

The Sierra Summit Recreation Area lies within the Tahoe National Forest adjacent to the U.S. Route 40, and embraces the mountainous region from Donner Summit east to Truckee and south to Lake Tahoe, along the main crest of the Sierra.

Across this summit, notably at the saddle between Mt. Lincoln and Donner Peak and the saddle at the head of the North Fork of Squaw Creek, Emigrant trains worked their way during the period immediately following the Donner Expedition, from 1848 into the 50's.

These historic routes were readily followed and the main one up Cold Stream and over the Mt. Lincoln-Donner Peak saddle into Emigrant Valley is now marked with metal signs that are easily followed in summer and by Skiway trail markers in winter.

This is still a Wilderness Area, inasmuch as access is by trail only. There is a county road along the west side from Soda Springs station to the American River, but to get into the area covered by this map one must travel on foot or horseback.

Resorts:

Accommodations are obtainable at Soda Springs Hotel and in hotels at Truckee. Hotels also furnish accommodations at Tahoe City and around the lake. Tourist Cabins and Hotel are available at Donner Lake, and there are Tourist Cabins along the highway  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles west of Truckee.

At Donner Lake there is fishing and boating in summer.

Winter Sports equipment can be obtained at Soda Springs, Tahoe City and Truckee.

Summer Trail Trips

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| 1. Donner Summit to Mt. Lincoln and Squaw Valley | 11 miles          |
| 2. Donner Monument - Tinker Knob                 | 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " |
| 3. Donner Summit to Castle Peak                  | 6 "               |
| 4. Squaw Valley to 5 Lakes                       | 4 "               |
| 5. Deer Park to 5 Lakes                          | 2 "               |

Winter Trips

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| 6. Sierra Club - Sugar Bowl                       | 2 "                |
| 7. Sugar Bowl - Mt. Lincoln                       | 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |
| 8. Sierra Club - Donner Monument (via Sugar Bowl) | 9 "                |
| 9. Mt. Lincoln - Anderson Peak                    | 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |
| " - Tinker Knob                                   | 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |
| " - Squaw Valley trail summit                     | 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |
| " - Granite Chief                                 | 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |
| " - Squaw Peak                                    | 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |
| " - 5 Lakes                                       | 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " |
| " - Truckee River Highway at Bear Creek           | 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ " |

Highways:

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| Norden to Truckee     | 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ |
| Truckee to Tahoe City | 15               |

Note: Winter Trips indicated above are for experienced mountaineers and

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