Coastal Recreation in San Luis Obispo County

Here's a snapshot of San Luis Obispo County's spectacular coastline with a sampling of beach activities. From the rugged cliffs of the north coast to the sunny shores of the south, the opportunities for recreation are abundant and diverse. Miles and miles of coastal recreation coexists with acres of green spaces, open spaces and preserved natural resources. The Central Coast is unrivaled in its bounty of places where we can play...and protect.

Beach Activities # Beach Name Piedras Blancas - A San Simeon State Beach - C San Simeon Acres Beach - B Estero Bluffs - C Cayucos State Beach - B,C South Cayucos State Beach - C Morro Strand State Beach - D 8 Morro Rock City Beach - C 9 Coleman Beach - D 10 Baywood Park - B 11 Spooner's Cove - C 12 Avila Beach - E Shell Beach/Pismo Beach - F 13 Pismo State Beach - C 14 15 Oceano Dunes - G Oso Flaco Lake - C Guadalupe National Wildlife Refuge -Rancho Guadalupe Preserve - I

- Cayucos Point

 Cayuco
- Cayucos State Beach

 South Cayucos State Beach

 North Point

 Morro Strand State Beach

 Morro Rock

 City Beach

 Morro Rock

Contributing public land managers

** Cayucos Pier to Studio Dr.

† Not during the day on the main beach

‡ Allowed October 1^{5t} through February 28th

- A The Bureau of Land Management 805-927-2968
- B San Luis Obispo County 805-781-4089
- C State Parks San Luis Obispo Coast District 805-927-2065
- D City of Morro Bay 805-772-6282
- E Port San Luis Harbor District 805-595-5400
- F City of Pismo Beach 805-773-4657
- G State Parks Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
- H Guadalupe-Nipomo National Wildlife Refuge for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services 805-343-9151
- I Rancho Guadalupe Dunes Preserve managed by the Center for Natural Lands Management for Santa Barbara County 805-343-2354

When we respect our beach neighbors, there can be a place for everyone.

How Much Recreation? 100 90 80 70 60 60 40 30 20 10 Percentages of Available Activities for San Luis Obispo County Beaches



Oceano Dunes



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