

OTP & OTHERS

The Tunnels to Nowhere

The hike for February 17th will be on an auspicious day indeed! That day is not only exactly between Abraham Lincoln's birthday and George Washington's birthday, but also on the birthday of two of our brave and dauntless members.

We will hike on a dirt road high up above the Narrows of the East Fork of the San Gabriel River. We will be able to see, below us, the parking area for the hike to the Bridge to Nowhere and as we proceed we will have views overlooking the river. About 1.7 miles up the trail we will reach the first tunnel, about 400 yards long. Another tunnel, about 250 yards long, lies beyond. With a bit of luck we may even see a few big horn sheep on the mountain slope across the river. I don't expect any river crossings on this trip.

From the I-210 Freeway, in Azusa, turn north on, Azusa Avenue, SR-39. Azusa Avenue becomes San Gabriel Canyon Road at the north side of Azusa. Follow San Gabriel Canyon Road up the canyon, past the two dams. Above the second reservoir turn right on the East Fork Road. Proceed 3.39 miles to Shoemaker Canyon Road on your left. Turn up Shoemaker Canyon Road and continue about 1.8 miles. Park off the road near the locked gate or in the large parking area nearby. Allow 35 minutes driving time from the 210 freeway.

Trip data:

Distance:	5.5 miles, round trip
Elevation gain:	900 feet
Effort:	Easy
Sponsored by:	Jerry Drinkard
Selected by:	Mike Gessner
Led by:	Fate

We will convene at 9:15 AM. We will start hiking at 9:30 AM.

Recommended Maps:

San Gabriel Valley Area:	Automobile Club
Angeles National Forest:	U S Forest Service