



Tule Lake Concentration Camp

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U.S. Gov't Name: Tule Lake War Relocation Center

Location: Modoc County, California

Date Opened: May 27, 1942

Date Closed: March 20, 1946

Peak Population: 18,789

Located in Modoc County, California, Tule Lake held a peak population of 18,789 Japanese Americans in 1944. The incarcerated were forcibly removed from California, Hawai'i, Washington, and Oregon. In 1943, the WRA administered the "Application for Leave Clearance" form, informally referred to as the loyalty questionnaire. Japanese Americans who were labeled as disloyal were transferred to Tule Lake, which was redesignated as a high security segregation center with a military prison. Close to 1,450 Japanese Americans from Tule Lake served in the U.S. Armed Forces despite their families remaining behind barbed-wire fences.