

March 14, 2023 - Easy hike changed venue, Lafayette Reservoir, Lafayette

Hike Description – This is an easy hike on a fully paved trail for a total of about 4 miles and 200 feet of elevation gain. From our parking spot, we first walk West along Mt. Diablo Blvd to the Lafayette Reservoir Park entrance, up Shore Trail to the main parking area, then clockwise around the reservoir. The hike starts at **10:00 AM** from Mt Diablo Blvd and Village Center.

For those of you who wish to park in the Reservoir parking lot (\$5) and skip the initial uphill climb, meet our main group at 10:15 at the head of the Shore Trail next to the fish station/rest rooms.

The 2.7-mile reservoir trail has some short uphill climbs. The total hike should take about 2 hours. There are restrooms at the trailhead and along the route near the 1.5 mile marker. Water is not available on the trail.

Directions to Hike - Highway 24 west to Acalanes Rd exit, turning south to Mt Diablo Blvd. Take a left and travel about one mile. We will meet on the corner of Mt. Diablo Boulevard and Village Center, Lafayette, across from the Veteran's Memorial Center. There is FREE PARKING on the South side of Mt. Diablo Boulevard.

Bring: Hats, water, trekking poles if you use them. Umbrellas optional.

Carpooling: Those that would like to carpool should meet at the downtown Walnut Creek Cinemark theatre parking garage located between California and Locust streets. Meet in the middle of the 3rd floor open area on the north side. **Meetup is at 9:15 with departure at 9:20** to allow for delays that may arise on highways. IF YOU ARE CARPOOLING, be sure the driver and passengers agree on whether to go to lunch or not.

Optional lunch: To be confirmed.

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