Mountains their creation place. They think of the mountains as powerful yet delicate, and to sustain this balance Nuwuvi treat all beings with the utmost respect. We can all continue honoring that tradition by caring for this fragile environment.

For more information, events, and more:  
[www.GoMtCharleston.com](http://www.GoMtCharleston.com)

US Forest Service information:  
[fs.usda.gov/main/htnf/](http://fs.usda.gov/main/htnf/)

Emergency: dial 911

Road conditions: Dial 511



■ Easy ■ Moderate ■ More Difficult ■ Most Difficult

National Forest	Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	State Highways
National Forest Wilderness	BLM Wilderness	Forest Roads
State Park	Other - including private	Trails

Campground	Restroom	Ski Area	Hiking Trail	Equestrian Trail
Information	Overlook	Showers	Cycling Trail	Interpretive Trail
Parking	Picnic Area	Ampitheater		

\*All distances are one-way except trails marked "loop"