



THE WILDLANDS — CONSERVANCY —

To Kern Astronomical Society (c/o Jerry Nelson):

Wind Wolves Preserve (WWP) is able to grant your organization after-hours access on **Saturday, June 13th and Saturday, July 11th, 2026**, as described in detail below.

- Members can arrive any time between 7:30 pm and 8:15 pm. Check in with WWP staff at the entrance gate, letting them know you are with the Kern Astronomical Society. The Preserve will be hosting a public program on both dates and participants will be arriving as early as 7:45 pm (see below). Preserve hours will be 7:00 am - 4:00 pm. Early arrivals will not be permitted.
- Minors must be accompanied by their parents or guardians at all times.
- Members should park and set up telescopes and any other equipment in the grassy lot, an unpaved area just across from the Administrative Center Parking Lot (see map). At the stop sign near the Administrative Center, you will turn left onto the grass. Our program participants will be directed to park in the paved lots. Driving to other areas of the Preserve is not permitted.



- Everyone will need to leave together as a group. Please let us know your expected departure time. We will provide Jerry with a combination code for the front gate. Keep in mind this code changes regularly and will be different for each date. Please follow posted speed limits and watch for wildlife. Remember to lock the date behind you.



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Facilities

You are welcome to use the restrooms on the back side of the Administrative Center (remember to bring a flashlight). WWP does not provide public trash cans, so members will need to pack out any trash.

Preserve Programming

Please be aware that both of your requested dates have previously scheduled public programs - specifically, Stargazing Hikes that will meet at the Administrative Center and use the nearby Red-Tailed Trail. Our entrance gates will lock at 4:00 pm and reopen from 7:30 pm to 8:15 pm to admit registered attendees. The hike will start at 8:30 pm and conclude around 10:00 pm. If members are amenable, we would love to bring participants by after the hike to chat with you. We can make a call that evening, though, based on the number of members and program attendees. All hike participants will need to depart by 10:30; WWP staff will clock off and depart by 10:45 pm.