



QUICK GUIDE TO MEDEA CREEK TRAIL

SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA



PARAMOUNT RANCH SYSTEM

Length: 0.75 miles
Elevation Gain: 95 feet

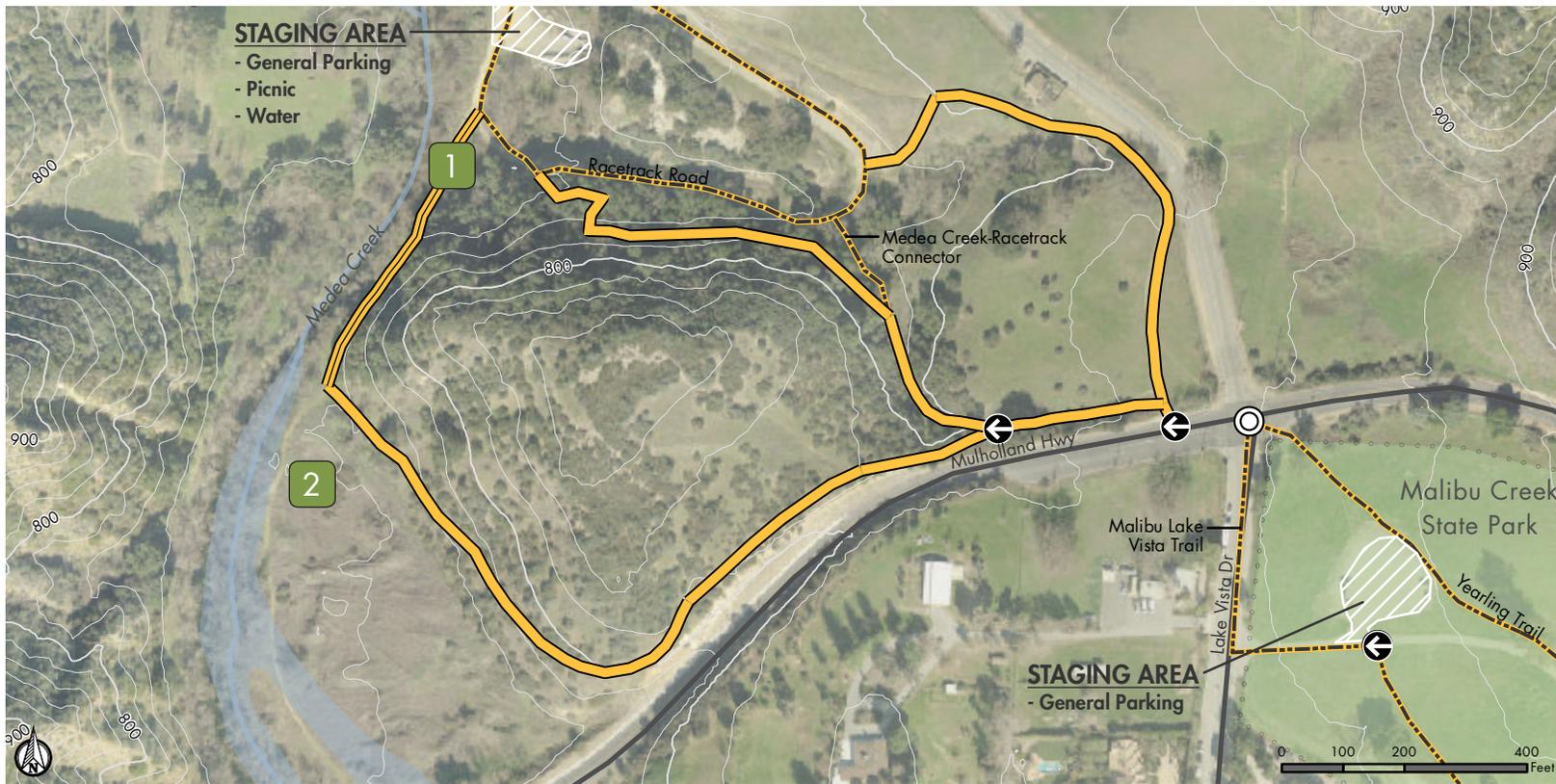
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DESCRIPTION:

Medea Creek Trail is a short loop trail that provides an enjoyable stroll through oak woodland and some higher areas with chaparral landscape. Views toward Malibu Lake allow the visitor to see this unique community created in the 1920s. Climb up a side trail and get a great view north toward Western Town. Make sure to visit Western Town, with areas to picnic and take photos in the Old West setting.

