

18th Annual Sierra Cup Classic Band Director Information



Contest Date: Saturday, October 24, 2015

Gates Open: 1:00pm

Contest Start Time: 1:25pm (SSB), 1:32pm first band performs

Admission: \$14.00 General Admission; \$10.00 Senior Citizen/Students/Children

ARTIFICIAL TURF

Please be advised that under NO circumstance, will anyone from any group be allowed to drive any vehicle on the field. All pit vehicles must be driven on the outside edges of the stadium and not on the field, the endzone or the white sideline. If we all work together we can continue to use Bulldog Stadium for future shows. It will only take one school to ruin this for everyone so please make sure that you, your students, staff and band boosters do no harm to this wonderful new field.

With the arrival of the new turf comes another issue. Please know that we will have college hash marks on the field AND we will chalk high school hash marks. Obviously, they will not be as permanent or clear as the college hash marks so please advise your staff and students. It would probably be a good idea for you to paint college hash marks on your practice field the week prior to our event.

ARRIVAL

The Red, Blue and White Lots will not be open until 11:30am. Please do not arrive with your trucks or buses until **11:30am at the earliest**. When you arrive on the Fresno State campus, please proceed to the parking area your band has been assigned. **Band Directors will get numbered parking passes by US mail in the coming few days.** If you do not get them by Monday, October 19, 2015 please call Eileen Zacharczyp right away at 559.278.5086. **Please be sure these are not duplicated in any way because a strict inventory of parking passes will mean that each pass will only be honored once.** If you are in the RED LOT proceed to the corner of Barstow and Cedar Avenues. Enter through Gate 6 from Cedar Avenue as indicated on the enclosed map. If you are on Millbrook continue south on Cedar Avenue, go right on Bulldog Lane (at the light) and then right on Millbrook. Our parking officials will guide you from there. The WHITE LOT is off limits for buses this year but we are going to try to park some trucks in there.

A Fresno State official will assist with the parking of your vehicles and will tell your staff exactly where they are to park each vehicle. Please note that only buses and official vehicles will park in these lots and **only with the numbered parking pass provided**. Band Director CARS (one per school) should park in the VIP Lot on the South side of the stadium with the proper enclosed VIP Parking Pass. There will not be guides assigned to your group. You are responsible to have your band at the gate in the stadium ten minutes before your scheduled performance time. **Please visit our website at www.bulldogmarchingband.com for maps and directions to Fresno State and location of various sites on campus. Feel free to direct your students and parents to this website to these maps and contest schedule as well.**

HAND STAMPS

Band members and Bus Drivers (**NOT parents and chaperones**) will have their left hand stamped as soon as your buses arrive. Please be prepared to have our Fresno State officials actually board each of your buses before the students begin unloading. We will stamp each student so they may gain access to the stadium. We will have several people aboard each bus while your buses are parking in order to save you time.

CHECK IN

Our check in locations will be just inside the Red or White Lots, depending on the lot you are assigned to. Be sure to make this your first stop since it is here that we will have band director packets with pit passes and press box passes, video passes (one per school) and any final details available. Your band will not be permitted to perform until check in has occurred.

STAFF/CHAPERONE PASSES

All staff and chaperones will use the official WBA passes distributed by WBA. Be sure your staff has their WBA passes or call the WBA Office to get your passes for this event if you do not yet have them. We will not be the stamping hands of pass holders. They will be required to use their pass for access each time they enter the stadium. We will not stamp the hands of parents/chaperones/staff. Please let your parents know so that they will not hassle our volunteers who will not stamp their hands.

