Welcome to the Prescott Basin

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Dispersed Camping is . . .

. . . camping outside of developed campgrounds. In contrast to camping in developed campgrounds, dispersed camping is more primitive, and no facilities or services—such as trash collection, water, and toilets—are provided.

Be Careful With Fire

- Use only dead and down wood that fits in the fire ring.
- Burn all fires down to ash.
- To extinguish your fire, pour water and stir with a shovel until cold.
- Feel for heat. If the extinguished campfire is too hot to touch, it is too hot to leave!

Trash

- You must dispose of your trash.
- Pack it in, pack it out!
- Do not put cans, glass, aluminum foil or any non-paper trash into the fire ring.

When you find . . .

- Be careful with fire
- Keep campfires small and contained
- Use only dead and down wood
- Do not use gas or charcoal grills
- Make sure your fire is dead out before you leave!
- Campfires are allowed only in fire rings provided.
- There is no garbage service—pack it in, pack it out!
- Bury human waste 6 to 8 inches deep and at least 200 feet from water sources and campsites.
- Defecate at least 200 feet from water sources and campsites.

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