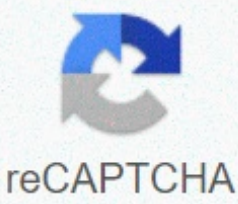




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Expect 8-11 inch classes. Lake First Dinkey can be reached by following Dinkey Creek. Dinkey Creek has its name from a small dog owned by four hunters, Joe Medley, Marion Medley, Joe Folsom and Al Yarborough. Dinkey had an argument with a grizzly bear at this creek in August 1863. The dog was injured and the men called instead of Dinkey. Dinkey Creek is a freestone stream with many small meadows that occasionally turn a stream into a meadow stream. The creek is mostly known for Brookies, but also has some resident Rainbows and Browns. The trail from Camp Dinky Creek will take you there. It's about 12 miles from the trail with 3,000 feet of gain. The next route to the area is through Courtright Reservoir, where the trail follows Helms Creek. The trail is about 15 km from Lake First Dinky with an 800ft gain. Helms Creek starts at Rock Lake and is a freestone creek with Brookies and Rainbows. Other lakes include: Second Dinkey Lake: (altitude: 9,650 feet), consists of Brookies. Mystery Lake: (altitude: 8,850 feet) consists of Brookies. Swedish Lake: (altitude: 9,100 feet), consists of Rainbows. South Lake: (altitude: 9,250 feet), consists of Brookies. Island Lake: (altitude: 9,800 feet), consists of Goldens. Rock lake: (altitude: 9600 feet), consists of Brookies. Cliff Lake: (altitude: 9,400 feet), consists of Rainbows and Brookies. From the trailhead at Tamarack Creek you can reach the following lakes: West Lake: (altitude: 8,800 feet), consisting of BrookiesRed Lake: (altitude: 9,000 feet), consisting of Rainbows Co. Lakeyote: (altitude: 9,000 feet), consists of Rainbows and BrookiesBeryl Lake: (altitude: 8,790 feet), consisting of BrookiesTamarack Creek consisting of Rainbows, and Brookies. It's also a freestone creek with a large meadow off the south fork, Tamarack Meadow 4 wd road from Dinkey Creek takes you east to the trail from Laurel Creek. From here you can get:Swamp Lake: (altitude: 9,100 feet), consists of Rainbows and Brookies. Trails End Picnic Area - a very popular and picturesque area located at the end of the road along Dinkey Creek. Tables and toilets are available. Dinkey Creek Campground - numerous locations with flat areas for camping. Toilets have not been upgraded to accommodate wheelchairs. Motorhomes of different sizes can be easily accommodated. McKinley Grove Botanic Area - located six miles behind Dinkey Creek on McKinley Grove Road. An accessible paved nature trail winds through towering giant redwoods. There is a picnic and wheelchair-accessible toilets. The Dinkey Creek recreation area is located along the beautiful Dinkey Creek in the Sierra National Forest and includes the historic Dinkey Bridge. The Dinkey Historic Bridge is a redwood, bowstrung arched truss bridge that may be the only one of its kind in California. It was among the first bridges in America to utilize steel, split-ring wood-joining devices; design that gave wooden bridges the power to bear heavy costs. This bridge was built in 1938 and is registered in the National Register of Historic Places. McKinley Grove is just minutes from Dinkey Creek. McKinley Grove is a cobblestone, accessible interpretive trail that winds through a grove of old and towering giant redwoods along McKinley Grove Road. The views of these wonderful trees are spectacular. Picnic areas and wheelchair-accessible toilets are also available. Dinkey Creek is a popular spot for avid creek fishermen wanting a hoop with rainbow trout. The limit is five per day, ten in possession. The fishing season starts on the last weekend of April and continues until November 15. Contact the High Sierra Ranger District Office at (559) 855-5355 to confirm the fishing season. You must have a valid California state fishing license and all state fishing regulations apply. To get there, take Hwy 168 east of Clovis to Dinkey Creek Road (just before you get to Lake Shaver). Take Dinkey Creek Road east to Dinkey Creek. Forest Service Ranger Station is open in summer, Thursday to Monday. In the local area there are private enterprises (shops, cabins) that provide public services. Pet Friendly Notes Pets are welcome. However, when in campsites, public beaches or on the trails local ordinances require pets to be on a leash. As a consideration for others, please refrain from taking pets to the beach to avoid contamination. The Dinkey Creek Recreation Area is a popular area for its campsites, picnic areas, cottages, shop, fishing and hiking. There is a public equestrian stable Dinkey Creek is also a popular swimming pool with large swimming pools and sandy beaches for swimmers. There is no lifeguard on duty and swimming is not recommended in the spring when the water level is high. The campsite and picnic area is located on a large sandy apartment above the river. Cedar and pine provide pleasant shading. Shading.