PIT PASSES

WBA has indicated a specific number of Pit Passes that we are to distribute to each band when they arrive on site. The passes will be given to you, the band director, upon check in. It will be your responsibility to distribute these to your Pit Crew so that they can get into the stadium with your pit. The Sierra Cup Classic Pit Pass is only good for admission into the stadium for your band's performance. As your Pit Crew passes through the gate we will collect the Pit Pass and stamp the left hand of the pass holder. These passes will not be transferable and WBA tells us the exact number of passes per band. **Pit Crew that do not have the proper credentials will not be permitted to pass through the gate. Please plan accordingly.**

PERFORMER SEATING AREA

Each band will be given an assigned seating area when they are finished with their performance. All bands will sit in the "red seat" area on the west side of the stadium so that they can enjoy the rest of the show. Your band's seats will be clearly marked. Entrance into this seating area will be tightly controlled by our people. Most sections of the stadium will be off limits in order to make stadium cleanup a more efficient process. Band directors will receive their post-performance seating assignments upon check in. **Please do NOT sit in an area that has not been assigned to you and your band as it will increase cleaning fees in the stadium which may be passed on to you.**

WARM-UP AREA

Please see the map enclosed and use the warm-up area indicated on the schedule enclosed. Each group should have a generous amount of time as there are several areas used in rotation. Please be aware of your facing(s) during warm-up. It is suggested that you face away from the stadium and other bands. As a general rule, if you can hear the bands in the stadium, they can probably hear you. Please be considerate of the bands performing on the field and make sure your group is facing in a direction that will not disrupt the performances in Bulldog Stadium. **You will note that Warmup areas A, B, & C (Soccer Stadium) do not allow marching/movement opportunities. If you are assigned to one of these areas and feel you need to marching/movement time/space, please call me right away at 559.278.2489 and I will make other arrangements for you and your band.**

PIT EQUIPMENT

All pit equipment will move in and out of the stadium from the South ramp. We have had problems in the past with some pit vehicles "escaping" down the ramp so we are requiring each group to connect to a security device at the top of the ramp. **This process is not optional. It is required by our university (Risk Management) and bands not willing to cooperate will not be allowed to perform.** This is being done for safety reasons and we appreciate your cooperation. Our staff will simply attach a hook to a solid location on your rig just in case the brakes do not do their job. Likewise, we will help the rigs up the hill. This system has worked well for us over the years. Each pit will be lowered down the ramp two groups prior to its performance time **so please have your pit at the top of the South ramp plenty early.** All pit crews must follow directions given by our

ramp chief. You will be headed down the front sideline, unload then to the North end till your band is done performing and back along the front sideline to the ramp. Please make any turns wide in order to avoid tearing up the turf and stay off the playing field. **Please be sure that you download (from our website mentioned above) the Pit Crew Map for your pit crew drivers.**

VIDEO RECORDING

Your band will be provided with one Video Tape Pass that will give one person a special wooden platform from which to record. **They will NOT be permitted in the press box.** Your official videographer will be permitted in this area just a few minutes before your scheduled performance time and they will be required to vacate that area immediately after your band is finished. Your Video Tape Pass will be in your check in packet. Please make arrangements to get it to your official videographer. It should be noted that this pass does not give them free access to the stadium. Your band will be recorded from the top of the press box by our staff and your group will be given a complimentary digital file of your school's performance from that night. The link will be emailed to you within a few days of the event.

PARKING

Buses and Equipment Vehicles: All buses and equipment vehicles will park in the "Red Lot" or the "White Lot" with parking passes sent to the band director from each school. The number of passes for each group has been defined by WBA. Maps of the stadium can be found at **fresnostatebands.com** website. Only vehicles with the proper vehicle pass will be allowed to park in these lots. No exceptions! It is your responsibility to be sure that your food vehicle has a pass. Please don't ask for more. We are already concerned that there is enough space for all bands.

Band Director or V.I.P. Parking: We are providing some V.I.P. spaces in the "Blue Lot" just South of the stadium. Please see the map enclosed. Each band has been given one V.I.P. pass.

Spectator Parking: Fresno State Free parking is available at your own risk in the surrounding areas. The best lot available is the "Q lot" located on Barstow Avenue just east of Cedar Avenue. The north end of Bulldog Stadium (on Barstow) will be open for ticket sales and pedestrian entrance into the stadium.

NOT ALLOWED

Please advise your parents and supporters that backpacks, ice chest and strollers are not allowed in the Stadium. No bottles or glass containers, and water bottles not larger than 12 oz are allowed into Bulldog Stadium. Safety is a concern and these are standard regulations. ***It also should be noted that Fresno State does not allow the use of charcoal on site anymore. All grilling must be done by gas/propane.***

DIRECTORS' LOUNGE

Members of our booster group, the Friends of the Bulldog Marching Band, will have a wonderful spread of food and drink for you and your spouse to enjoy in the Director's Lounge in the press box. Due to size limitations, however, press box passes will be limited to two per school. If your spouse will not be with you, please feel free to share the extra press box pass with your assistant director. Press Box Passes will be available at the Director's Check In.

