# MCMWTC BRIDGEPORT MILITARY HOUSING WELCOME PACKET



### Welcome to the U.S. Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center!

The Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center (MCMWTC) is located in one of the most popular recreational areas in California. MCMWTC is located 25 miles north of Bridgeport, CA. Military housing is 22 miles north of MCMWTC. MCMWTC is at an elevation of 6765ft above sea level. MCMWTC is roughly 100 miles south of Reno, NV. During our winter months the temps can drop to as low as -20 up at the base (This is rare!). Snow fall can also reach up to 8ft during a heavy storm up at the base or Lake Tahoe (also rare!). Snowfalls and temperatures are considerably milder at Family Housing due to the lower elevation. You are now stationed at one of the most unique Marine Corps bases in the world. We encourage you to take advantage of your time here. Get out and explore the area! You can enjoy scenic hikes, fishing, camping, hunting, and horseback riding. If you enjoy more of a city life, then Carson City or Reno Nevada are close enough for a day trip. We welcome you and hope you enjoy your stay. We want to make your stay here feel like home as much as possible. Attached is some helpful information for you. Please reach out with any questions or concerns that you may have.

### WELCOME TO THE U.S.M.C. MOUNTAIN WARFARE TRAINING CENTER

MWTC WAS CREATED IN 1951 BY A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S.MARINE CORPS AND THE U.S.FOREST SERVICE. THE CENTER TRAINS MARINES TO SURVIVE AND FIGHT IN MOUNTAIN AND COLD WEATHER ENVIRONMENTS ON 46 000 ACRES OF THE TOIYABE NATIONAL FOREST. THE AREA BEHIND THE BASE CAMP IS OPEN TO PUBLIC USE.



### **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Base Directory (760) 932-1400 MCX (Base Housing) (530) 495-1057 MCX (Base) (760) 932-1525 Barber shop (760) 932-1530 ITT program for ticket info (760) 932-1531 Semper Fit Fitness Center and Outdoor Rec Center (760) 932-1522 Chaplain (760) 932-1630 Lincoln Military Housing (877) 498-2607 Housing Maintenance Requests (888) 578-4141 or (210) 225-5564 Child Development Center (530) 495-2640 or (530) 495-2644 Commissary (530) 495-1272 (Open Tues-Sat) Family & Bachelor Housing Director Michael Taylor Cell (858) 361-1084 Housing Management Assistant Amanda Coriaarmenta Office (530) 495-2534, Cell (559) 313-8159 Direct TV (800) 347-3288 Post Office (530) 495-2133 School: Antelope Elementary (530) 495-2541, Coleville High School (530) 495-2231 School Liaison Officer (404) 285-0769 Internet services: Schat Net (760) 873-4377, Mono Broadband (530) 208-6259 Frontier (888) 443-2977

### LOCAL HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

#### **BRIDGEPORT**

- o Walker River Lodge: 760-932-7021
- Virginia Creek Settlement: 760-932-7780
- Silver Maple Inn: 760-932-7383
- o Ruby Inn: 760-932-7241
- Bridgeport Inn: 760-932-7380
- Rhino's Bar & Grille: 760-932-7345

#### o Burger Barn: 760-932-7775

- o Sportsmen Bar/Grill: 760-932-7020
- o Sportsmen Inn: 760-932-9922
- o Jolly Cone: 760-932-7555
- High Sierra Bakery: 760-914-4002
- o Three Mexican Café: 760-616-4829

#### HOTELS COLEVILLE/WALKER AREA

- Meadow cliff Lodge & RV Resort: 530-495-2255
- D Toiyabe Motel: 877-333-0059
- o Sierra Retreat: 888-Sierra-8
- o Andrus Motel: 877-495-2216
- West Walker Motel-530-495-2263

#### TOPAZ LAKE HOTELS / RESTAURANTS

- o Best Western: 775-266-4000
- Topaz Lodge and Casino: 775-266-3338
- o Topaz Lake RV Park: 530-495-2357
- Lakeview Coffee Shop: 775-266-3338

#### WALKER RESTAURANTS

- Mountain View BBQ: we try to support our locals (they also offer military discount)
- Open from Feb-Nov: 530-495-2107
  Walker Burger: Open May-Oct: 530-495-2219
- Walker Coffee Company: Open year round in Walker and also located on base: 530-495-1888



### **OUTDOOR AREAS TO EXPLORE**

**YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK:** Yosemite is about a 2.5 hour drive from Bridgeport. It is known for its glorious waterfalls, the giant sequoias, and 1200 square miles of pure beauty. Yosemite provides a variety of outdoor adventures for you to explore. This includes camping, hiking, rock climbing, fishing, tours, horseback riding and so much more!





**BODIE STATE HISTORIC PARK:** The town of Bodie is an old ghost town. Bodie is located about 12 miles from the town of Bridgeport. The town became a Boom Town in 1876 after the discovery of gold. In 1915, the town declined, became a ghost town, and eventually a State park.

