

## **COMMUNITY OF THE GREAT COMMISSION (THE COMMUNITY)**

The Community is located 7 miles outside of Foresthill, CA, (approximately 45 minutes from Auburn) in the Sierra Foothills at an elevation of 4,000 feet. It occupies 430 secluded acres of Mother Lode Country, on a ridge that provides a great view of the Lake Tahoe Crystal Range. Trails of red soil interweave the camp through a forest of tall ponderosa pines, sugar pines, firs, and cedars. The 2 lodging areas are widely separated from one another; Claar House (an adult only retreat center) and the Bobbitt Cabin area. The Site Director's house is located at the entrance to camp, and the camp office is in Irvin Dining Hall.

The Christian Church of Northern California owns the camp.

**LODGING:** **BOBBITT AREA** has **8** cabins, each sleeping **10** persons. All of the cabins are propane heated, but there is no air conditioning. Each cabin has a front porch with steps and some have railings. The floors are tiled and the lights are overhead. The cabins have electrical outlets. All have 2 entrances. All cabins have baths with one toilet, one sink, and one shower (hot and cold water).

A centrally located bathhouse has men's and women's sections. The bathhouse is closed in the winter months. There are 3 toilets, 3 sinks, and 3 showers in the women's section; 1 urinal, 2 toilets, 3 sinks and 3 showers in the men's section.

A room with 2 double beds, desk and a first aid cabinet in Bobbitt Hall has been used for the cook or group leader, and as the infirmary. Adjoining is a bathroom with a shower.

**CLAAR HOUSE**, an adult only facility, is located about a 5-minute walk from Irvin Dining Hall and a 10-minute walk from the Bobbitt Area. There is a large meeting area with a fireplace and central heat. An A/C window unit is available in the main meeting area. Claar House can accommodate **20** people in 7 different bedrooms.

- There are four rooms, each with 2 single beds, a full bath, and a closet with shelf space.
- There are two rooms with 4 single beds and no bath or closet. Those using these rooms use the men's or women's bathroom in the hallway of Claar house.
- There is one room with 4 single beds, a full bath, and a closet.

**THE TENT AREA** Currently not available.

**DINING:** **IRVIN DINING HALL** serves as the dining hall for all groups with meal service. It is 1870-sq. ft. with seating for 100. Each round dining table seats 6-8 guests. This newly built (2005) building is well lit with views of the Crystal Range in the Tahoe National forest. The building and both bathrooms are handicap accessible. The building has both central heat and A/C. Meals are served cafeteria style from this state of the art kitchen. Adjacent to the main dining room is a private, carpeted meeting room with a seating capacity of 20. Food and drink are not allowed in the meeting room.

UCCR staff uses the kitchen at Irvin Dining Hall only.

**BOBBITT HALL** has a dining/meeting area that can fit **60 (comfortably)**. It has 4 tables that seat 6-8 each. The kitchen is used by own cooking groups (never by UCCR staff), and has a 4-burner stove with oven, 2 large stainless steel sinks (one triple for dishwashing), 2 refrigerators w/ freezer, 1 microwave, coffeemaker.

Bobbitt groups have the option of doing their own cooking, or having meal service at Irvin Dining Hall. Groups doing their own cooking in Bobbitt should know that there are limited kitchen utensils/cooking supplies and that a group may have to provide their own. A barbecue pit, with 7 picnic tables and a dinner bell is located in the Bobbitt area. Groups use this area. UCCR Staff cannot cook in this area, but we can serve picnic style if requested.

**THE TENT AREA** Currently not available. This area has a cook shed with a sink and 2 very long picnic tables (currently not used). A fire pit/campfire area is also available.

**MEETING:** **BOBBITT HALL** is the main meeting room for the Bobbitt Area and has a ceiling fan, fireplace, piano, tables and chairs, and a large deck w/ a built in bench. It has a high beamed ceiling and is tiled over wood flooring. Bobbitt Hall can hold **50** people with theater style seating. Bobbitt Hall is ramped, but the bathroom is not wheelchair accessible. A "Director's" bedroom is located in Bobbitt Hall. The bedroom has 2 double beds and can be used as a Nurse's station or infirmary. TV/DVD are available upon request.

**CABIN 30**, in the Bobbitt Area is also used as meeting space and crafts room, and can hold **25** people. The cabin is propane heated and has overhead florescent lighting. Cabin 30 is light and airy, with windows all the way around the building. A piano is available.

**CLAAR HOUSE** groups meet on one side of the building. It has a fireplace with a raised hearth and a cedar beamed ceiling. Down one side of the building is a large deck with built-in benches. **Small groups that are only staying at Claar may use the building for meeting space. All other groups should plan on meeting elsewhere.**

**OUTDOOR CHAPEL** is located near the Tent area with 12 - 8' long split log benches and 2 podiums.

The **AMPHITHEATRE** (built in 1991) faces northwest toward Volcano Creek Canyon. Surrounded by oaks, it's a wonderful place for multiple activities, and holds 250 people. A short walk from Bobbitt, water and electricity are available. The stage can be lit at night.

**FIRE CIRCLES** are located in Bobbitt and Tent areas. Site Director's ok necessary for use. CDF regulations apply to all campfires.

## **RECREATION:**

Located near the center of camp, the free form **SWIMMING POOL** is solar heated. The pool area has a pine bathhouse with a women's section including 2 toilet stalls (one of which is handicapped accessible), 1 sink and 1 shower; and a men's section including 1 handicapped accessible toilet stall, 1 urinal, 1 sink and 1 shower. Both sections have a bench and cubby shelves.

An **ACTIVITY PLATFORM**, located in the center of camp, is available for daytime outdoor activity. There is no electricity.

Available activities include **hiking trails, horseshoes, and volleyball & badminton**. Beyond Claar House there is a **grassy area** which may be used as a playing field or for other outdoor activities. There is a **basketball backboard** in the Bobbitt Area. Indoor box hockey game is available upon request. Air hockey and a small pool table are located in Cabin 30.

The Sugar Pine recreation area is 30 minutes from the camp, and has areas for swimming, boating, fishing, and picnics. This area includes OHV trails for snowmobiles, 4 wheelers and dirt bikes.

Easy access to: Historic Michigan Bluff, Tahoe National Forest, cross country skiing, and the American River.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Phone at Bobbitt Hall: (530) 367-2378  
Phone at Claar House: (530) 367-2387  
Regular phone with use of a phone card for long distance.
- Mileage from office: 142      Elevation: 4000'
- Full Wheelchair Access: Irvin Dining Hall is fully accessible.
- Limited Wheelchair Access: Claar and Bobbitt Hall are ramped. The bathhouse at the pool has accessible facilities.
- Parking lots hold 75 cars. Cars must park in the designated areas by the pool, by Claar House, or in the lot next to Irvin Hall.
- TV & VCR/DVD are located in Claar, Bobbitt Hall, and Dining Hall Conference Room.
- Wi-Fi internet available at Bobbitt Hall.
- An RV may plug in near Claar, but it must be self-contained.
- During winter months, vehicles must carry chains. Snow arrives as early as October and as late as May. Please contact the Site Director for road and weather conditions before driving to the facility.