AWARDS Awards will be as per the WBA Handbook:

1st Place in Each Class

2nd Place in Each Class

3rd Place in Each Class

Best Music in Each Class: Music Perf (Ind) + Music Perf (Ens)

Best Marching/Movement in Each Class: Visual Perf (Ind) + Visual Perf (Ens)

Shirlee Whitcomb Best Effect Award in Each Class: Music Effect + Visual Effect

Best Percussion in Each Class: Percussion

Best Auxiliary in Each Class: Auxiliary

WBA RULES AND REGULATIONS

If you are not familiar with the rules and regulations please refer to the official WBA web site at:
<http://www.westernbands.org/>

JUDGES

WBA has assigned the following judges to our contest:

General Effect Visual: Deborah Torchia

Ensemble Visual: Kathy Whitcomb (Chief Judge)

Individual Visual: Jonette Dangerfield

Auxiliary: John Bradford

General Effect Music: Randy Nelson

Ensemble Music 1: Gary Runsten

Ensemble Music 2: John Zamora

Percussion: Caleb Rothe

Tabulator: Annie Cookson

T & P: Richard Delgado

Digitab: Annie Cookson



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SCHEDULE

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UNIT NAME	FRONT ENS. REPORT	BAND REPORT	PERF. TIME	WARMUP
A				
Washington Union HS	12:57 PM	1:25 PM	1:32 PM	D
Ceres High School	1:10 PM	1:38 PM	1:45 PM	E
Selma HS	1:23 PM	1:51 PM	1:58 PM	F
Mission Oak HS	1:36 PM	2:04 PM	2:11 PM	D
AA				
Hanford HS	1:49 PM	2:17 PM	2:24 PM	E
Sierra Pacific HS	2:02 PM	2:30 PM	2:37 PM	F
Madera South HS	2:15 PM	2:43 PM	2:50 PM	D
Beyer HS	2:28 PM	2:56 PM	3:03 PM	E
Break			3:16 PM	
AAA				
Hanford West HS	2:56 PM	3:24 PM	3:31 PM	F
Clovis East HS	3:09 PM	3:37 PM	3:44 PM	D
Edison High School	3:22 PM	3:50 PM	3:57 PM	E
Madera HS	3:35 PM	4:03 PM	4:10 PM	F
James Enochs HS	3:48 PM	4:16 PM	4:23 PM	D
Sanger HS	4:01 PM	4:29 PM	4:36 PM	E
Mt. Whitney HS	4:14 PM	4:42 PM	4:49 PM	F
Tulare Union HS	4:27 PM	4:55 PM	5:02 PM	D
Fresno State Bulldog Marching Band			5:15 PM	
Awards			5:30 PM	
AAAA				
Tulare Western HS	5:23 PM	5:53 PM	6:00 PM	A
El Diamante HS	5:38 PM	6:08 PM	6:15 PM	B
Golden West HS	5:53 PM	6:23 PM	6:30 PM	C
Clovis HS	6:08 PM	6:38 PM	6:45 PM	A
Buchanan HS	6:23 PM	6:53 PM	7:00 PM	B
Lemoore HS	6:38 PM	7:08 PM	7:15 PM	C
Oak Grove HS	6:53 PM	7:23 PM	7:30 PM	A
Break			7:45 PM	
AAAAA				
James Logan HS	7:23 PM	7:53 PM	8:00 PM	B
Clovis North HS	7:38 PM	8:08 PM	8:15 PM	C
Homestead HS	7:53 PM	8:23 PM	8:30 PM	A
Clovis West HS	8:08 PM	8:38 PM	8:45 PM	B
Bullard HS	8:23 PM	8:53 PM	9:00 PM	C
Fresno State Bulldog Marching Band			9:15 PM	
Awards			9:30 PM	

