

# BIGHORN CAMPGROUND GUIDELINES

The Friends of the Eastern Slopes spend many volunteer hours and funds in maintenance and improvements to the campground and its facilities. Please help to *keep* this campground open to the public by observing the following guidelines.

- 1) **Camping is allowed only at the Bighorn Campground, including a designated tenting area. Random camping is not permitted on YaHa Tinda Ranch property.**
- 2) **Campsite cannot be left unattended for more than two days. Special permission may be granted for certain circumstances.**
- 3) **Duration of stay is limited to fourteen days. Special permission may be granted for certain circumstances.**
- 4) **Cutting of live or dead trees for firewood is prohibited. Fires are allowed only within the confines of the Big Horn Campground. The use of gas burning camp stoves instead of wood fires is encouraged.**
- 5) **A) Motorized vehicles are not permitted off of the main Ranch road without a restricted activity permit. B) Unauthorized OHV's and/or horsedrawn vehicles are not permitted on Ya Ha Tinda Ranch property, including the main Ranch road and Bighorn Campground**
- 6) **Horses must be tied in the tie stalls or high lines provided, tied to your trailer, or high lined between trailers. High lining from trees is no longer permitted due to the significant damage which has occurred over the years.**
- 7) **Panels — portable corrals made of metal are allowed in designated areas only. Panels are to be attached to the horse trailer and no more than ten feet out from the trailer, or no longer than the length of the trailer. Panels may be placed between hi-line poles. Construction of corrals including rail, rope, electric, or drift fences is not permitted. Cleanliness must be maintained regularly.**
- 8) **Grazing is not permitted on the YaHa Tinda Ranch or campground.**
- 9) **The use of prepared grains or alfalfa cubes, instead of hay to feed your horse is encouraged to avoid introduction of non-native plants and noxious weeds to the area. If hay must be used, a hay net or feed tub is required. Clean up excess hay and twine and take them out with you.**
- 10) **Dogs are the responsibility of the owners and the owner will be held accountable in the event that they create an accident. Consequently, they are expected to be under full control at all times or on a leash. Note that provincial and federal park legislation requires a leash or confinement. Fines may be issued!**
- 11) **Ride single file on established trails to avoid trail braiding. Keep horses from skirting puddles and minor obstacles to avoid widening and deterioration of trails. Riding or biking in posted ranch pastures is prohibited.**
- 12) **Garbage handling facilities and removal are not supplied; therefore, we ask that you take your garbage out with you. Do not dispose of garbage in the out-houses. Outhouses are provided for your convenience - keep them clean.**
- 13) **Staging area parking is located in the Bighorn Campground at the north end.**
- 14) **YaHa Tinda stock is not to be chased, harassed or molested in any way.**
- 15) **This area is acknowledged to be within Grizzly Bear range. To alleviate problems, excess feed including grain and complete feed must be cleaned up at all times and kept out of reach. Human food, cooking and eating utensils must be inaccessible to bears.**
- 16) **Horse manure must be disposed of in the pit by the approach to the campground.**
- 17) **Use of generators and excessive noise must not continue past 10:00 pm. Fireworks are not permitted.**
- 18) **At the end of your stay, your camp site should look as though it had not been used.**

**YOUR COOPERATION IN CONFORMING TO THE ABOVE RULES WILL HELP ENSURE THAT THE CAMPGROUND WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR FUTURE USE.**