

## **October 29, 2019 Hard Hike: Round Valley Regional Preserve, Brentwood CA**

This is a 4.8 mile, 1039 foot AEG loop hike with panoramic views of the Round Valley Regional Preserve. The hike starts at **10:00 am** from the park entrance at Round Valley Regional Preserve. There is no parking fee. Restrooms and water are available at the trailhead. Bring a hat, water and poles.

GPS: 19450 Marsh Creek Road, Brentwood, CA.

We go over the bridge and turn left onto the Hardy Canyon Trail and proceed all the way up to the ridge. The hike is front-end loaded with 800 feet of steady climb in 2 miles on wide and well maintained trails. The reward at the top is a spectacular view from the ridge down into the valley and surrounding hills, with Mount Diablo framed in the background. Bring your cameras for this one. There's a 1.1 mile descent with some more lovely scenery, followed by a 1.7 mile easy trek back on the Miwok Trail.

**Directions:** From Walnut Creek, take Ygnacio Valley to Clayton Road; turn right (east). Clayton Road becomes Marsh Creek Road in Clayton. Proceed east on Marsh Creek, past Deer Valley Road until you reach the reserve staging area on the right. It is about a 15-minute drive past the town of Clayton.

**Optional Rideshare:** Meet at the “movie theater parking garage” in Walnut Creek, enter either on California Ave or Locust street (between Olympic and Mount Diablo). Park on the third floor and meet in the middle. **Departure will be 9:15.**

**Optional Lunch:** Ed’s Mudville Grill, Clayton

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### **Map:**

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### **Photos:**