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PARKING LOT ASSIGNMENTS

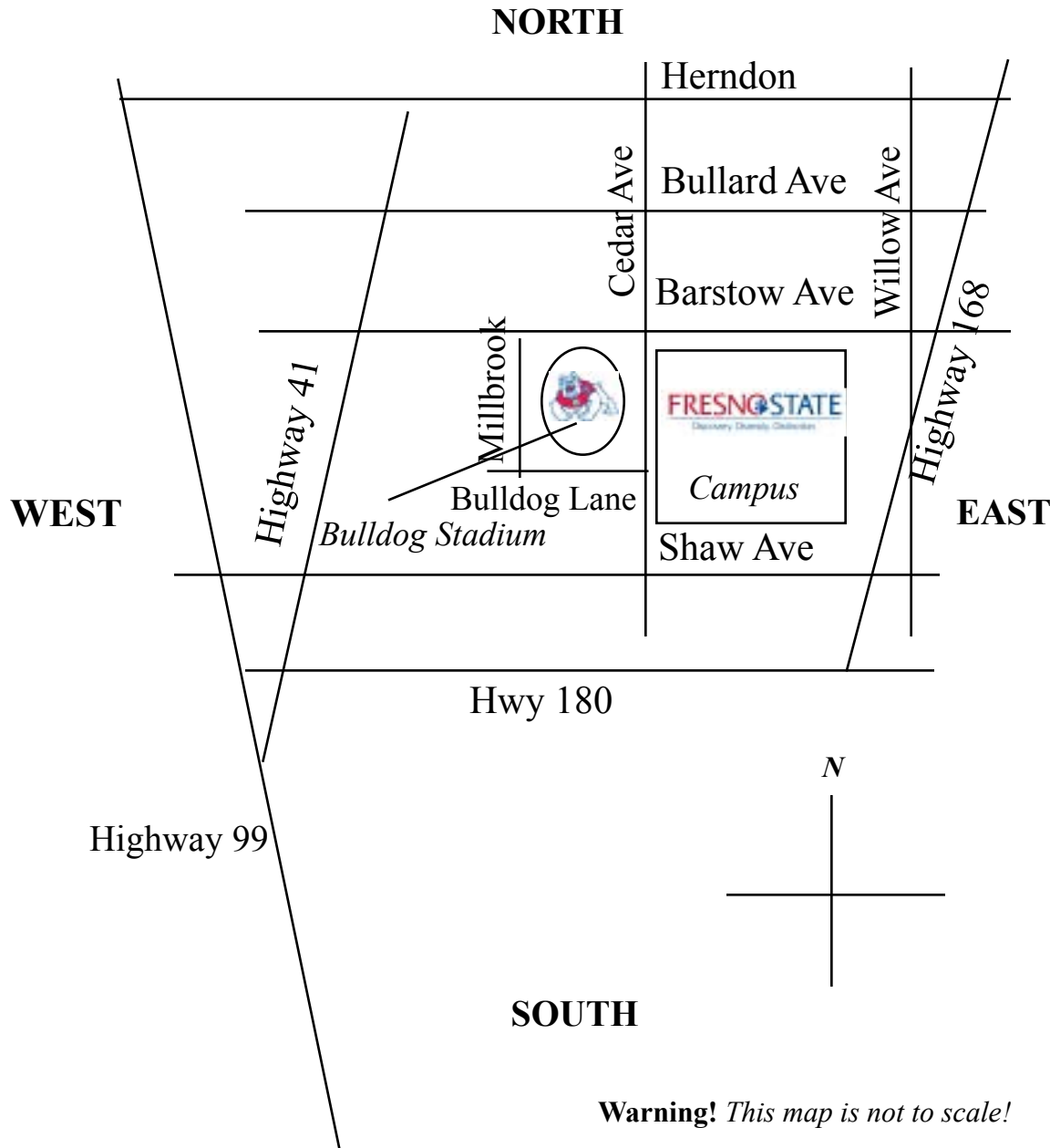


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UNIT NAME	PARKING LOT ASSIGNMENT
Beyer HS	White Lot
Buchanan HS	Red Lot
Bullard HS	Red Lot
Ceres High School	White Lot
Clovis East HS	White Lot
Clovis HS	Red Lot
Clovis North HS	Red Lot
Clovis West HS	Red Lot
Edison High School	White Lot
El Diamante HS	Red Lot
Golden West HS	Red Lot
Hanford HS	White Lot
Hanford West HS	White Lot
Homestead HS	Red Lot
James Enochs HS	Red Lot
James Logan HS	Red Lot
Lemoore HS	Red Lot
Madera HS	White Lot
Madera South HS	White Lot
Mission Oak HS	White Lot
Mt. Whitney HS	White Lot
Oak Grove HS	Red Lot
Reyburn IS	Red Lot
Sanger HS	White Lot
Selma HS	White Lot
Sierra-Tollhouse HS	Red Lot
Sierra Pacific HS	White Lot
Tulare Union HS	Red Lot
Tulare Western HS	Red Lot
Washington Union HS	White Lot

Map To Campus



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Directions to Bulldog Stadium from the South:

- 1) Interstate 5 north
- 2) Highway 99 north
- 3) Take the 41 north (approx. 2.5 mile)
- 4) Take 180 East (approx. 1 mile)
- 5) Take 168 East (approx. 5 mile)
- 6) Take Bullard Exit, turn left at signal to Cedar Ave
- 7) Turn Left on Cedar Ave
- 8) Bands assigned to Red Lot Parking
turn into Red lot off Cedar
- Bands assigned to White Lot Parking
turn right on Bulldog Lane
turn right on Millbrook
BUSES PARK ON MILLBROOK

- 9) Please Park as instructed

Directions to Bulldog Stadium from the North:

- 1) Highway 99 south
- 2) Continue on Hwy 99 to the 180 East
- 3) Take 180 Est (approx. 2.5)
- 4) Take 168 East (approx. 5 mile)
- 6) Take Bullard Exit, turn left at signal to Cedar Ave
- 7) Turn Left on Cedar Ave
- 8) Bands assigned to Red Lot Parking
turn into Red Lot off Cedar
- Bands assigned to White Lot Parking
turn right on Bulldog Lane
turn right on Millbrook
BUSES PARK ON MILLBROOK

