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QUICK GUIDE TO SANTA YNEZ WATERFALL TRAIL

DESCRIPTION: This is a popular trail along a shaded creek with dense tree cover to a short 18-foot waterfall. Stay near the creek, as the trail generally runs directly alongside it and crosses it at various points. Near the waterfall, the canyon walls grow closer and the trail becomes more rocky, although the terrain stays relatively mild for the length of the trail, with a very slight incline towards the falls.

DIRECTIONS: From the PCH take Sunset Boulevard inland for half a mile. Turn left onto Palisades Drive and head north for 2.4 miles. Turn left onto Vereda de la Montura, and park on either side of the street in permitted areas. The trail begins on the right side of the street at the bottom of the hill.

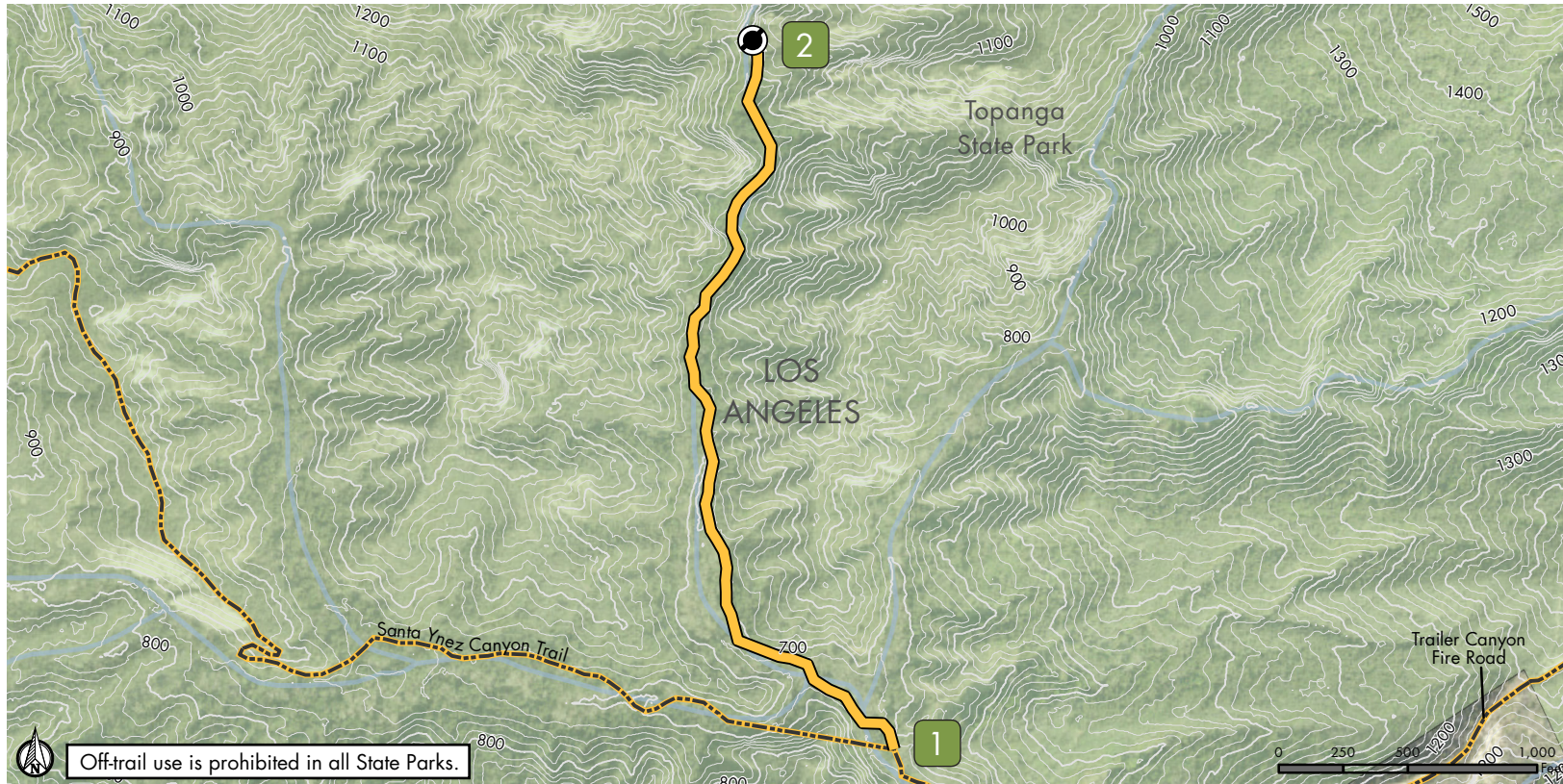
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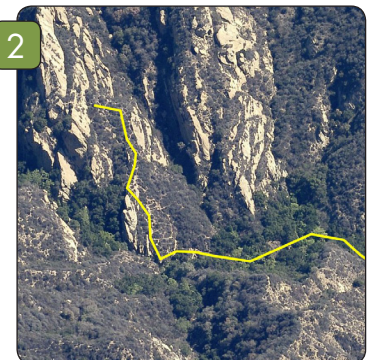
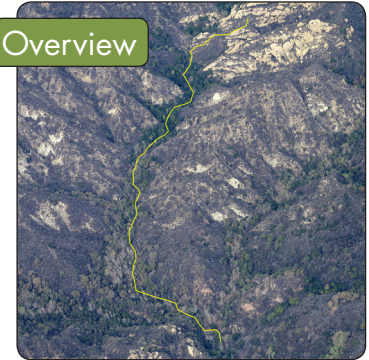
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Length: 0.66 miles

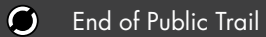
Elevation Gain: 148 feet



Overview



Access & Features

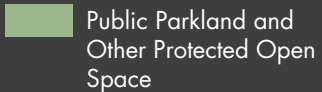


End of Public Trail

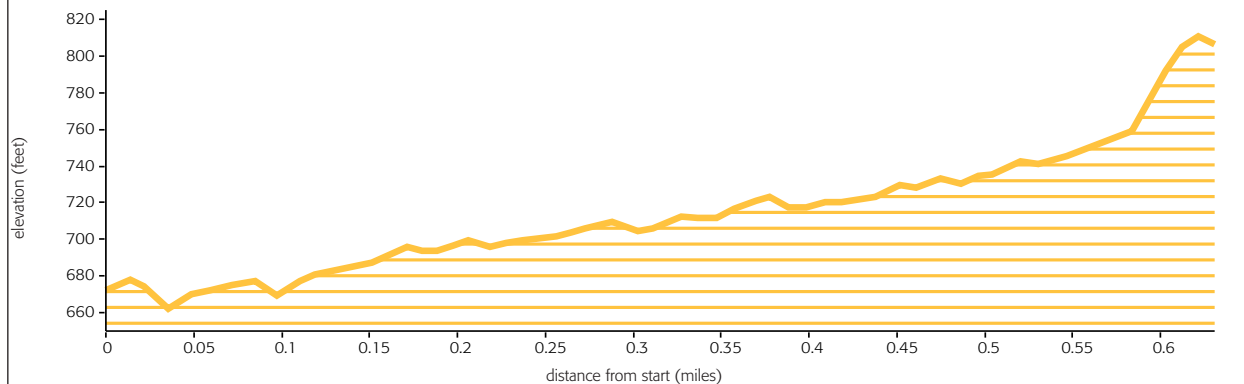
Trail Type



Natural Trail



Public Parkland and
Other Protected Open
Space



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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