

# RV Boondocking Campsite Clean Up Checklist

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\_\_\_ Walk the campsite in expanding circles with a trashbag picking up litter. ( one of the "gripping/extension" arms can save your back!

\_\_\_ Pull any noxious weeds. (Non native invasive species) Check with the Forest Service on what varieties they are trying to eliminate.

\_\_\_ Repair any erosion damage from camping/RV use. **But first**, cause no new damage ie. driving over soft ground, etc!

\_\_\_ Lightly cover eroded/exposed areas with pine needles/ forest duff from deeper in the woods, to help reduce erosion and promote regrowth of native species. Carrying a few light tools, rakes etc. will help make collecting these materials a lot easier.

\_\_\_ Sometimes native seed is available from the Forest Service for regenerating or reforesting an overused area. Volunteer to work on your campsite area!

\_\_\_ If seed is not available from the Forest Service, it can often be collected from the surrounding grass and bushes. Don't strip an area of seed. A little here a little there is just fine. Scatter the seed just before you scatter the bit of needles/duff you have collected to repair the damaged area. (Familiarize yourself with "noxious weeds" in the area and make sure you aren't planting their seeds!)

\_\_\_ If Boondocking in dispersed camping areas, do not place fire rings of rocks and disperse any you do find.

\_\_\_ An often overlooked thing when out in the woods is cleaning up after the pooches. This is definitely a "leave no trace" situation and surely a Boondock campsite clean up idea?

## A little philosophy on RV Boondocking

If everyone using our wild lands invests just a little effort to restore and take care of them, as we use them, we will see improvement in their condition with each passing year.

If we as RVers are seen to be protectors of the country we camp in, we will also be protecting our right to camp on that land.

If we leave the areas we use better than we find them people in the area will notice that. It will reflect well on all RVers.