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Allison Saddle Day Hike

Feb 7, 2004 (Saturday)

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CLASSIFICATION: Moderate/Strenuous

Distance: 10.0 miles RT **Elevation gain/loss:** 2,800ft / 2,800 ft
Trailhead elevation: 2,000 ft **Allison Saddle:** 4,582 ft

DESCRIPTION: Trail starts on a dirt road and follows the east fork of the San Gabriel River for approximately 0.5 mile. This is a pleasant walk with views of the river and the valley. From this point we'll follow the Heaton Flat Trails that rises steeply eastward. At 3.0 miles we'll reach Bonita Peak (3,983ft). We'll take a snack break here and enjoy the views of Lookout Mt., Sunset Pk., Baldy, Iron Mt., Hawkins, etc. From this point trail goes over and around several bumps to get to the Allison Saddle. This is a departure point for hikes to Iron Mountain or Allison Gold Mine. We'll have Lunch at the Saddle and explore other trailheads for possible future hikes in the area.

COST: Parking. Forest service adventure pass is required to park at the trailhead.

TRIP LIMIT: 15

RSVP: Please email or call the trip leader and leave a phone number where you can be reached in case of any last minute changes due to inclement weather or any other unforeseen circumstances

BRING: The normal day hike gear: day pack, water (three quarts), hiking boots, lunch, trail snacks, hat, sunglasses, clothes suitable for cold weather, rain gear, headlight or flashlight, sunscreen, bug repellent, etc. Long sleeve shirt and pants are recommended because of some overgrown brush beyond Bonita Peak.

MEET: 7:30 AM in Azusa, at the south west corner of Azusa Ave and 9th st. Park on south side of 9th St. We'll leave some of the cars here and carpool up the East Fork of the San Gabriel River (approx. 16.0 miles on SR39)

Directions: From FWY 210 take Azusa Ave exit and go north approx 1 mile. Look for Ranch Market on your left which is located just before 9th st.

Note: Trail up to Bonita Peak is clear of brush and should be clear of snow. Beyond Bonita Peak we'll assess the trail condition and turn back if we run into snow or heavy brush.

If you have any questions, please call the Trip Leader.

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