

Swamp Lake Trail Run Announcement

Date/ Trail Leaders:

- Run With Camping Friday July 26th thru Sunday July 28th. Trail Leader Suhag Patel
- Run With Camping Friday July 26th thru Sunday July 28th. Trail Leader Aaron/Corri

RSVP:

- You Must RSVP with Suhag Patel (sppatel1982@yahoo.com, or 909-730-0950) by July 15th, 2019.
- You Must RSVP with Aaron/Corri (jeep4fun.aw@gmail.com, or 951-237-0313) by July 15th, 2019.

Meeting Time:

- Swamp Lake 3 day Trip, Meet at Shaver Lake Gas (41801 Tollhouse Rd., Shaver Lake, CA 93664) **on Friday July 26th at 9:00 AM**. Plan on exiting the trail on Sunday July 28th at Tamarack Snow Park in Shaver Lake around 3:00 PM.
- Swamp Lake 2 day trip, Meet at Shave Lake gas **Saturday July 27th, at 9:00 AM**. Camp out with Suhag's group on Saturday night and exit the trail as one big group.

Campground:

- We will be camping at Swamp Lake Friday night and Saturday night. There are pit toilets, fire rings, and nothing else available. Please bring all food, water, supplies, etc. necessary.
- For the day run plan on bringing a lunch, camera, chairs, and spare parts.

Difficulty Rating and Trail Description:

- Black Diamond, "Most Difficult"
- Required for long wheelbase (> 101"):
 - 35's and a rear locker, front locker or winch.
- Required for short wheelbase:
 - 33's and a rear locker, front locker or winch required.
- **Body damage possible, rollover possible. Driver beware.**
- This is my favorite trail hands-down. It has beautiful scenery and wonderful lakes, but it is difficult. The trail is harder than John Bull in many spots and is approximately 14 miles long. If you break down, you may have to leave your rig and come back with parts or drag it out. I've been on this trail three times, twice with my land cruiser once with my 4runner. I've seen broken axles, power steering, and shocks on this trail. Bring spare parts and tools appropriate for your vehicle.
- The trail is difficult and you will be asked questions about your rig, driving experience, and previous trails you have been on, not really a trail suitable for beginners.
- Attached is a link to a video of the trail to give you an idea of what it is like:
 - [Swamp Lake Trail Video](#)

Permits Required: Campfire permit from USDA webpage. Dispersed camping is allowed.

Communications: HAM channel 146.580.

Weather: High's typically in the high 70s or low 80s. Low's in the low 50's or high 40's. Please be aware the trail ranges from about 7500' to 9800' so weather can shift quickly and get cold. Bring Layers.

Note: Swamp lake is a great place to camp, usually there are only a few other people around and the lake has good fishing/swimming. Also, due to a wet winter, expect mosquitoes.

Some Pictures from Past Trips:

