

Point Sur State Historic Park – Film Permit Fees & Basic Requirements

Filming Dates:

- Filming may only occur on **Monday** or **Tuesday** non-holiday dates. Filming may not occur during regularly scheduled tour dates.

Location limitations:

- Fire is not permitted. Smoking is not permitted.
- Accessing the light station at the top is via a ½ mile walk with 360-foot elevation gain.
- Vehicles or any “wheeled” items (such as wagons, wheeled equipment cases, etc) may not be permitted on the road between the parking lot at the base of the rock and the light station. The production’s cast and crew should be prepared for the possibility that they must walk and hand carry all gear up the road to the light station.
- Ranger transportation may be arranged ahead of the shoot date for any persons that are physically unable to walk from the parking area to the light station at the top with a request made by the production company least ten (10) days in.
- Park staff, Rangers, and/or docents will not “ferry” or transport any production gear, equipment, or cast/crew between the parking area at the base of the rock to the light station at the top.
- Cold food and water may be permitted at the top of the rock; however, it must be preapproved, and the food/water area must be kept “crumb clean” by the cast/crew. Craft services may be permitted in the parking area at the base of the rock.
- Weather conditions at the light station are usually cold, foggy, and/or windy, even in summer. Plan accordingly.
- Bounce screens, reflectors, and any other lightweight gear should be weighted down to prevent flying away. Ground staking or attaching to any fences, plants, or park structures is strictly prohibited.
- There is no water available at this location; however, there are portable toilets in the parking area and at the light station.

Required Permit Fees:

- \$250/day park review fee.
- \$630 *Ranger* monitor fee per Ranger (for first 6 hours, \$105/hour each additional hour).
- \$224 *Maintenance* monitor fee (for first 4 hours, \$56/hour for each additional hour).
- \$316 *Docent* Monitor fee per Docent (for first 4 hours, \$79 hour for each additional hour). Most film permits require 2 or more docent monitors. Docent monitor fees are paid directly to *Central Coast Lighthouse Keepers (CCLK)*.

Additional Permit Fees:

- \$220 *Interpreter* Monitor fee (for first 4 hours, \$55/hour for each additional hour).
- \$120 *Park Aide* monitor fee per Park Aide (for first 4 hours, \$30/hour each additional hour).
- \$.58/mile portal-to-portal fee. This fee is required for any park staff monitor(s) traveling in their personal vehicle to the film shoot.

At least one (1) Ranger Monitor, one (1) Docent Monitor, and one (1) Maintenance Monitor are required for all film shoots. All Ranger, Maintenance, Interpreter, and Park Aide Monitor hourly rates are portal-to-portal.

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The production must submit their application to the California Film Commission (CFC) at least **twenty-four (24) days in advance** of the first production date and the application process must be completed at the sector level at least ten (10) days prior to the first shoot date. Applications may be submitted online at www.film.ca.gov.

A completed *Film Production Information Forms* with any/all scripts, storyboards, and set design information must be received by the Big Sur Sector film permit office and Big Sur Sector Supervising Rangers at least **twenty (20) days in advance** of first production date.

All emailed documents must be submitted as PDF files. Other file formats will not be accepted.

The following documents that must be received by the Big Sur Sector film permit office, Monterey District Superintendent and Big Sur Sector's management staff at least **fifteen (15) days in advance** of first production date:

- Signed and dated final *Motion Picture Activity Form* (DPR245a).
- A copy of the "*Letter of Notification of Filming*" that will be submitted to **El Sur Ranch** by the production company.

Documents that the film company must submit to **El Sur Ranch**. Contact information can be found at <http://elsurranch.com/index.html>.

- The following must be received by El Sur Ranch **at least ten (10) business days prior to the first film date**:
 - *Letter of Notification of Filming*. Must include the following information:
 - Filming date(s) and times
 - Specific location(s) of filming
 - Production Company contact information
 - Copy of the *Motion Picture Activity Information* form (DPR245A) that has been approved by the Monterey District Superintendent of California State Parks.