



Troop 583 Los Padres Backpack

North Fork Sespe Creek



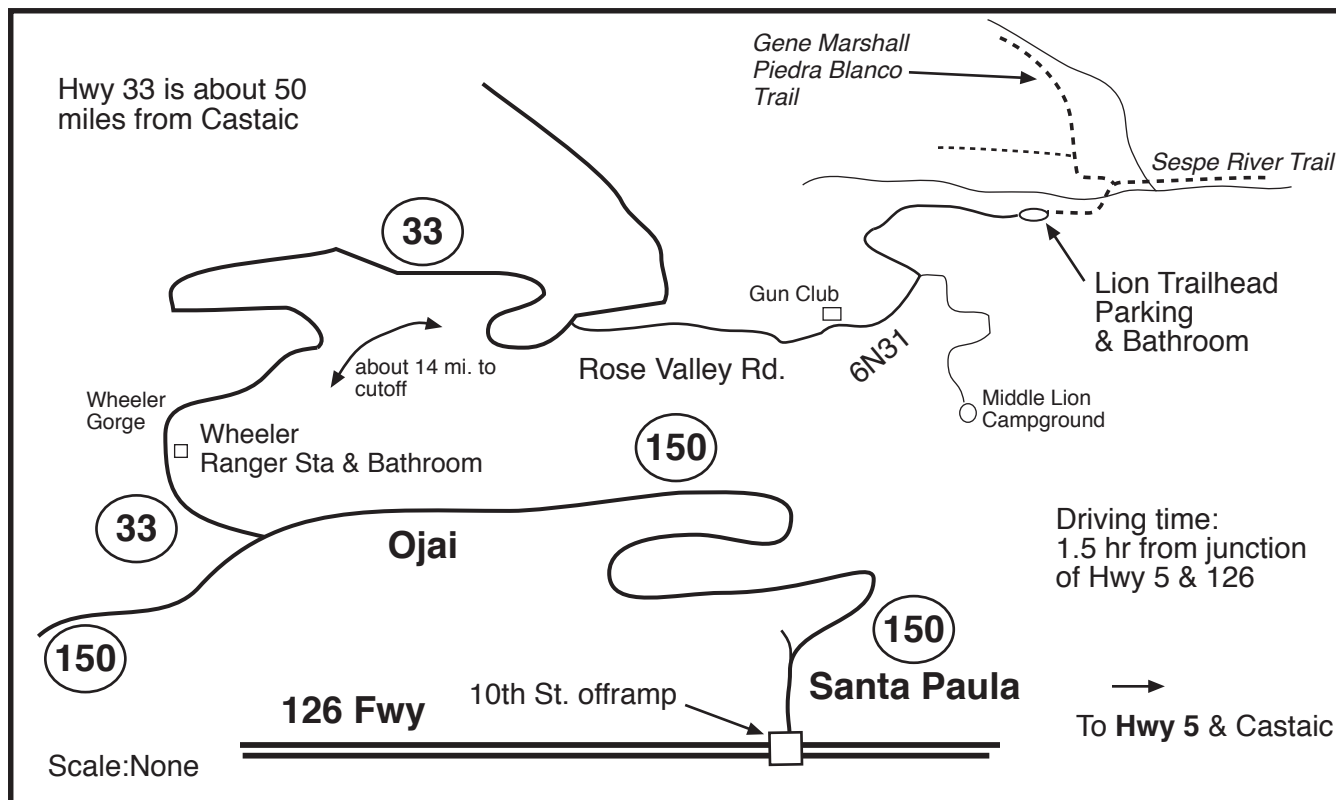
- Date: Saturday & Sunday, March 6, 7, 2010
Meet: At Lion Trailhead, **8:45** a.m. Saturday
Return: To scouts home about 3 p.m. Sunday
Dress: Class B uniform
Meals: Menu planning and cooking by Scouts. Bring propane stoves.
The hike: 2.5 mi. to camping area. Gain/loss: approx. 500 ft. Trail is moderate in difficulty. Two sets of switchbacks, not lengthy, but steep. Two stream crossings.
Water: Pump from creek. Filter
Toilets: None. Bring T.P. and hand shovel. The troop will provide “carry out buckets”
Trash: Each person needs to bring a small bag to carry out their own trash.

North Fork Sespe Creek is in the Los Padres Nat'l Forest. It is a primitive, wooded canyon with chaparral on the adjoining hillsides. The hike will be on the Piedra Blanca Trail; camping at the Piedra Blanca trail camp. The trail crosses the Piedra Blanca or white rocks, a monolithic formation of large, smooth rocks. Rain cancels trip.

Forest Service Adventure parking passes required.

Scouts bring your orange cards, if your parent(s) are not attending.

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Scouts are advised to do some pre-conditioning for these hikes. 2-3 weeks prior, walk 3 times a week, including some uphill walking. In these walks, road test your backpack, also. Do these walks in accordance to Hiking Chapter 8, in the Boy Scout handbook. Consult your parents or guardian first. Walk with a buddy or family member.