DIRECTIONS:

From the 101, exit at Kanan Road and head south. Turn left onto Cornell Way and continue south onto Cornell Road. Travel south approximately 2.5 miles and turn right (west) into Paramount Ranch. Follow the entrance road west and then south to the parking area.



Overview

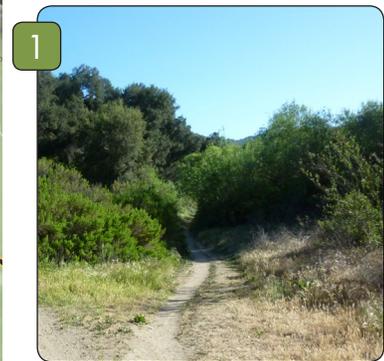


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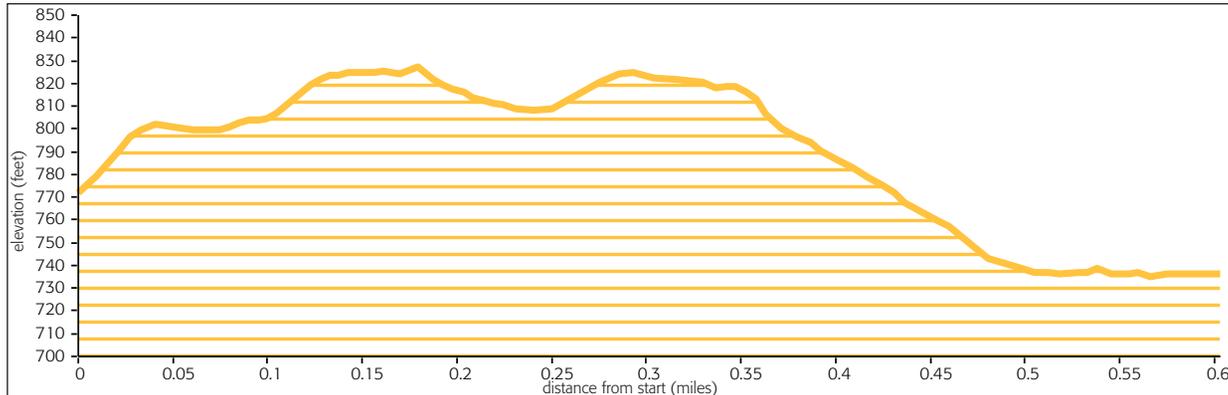


Access & Features

- Trailhead
- ⬅ Trail Access Point

Trail Type

- Natural Trail
- == Trail Road (unpaved)



QUICKGUIDE INFORMATION

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SAFETY FIRST



In case of **EMERGENCY** dial 911.

For non-emergencies on County trails call the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Parks Bureau Dispatch at (800) 834-0064.

HAZARDS ON THE TRAIL



Rattlesnakes occasionally sun themselves in the middle of the trail. If encountered, keep your distance and allow space for the snake to retreat.



Poison oak can be identified by groups of 3 leaves going up the branch. It's best avoided by staying on the trail and wearing long pants and long-sleeved shirts to prevent contact with skin.



Ticks are most often found in shaded, grassy areas off the beaten path. Stick to established trails and wear long pants to avoid contact. Check for ticks frequently, especially the scalp, waist and other dark places where they can hide.

SHARE THE TRAIL



When trail conditions require a right of way for safe passage, **equestrian users have the primary right of way, hikers next and then mountain bikers**. When trail conditions allow and when there is width to safely pass, common courtesy should prevail for all users. Stand to one side of the trail and allow them to pass. When in a group, avoid blocking the trail. **Mountain bikers yield to all trail users**. Anticipate other trail users as you ride around corners. Mountain bikers traveling downhill must yield to all users, including other mountain bikers, headed uphill. In general, make each pass a safe and courteous one.

WHAT TO BRING

- ✓ Water for you and your animal(s)
- ✓ Trail map
- ✓ High energy snacks
- ✓ Waste bags for your dog
- ✓ First aid kit
- ✓ Extra clothing
- ✓ Sunglasses/hat
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Insect repellent
- ✓ Trekking poles (optional)
- ✓ Flashlight (optional)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For information visit trails.lacounty.gov or any of our partners' websites at nps.gov, parks.ca.gov, smmc.ca.gov, lamountains.com, or rmc.ca.gov. Visitor Center for Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, (805) 370-2300

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