

Sacramento County

Ranger Report



American River Parkway

January – December 2011

Law Enforcement on American River Parkway

The data below reflects elevated efforts by the department to deter illegal camping. Along with our efforts, we have a solid partnership with the Sacramento Police Department to conduct sweeps and dismantle the illegal camps.

~ Chief Ranger Stan Lumsden

American River Parkway Crime Statistics- including Bike Trail

	2011				2011	2010
	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Totals	Totals
Violent Crime ¹	0	1	7	1	9	24
Auto Burglaries	2	4	8	7	21	53
Illegal Camping Citations	43	45	33	332	453	29
Theft (non-auto; non-County/Parks Dept victim)	0	0	2	1	3	2
Theft (non-auto; County/Parks Dept victim)	2	1	0	0	3	1
Drunk in Public (arrests)	0	1	7	0	8	19
Health & Safety Codes (Drug related arrests and citations)	0	0	5	0	5	10
Warrant Arrests ²	1	0	5	16	22	23
Parks Ordinance Citations (non-parking tickets)	13	44	73	24	154	164
Other Misdemeanor/Infraction Citations ³	10	38	44	10	102	204
Total	71	134	184	391	780	529

Accident Reports (not including Driver's Report of Accident)- ARP	2011				2011	2010
	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Totals	Totals
Bicycle Accidents (solo, multiple)- on ARP trail	3	13	7	2	25	22
Bicycle Accidents (solo, multiple)- not on ARP trail	2	1	1	0	4	8
Miscellaneous Medical Aid	2	6	4	3	15	25
Drowning	0	0	2	0	2	2
Rope Swing	0	1	1	0	2	0
Total	7	21	15	5	48	57

Ranger Crime Prevention Activities

The American River Parkway:

- Is patrolled seven days a week
- Has daily illegal camping patrols in cooperation with the Sacramento City Police Department
- Has clean-up crews working two days a week cleaning illegal camping debris and trash
- Has multiple partners in enforcing the laws within the Parkway including: Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Cities of Sacramento and Rancho Cordova Police Departments, and Sacramento County Probation Officers

Safety Tips

Parkway users have a personal responsibility for their own safety. They should be alert at all times as the Parkway is a natural area with wild animals, reptiles and plants that flourish in the area. Here are some important safety tips:

- Don't go alone into the Parkway. Bring a friend along to participate in your activity
- If you do go alone, make sure to tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return
- Obey the traffic laws of the bike trail
- The Parkway is closed between dusk and dawn
- If you have a cell phone, carry it with you
- Suspected illegal activities in the Parkway can be reported by contacting Ranger Dispatch at 875-7275

¹Examples of Violent Crime that are investigated in the Parkway: murder, forcible rape, assault, robbery.

²Warrant Arrests: arrests that are made after a background check on an individual shows that a warrant has been issued for his/her arrest.

³Examples of Other Misdemeanors: assault and battery, indecent exposure, lewd conduct, liquor violation, disorderly conduct, vandalism, weapons.