



Hike Information

Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest
State of California Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection
P.O. Box 839
Cobb, CA 95426
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Trail Length - 4.7 miles
Average Elevation - 3040 feet
Elevation Change - 360 feet
Hiking Level - Moderate

Overview

This middle-elevation ponderosa pine forest was the territory of the Lake Miwok people. Henry Boggs acquired the land between 1878 and 1884. The forest was logged extensively. The State of California purchased the land and established a State Forest in 1949.

Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest serves as an example of a recently cutover forest from which all merchantable timber has been cut, except for a few seed trees and scattered patches of mature trees considered inaccessible at the time of acquisition. It is now a forest actively managed for wise use of all its resources, including the continuous growing and harvesting of trees for wood products, public recreation, wildlife habitat and watershed.

Boggs Mountain is open year-round for public recreational use. A system of trails for non-motorized use exists covering a variety of terrain including meadows, ridge-tops, and dense forests.

How To Get There

From Highway 29 (Kelseyville): From Highway 29 at Kelseyville, head south to the junction with Highway 175. Take Highway 175 south approximately 10 miles through Loch Lomond and Hobergs to the Black and White Fire Station sign. Turn in to Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest.

From Highway 29 (Middletown): From Highway 29 at Middletown, head north on Highway 175 until you reach the Black and White Fire Station sign. Turn in to Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest.

Camping Facilities

Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest: No fee. Year-round camping. A permit is required for more than 10 people or longer than a 1-day stay. Campfires and use of gas stoves are limited to Calso and Ridge camps. There are 15 sites at Calso Camp. Ridge Camp has two developed sites suitable for groups. No water is available at camp areas. Call (707) 928-4378 for more information.

The Hike

The hike starts at the heliport and office parking lot. Take the Houghton Creek Trail East to the junction with High Chair Trail. Turn west on High Chair Trail and follow to the junction with Karen's Trail. Turn Southwest on Karen's Trail and continue to Vista Point. From Vista Point, head west on Hobergs Loop, continuing south with Mac's Trail and then returning to the parking lot.