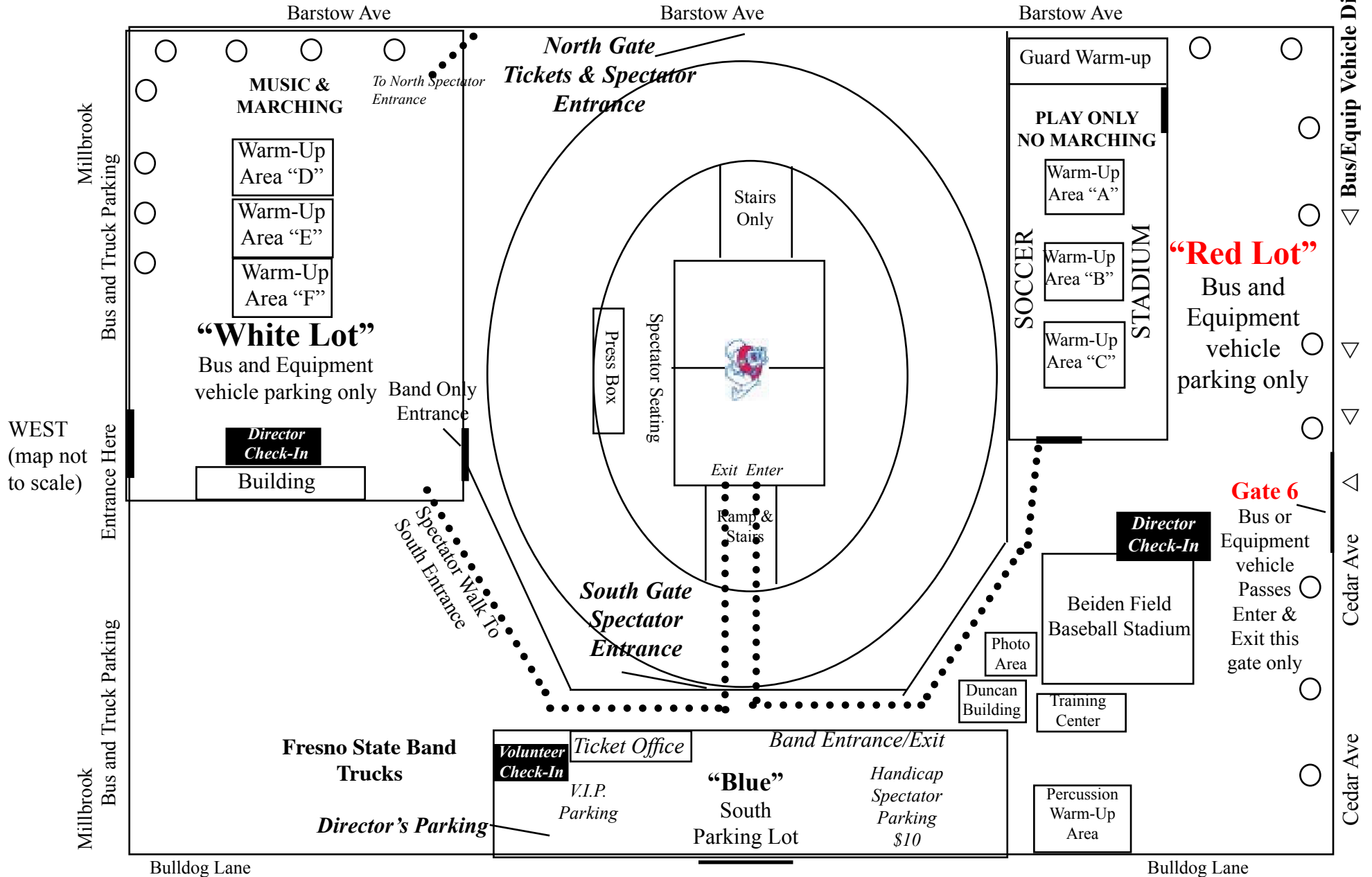
- 9) Please Park as instructed

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