

SUGAR PINE RESERVOIR

Tuesday June 9, 2026

DIFFICULTY: Easy - loop trail around the reservoir with little elevation gain.

HIKE DISTANCE : 4.6 miles, start elevation 3,500 feet Gain 480 feet

GENERAL LOCATION : Off Foresthill Road northeast of Auburn near Gold Run

DESCRIPTION : We hope to see some wildflowers this time of year. The hike starts on a dirt trail thru the forest and over the dam across Shirttail Creek. There will be views of the lake most of the time. At about the halfway point we will stop for a lunch/snack break and continue on a paved trail to complete the loop. Total time about 2+ hours. **Note:** In AllTrails this trail is named Joshua M. Hardt Memorial Trail

TRAVEL TIME / DISTANCE : 1 ¼ hours, 47 miles. A donation of \$12 is suggested for riders. If you have a Federal Senior pass, bring it. Otherwise share the \$5 fee equally. Return time early afternoon.

HIKE LEADER : Tess Devenish **SWEEP:** TBD

SPECIAL NOTES:

FACILITIES: Pit toilets at parking area and break area.

PREPARATION FOR HIKE:

1. Bring a copy of your ID (driver's license), health card, and an emergency contact phone number with you when you hike.
2. If you have any health issues, please consider your condition before hiking.
3. Always bring 2 pairs of shoes, along with a plastic bag to store your muddy/dusty boots after the hike.
4. Bring lunch/snack, water, and hiking boots. Trekking poles are recommended, but not required.

RISKS: There is poison oak, but off of the trails. If there has been recent rain there could be some mud. Be careful of drop-offs along the trail. Possibility of mosquitos – bring bug spray.

QUESTIONS: Contact Tess at tessdevenish@gmail.com.

MEETING TIME: 8:15 a.m. **LEAVE TIME** 8:30 a.m.

Meet at far end of Orchard Creek Parking Lot in front of Fitness center, rows 12-14.

SUGAR PINE RESERVOIR DIRECTIONS:

Take your favorite route to Hwy 80 east. Pass the town of Auburn and exit #121 Auburn Ravine Road toward Foresthill. Go 26 miles after the traffic light past Foresthill to the left turn at Sugar Pine Road. The speed limit in Foresthill is 30 mph. Past Foresthill is a small village with a speed limit of 25 mph.

Watch for a brown sign on the right side of the road indicating a left turn toward Sugar Pine Reservoir. After the left turn, go 5.5 miles on the NF road 10 to the boat ramp/day use area.

-or-

Navigate to Sugar Pine Boat Ramp, Foresthill, CA 95631

PARKING NOTE: Day Use Parking area is just BEFORE the boat ramp parking area. We will park in the Day Use area.

If you cross the dam you have gone too far.