**LEAVITT MEADOWS PACK STATION:** The pack station is a fun way to support a family owned business. The pack station is only a 10 minute drive from the base. They are a seasonal business. They are usually open from May to October. They offer horseback riding day trips to the lake where you can explore the beautiful surroundings and end up at either 2 lakes or the beautiful falls. They also offer overnight base camp trips as well.



### **SONORA PASS & KENNEDY MEADOWS**







Sonora Pass is a great day trip with the family. It is about a 45 minutes drive from the base. It is a fun drive with amazing scenery. The Sonora Pass is the second highest pass in the Sierra Nevada's. The top of the pass is at 9,624 feet elevation. The pass is extremely steep and has narrow pathways. It has grades up to 26%. At the top of the pass you can see where the Pacific Crest Trail runs through it. The Pacific Crest Trail is a 2650 mile long scenic trail that starts at the Mexican border and goes to the Canadian border. In 1852 the Sonora Pass was used to pass merchant interests by wagon to Sonora and Columbia. Approximately 10 miles past Sonora Pass is the Kennedy Meadows Resort. Sonora Pass and Kennedy Meadows is a great day trip. Go take a drive. Get out and make some memories!

### LAKES TO VISIT IN THE SURROUNDING AREAS

•Bridgeport Reservoir: This Lake is known for great fishing and its stunning views. It has some of the largest rainbow trout and brown trout in the area. The lake can get to 50 ft deep when it's full. It is about 11 miles in length of shoreline. To get here you will need to follow the Sweetwater Road/Hwy 182 north of Bridgeport.

•Grant Lake: This is the largest lake that is part of the June Lake loop. The lake is more than three miles long. This is another great spot for rainbow trout fishing. June Lake is located about 8 miles out on Highway 158. It's about 11 miles from the small town of Lee Vining.

•Hot Creek: If you prefer to fly fish this is your spot. They say this is a fun and challenging spot to fish. The scenery is gorgeous, and the creek was used in one of the scenes from the classic John Wayne's, "True Grit".

•Lundy Lake: This Lake is located about 5 miles from the town of Lee Vining. This lake is always overlooked and forgotten about. This is a much smaller lake of around 100 acres. The lake offers great fishing. The good thing about this lake is it's not overly crowded.

•Silver Lake: This amazing lake is snuggled up in the mountains. This is the home to the oldest fishing spot in the area. This natural lake is about 110 acres. This is a popular fishing, swimming, and a home for those love kayaking. The lake is located on HWY 158 close to June Lake.

•Virginia Lakes: This is another hidden gem. It's a great spot to get away from everyday life. The lake is located 6 miles off the 395 between Lee Vining and Bridgeport. Great for fishing and camping.



•Convict Lake: This is a never seen before lake. You will not want to miss this opportunity. Great for fishing and camping. The lake is famous for how it got its name. In 1871 a posse trapped a group of convicts that escaped from Carson City. There was a shoot-out and most inmates were eventually caught and put to justice.

•South Lake Tahoe: This is not part of Mono County but you will not want to miss out on seeing this gorgeous attraction. People come from all over the world to visit Lake Tahoe. The lake is great for a family day trip or weekend. The water is a magnificent crystal-clear blue. Lake Tahoe is the 2<sup>nd</sup> deepest lake in the United States. The lake is 122,160,280 acres.

•June Lake: If you want to see a picture perfect lake, this is the spot. It has striking crystal-clear water surrounding the water's edge. June Lake is famous for its camping and fishing. It's located off the 395 on Highway 158.

•Mammoth Lakes Basin: Who does not want to visit Mammoth? Mammoth is known for its world famous ski slopes. The lake is known for camping and bear sighting.

•**Topaz Lake:** This is a commonly used lake and about 15 minutes from housing and 40 minutes from the base. It's located off the 395 and half the lake is in Nevada and half in California. The lake is a great family time for swimming, fishing and enjoying the weather.

•Gull Lake: This is part of the June Lake Loop. This is the smaller of the lakes around 60 acres. This is a fun kids spot, and great for picnics as well as fishing.

•Saddlebag Lake: This Lake is located at the high elevation of 10,080. This lake makes you feel like you are on top of a mountain away from the world. The lake is known for the golden trout and brook.

•Twin Lakes: These 2 lakes have some of the most incredible fishing. They are the Upper Twin and Lower Twin. This is located just outside of Bridgeport. The camping is unforgettable. Upper Twin is over 400 acres and Lower Twin is at 250 acres.



# **HIKING AND BACKPACKING**

•Rock Creek Canyon: This trail is perfect for friends and family. It is considered relatively easy. The trail is about 5-10 miles round trip. This trail is located at the top of Rock Creek Canyon Rd.