Map of Bulldog Stadium

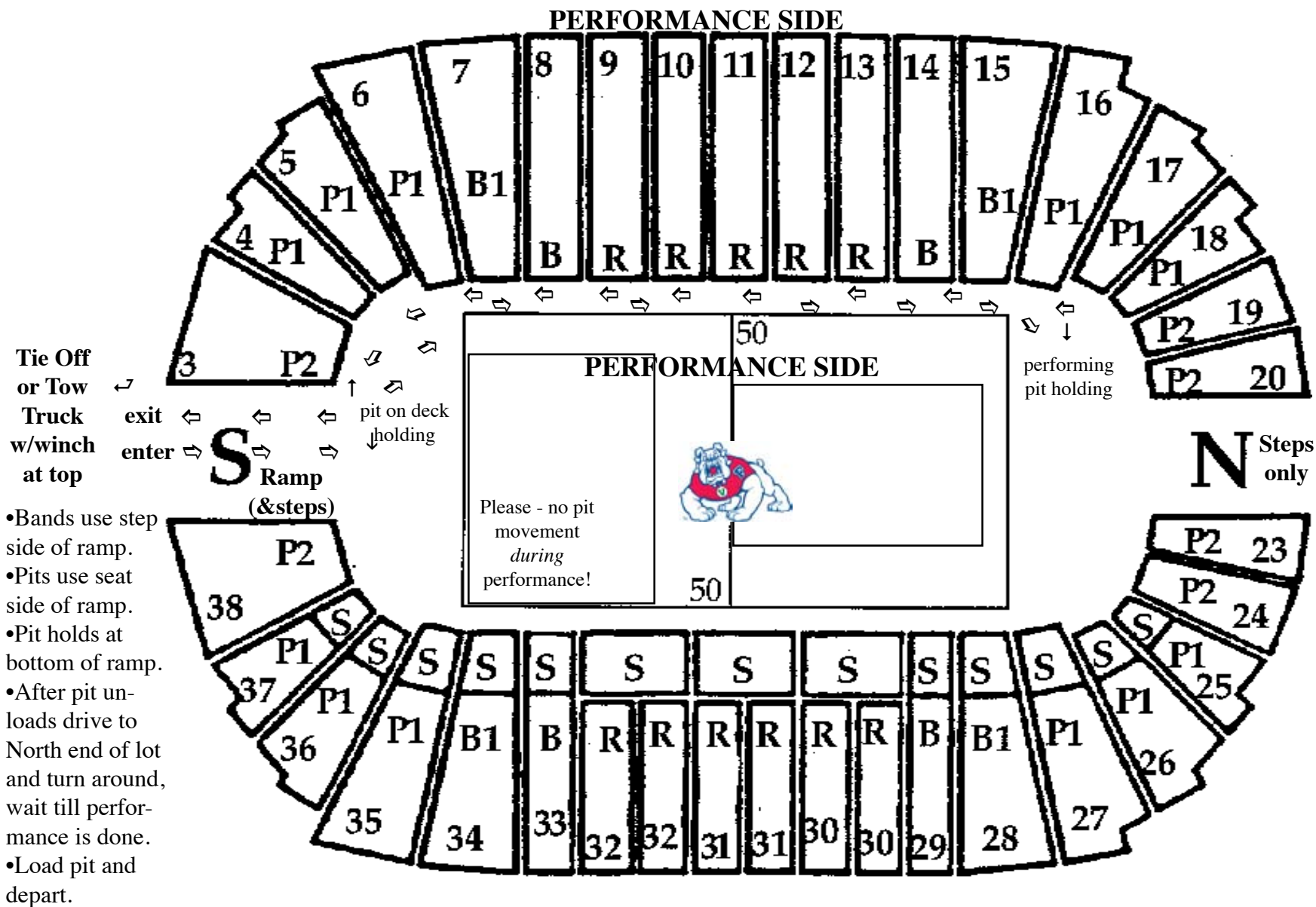
NORTH
(map not to scale)

