

**Stagecoach, Manzanita and Western States Trail
Auburn State Recreation Area
February 21, 2025**

DIFFICULTY (Rating): Moderate/Strenuous

HIKE DISTANCE: 7 Miles

ELEVATION/GAIN: Start 500' / Highest 1400' / Gain **1150'**

PACE: Moderate

TRAIL CONDITIONS: Well-maintained tree-lined dirt trail. Some sections of gravel. There is a short, steep uphill climb in the beginning. Some mud but minimal and a couple of stream crossings easily managed with poles. One section of the trail has a steep drop-off similar to Steven's Trail – but not too long. There is also one crossing of Highway 49 that will be done at a brisk pace. A very small section of the trail requires walking along Old Foresthill Road to get back to the parking area near the kiosk.

DESCRIPTION: Beautiful Calcutta Falls waterfall and fantastic views of the river. Hike starts at the American River Confluence with a steep but short uphill climb. Tree-lined dirt paths with views of the Foresthill Bridge and No Hands Bridge. Fun gnome sighting and a Santa Mailbox! Lunch at the river's edge.

Hike Route:

AllTrails Stagecoach Hike Route

FACILITIES: Porta Potty at the trailhead and halfway through the hike.

DRIVE TIME/MILES: 30 minutes, 17 miles

DONATION: \$5. Note that parking is \$10 cash or bring your Poppy pass.

LEADER/SWEEP: Lisa Mariotti/Debbie Knowles. Email Lisa lk_mariotti@yahoo.com

MEET/LEAVE TIME: Meet at 8:30 with depart time of 8:45. (OC parking lot aisle 14)

PREPARATION FOR HIKE:

- Being prepared physically as well as having the right equipment makes for a better experience, not only for you, but for your fellow hikers.
- **If you have any health issues, please consider your condition before hiking at high altitude or at a fast pace. What to Bring:**
- **PLENTY OF WATER!** Recommend 50 oz. /1.5 liters minimum for 5-mile hike – more if longer. Electrolytes suggested. Higher altitudes are dehydrating even when cool.
- Hiking boots/shoes, hat, sun protection, insect repellent, small first aid kit. Wind/rain jacket always advisable in the mountains. Trekking poles recommended.
- ID (driver's license), health insurance card, emergency contact / phone number.
- Extra pair of shoes to change into after hike and a plastic bag for muddy/dusty hiking boots to keep your driver's car clean.

Driving Directions

Google Maps: Navigate to the Auburn State Park Kiosk

Navigate to I80 E and take exit 119C toward California 49 S / Placerville.

Use the left lane to take the ramp to CA-49 S/Placerville.

Turn left on Elm Ave Turn left onto CA-193 E/CA-49 S/El Dorado St/High St

Drive for approximately 2.4 miles

Continue straight onto Old Foresthill Rd

Destination will be on the left Parking on both sides of the road.

Meet at the kiosk.

Driver donation: \$

5 plus a share of the \$10 parking fee (or a Poppy Pass)