•Convict Lake Trail: This Lake is quite serene and peaceful. The trail is about 2 miles long around the lake. It is spectacular during fall with extravagant fall colors. You will get to see the lake as well as the gentle aspen trees.

•Crystal Lake Trail: This trail is located near Mammoth. This hike is a moderate 4-mile hike. You will experience exquisite lakes, red mountains and green forests.

•Parker Lake Trail: The trail is located off Highway 158 and is part of the June Lake Loop. You get spectacular views. This is located at the base of the Sierra Nevada's. The trail is considered easy to moderate. The hike is a 4 miles round trip. This hike is also located close to June Lake's Village. It is a cute village you and the family will not want to miss. June Lake has souvenir shops, homemade candy, restaurants, and a brewery.

•Tioga Pass- This is a moderate 4.2 mile hike. This loop lets you view numerous lakes along the way. It even has a boat taxi that is available to the trailhead. If you want a more adventurous hike you can start at the parking lot to add 2-3 more miles.

•Lundy Canyon Trail: This is a trail you don't want to miss during the fall season. You get to experience the fall colors, wildflower, waterfalls and the beaver dam. The trail is a moderate hike at 4.6 miles round trip.

•Robinson Creek Trail: If you can handle the 10-mile strenuous hike, then be prepared for a treat. You will get to travel across the alpine meadows and numerous lakes. You will even get to see an old mining cabin. Once you reach the end you will arrive at Summit Pass and be able to view Saw tooth Ridge.

•Walker: This is some of the most stunning scenes you will see over the Sonora Pass. This is surrounded by the spacious mountains. You will start at the Leavitt Meadow and will get to explore two of the High Sierra Lakes. This is about a 6.8 mile hike round trip.

•Yost Lake Trail: This is a moderate hike of 4.8 miles. You will get to overlook the beautiful June Lake. You will also get to view streams and exquisite scenery.



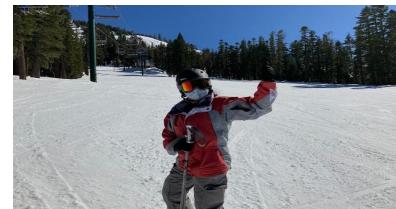
# **SKI RESORTS IN THE AREA**

The area boasts word class skiing and boarding! All of the resorts offer amazing Military Discounts! (Up To 80%). Mono County Students Ski at Mammoth & June Mtn. for \$5 per day! If you do not know how to snowboarding or have never been skiing, this is the time (and the place!) to go and learn with the family. SEASON PASS INFORMATION

- Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort 10001 Minaret Rd Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546 800-626-6684
- June Mountain Ski Resort 3819 Highway 158 June Lake, CA 93529 888-586-368
- Kirkwood Mountain Resort
  1501 Kirkwood Meadows Dr. Kirkwood, CA 95646
   844-471-3753
- Bear Valley
  2280 SR 207
  Arnold, CA ,
  209-753-2301

- Squaw Valley Ski Resort 1960 Squaw Valley Rd Olympic Valley, CA 96146 800-403-0207
- Heavenly Mountain Resort 4080 Lake Tahoe Blvd South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150 775-586-7000
- Sierra at Tahoe
  1111 Sierra at Tahoe Rd
  Twin Bridges, CA 95735
- Mount Rose Ski Resort
  22222 Mount Rose Hwy
  Reno, NV 89511
  775-849-0704
- Sugar Bowl Resort Norden, CA 95724 530-426-9000

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### **OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION**

## WHERE YOU CAN OBTAIN YOUR FISHING OR HUNTING LICENSE:

Ken's Sporting Goods 258 Main St Bridgeport, CA 93517 760-932-7707

Walker General Store 106651 US Highway 395 Coleville, CA 96107 530-495-2911

Topaz Chevron 1979 US Highway 395 Gardnerville, NV 89410 775-266-3338

Online: https://wildlife.ca.gov/licensing/online-sales

### Ski & Snowboard Equipment Rentals and Sales:

MCCS Outdoor Recreation (on Base, Rentals Only) (760) 932-1522 Play it Again Sports – Carson City (775) 267-3390 Blue Zone Sports – Carson City (775) 267-3106 Big Daddy's Bike, Ski, & Board – Gardnerville (775) 782-7077

### **Grocery Shopping:**

Commissary - located on base housing

Walmart - Gardnerville about 35 minutes from base housing Costco - located in Carson City about a hour drive from base housing

Raley's - located in Gardnerville about 35 minutes from base housing

Grocery Outlet - located in Gardnerville about 35 minutes from base housing

Smith's - located in Gardnerville about 35 minutes from base housing

### Base housing amenities at Lincoln Military Housing

- Lincoln Military Housing offers community events
- Fitness Center
- Indoor swimming pool
- Gym access
- Parks/Basketball courts
- Storage units available for rent from MCX
- Commissary/MCX located on base housing
- Outdoor Fitness area (COMING SOON!)