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No snow? No problem

Oakhurst, CA. – A surprising lack of snow in Yosemite National Park has opened up some unique travel opportunities for people looking for a quick winter getaway.

Perhaps the most exciting opportunity for travelers is the fact that the Tioga Road in Yosemite is still open, something quite rare this time of year.

“Tioga Road, while offering some beautiful views of Yosemite’s country, is a seasonal road. This is the first time that a lot of people can remember it still being open in December. The result is people getting a rare chance to take in the high country beauty during the winter,” said Jarrod Lyman, Director of PR with the Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau.

Travelers can still visit iconic spots in the park like Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoia, Glacier Point and even Tenaya Lake.

“We’ve heard of people ice skating on the lake there, so it’s really something quite special,” Lyman said.

Tourism officials also report that just because there isn’t any snow doesn’t mean there are no winter activities.

“Ice skating at places like Tenaya Lodge in Fish Camp or Curry Village in Yosemite Valley are popular activities right now, and people are having a blast with it,” Lyman said.

Add in the fact that motorists don’t have to worry about chain controls going in to effect as sometimes happens during the winter, and people are finding the lack of precipitation a good excuse to make a special trip to the Yosemite region.

Vacation Planning

There are many options for lodging, dining and other activities in and around Yosemite. To start planning your vacation and to book your room, go to www.YosemiteThisYear.com.

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