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Pit Rigs Direction of Travel



- Bands use step side of ramp.
- Pits use seat side of ramp.
- Pit holds at bottom of ramp.
- After pit unloads drive to North end of lot and turn around, wait till performance is done.
- Load pit and depart.



Fresno State Sierra Cup Classic - Band Seating Assignments 2015

School	Sections and Rows
Beyer	Section 10, Rows 9-11
Buchanan	Section 13, Rows 19-26
Bullard	up against the wall for BMB perf
Ceres	Section 10, Rows 1-4
Clovis	Section 11, Rows 19-26
Clovis East	Section 13, Rows 1-6
Clovis North	Section 9, Rows 34-42
Clovis West	Section 10, Rows 23-29
Edison	Section 9, Rows 1-6
El Diamante	Section 12, Rows 16-22
Golden West	Section 10, Rows 17-22
Hanford	Section 10, Rows 5-8
Hanford West	Section 12, Rows 11-15
Homestead	Section 13, Rows 35-45
James Enochs	Section 9, Rows 7-11
James Logan	Section 9, Rows 19-33
Lemoore	Section 13, Rows 27-34
Madera	Section 13, Rows 7-12
Madera South	Section 11, Rows 8-11
Mission Oak	Section 11, Rows 5-7
Mt. Whitney	Section 10, Rows 12-16
Oak Grove	Section 12, Rows 23-29
Reyburn	Section 12, Rows 1-3
Sanger	Section 11, Rows 12-16
Selma	Section 12, Rows 4-6
Sierra-Tollhouse	Section 11, Rows 17 & 18
Sierra Pacific	Section 12, Rows 7-10
Tulare Union	Section 13, Rows 13-18
Tulare Western	Section 9, Rows 12-18
Washington Union	Section 11, Rows 1-4

Fresno State Sierra Cup Classic Stadium Seating

(PRESS BOX LEVEL)

Row 1 (at the bottom)	through	Row 54 (at the top)
Section 9		

Row 1 (at the bottom)	through	Row 54 (at the top)
Section 10		

Row 1 (at the bottom)	through	Row 54 (at the top)
Section 11		

Row 1 (at the bottom)	through	Row 54 (at the top)
Section 12		

Row 1 (at the bottom)	through	Row 54 (at the top)
Section 13		

(FIELD LEVEL)