

# Yosemite Wilderness Travel Plan

Thank you for being my responsible point of contact while I'm on a wilderness trip in Yosemite National Park. The following is information of my trip that I used to plan. At the bottom is information about what to do if I am not in contact with you within 24 hours of my expected return date.

## Trip Details:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Group Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Trailhead: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expected return date and trailhead: \_\_\_\_\_  
What color is your pack? Tent? \_\_\_\_\_ (optional: Take photo)  
Planned Route: \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Intended Camping Location

Alternative Plan based on potential weather or hazards: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Trip Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Yosemite/Sierra Backpacking Experience:    novice    intermediate    experienced

Vehicle Make/Model/Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Parking Location: \_\_\_\_\_

## Equipment/Clothing/Food profile:

Ultralight/minimalist/no extra    Moderate/some extra    Extra/just in case

## Navigation equipment (check all that apply):

Paper Map    Magnetic Compass    Electronic Compass:    GPS    App installed on phone

None (**not recommended**)

## Satellite communication device (check all that apply):

Satellite communication devices may be helpful but have some limitations. See note on previous page for more information.

None    SPOT<sup>^</sup>    Satellite phone  
inReach    PLB (GPS enabled Y/N)    Other \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>^</sup> Note: SPOT devices **may fail to transmit** "OK" or other message if turned off within about 45 minutes of attempting to send in areas of limited satellite coverage in mountainous/wooded terrain such as Yosemite. **A failed check-in does not necessarily constitute an emergency.** Ordinary factors such as a satellite communication error, low/dead battery, device malfunction (i.e. fell into a lake) or just plain forgetfulness are more likely.

**Remember, there is little to no cell reception in most areas of Yosemite, and signal devices cannot be relied on to communicate or to notify friends and family I am OK. If you have not heard from me by 24 hours after my expected return date, call Yosemite Emergency Communication Center at 209-379-1992 and report me as overdue from a Wilderness Trip.**