

Aitken Ranch / Auburn Ravine Walk-About

Lincoln Creek Week 2007 Activity
Sunday, April 22nd, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Loren Clark, a planner with Placer County and a specialist in riparian habitat conservation policies, will be the host and leader for the Aitken Ranch / Auburn Ravine tour. The Aitken Ranch land is a Wildlands, Inc. mitigation bank. It was initially purchased utilizing Placer Legacy funds. It was the very first purchase for Placer Legacy. The site has a public trail easement paralleling Auburn Ravine that may be developed some day in the future when other trails can line up with it. A wetlands biologist will accompany the group during this walk-about.

This Walk-About will commence at E. Catlett near S. Dowd and Fiddymont, west of Lincoln. The Lincoln Creek Week organizers have arranged for a Lincoln City bus to transport walkers from Markham Park (9 am) to the Aitken Ranch / Auburn Ravine site. The Aitken Ranch site is undeveloped and unmarked, so it is difficult to find on your own. We highly recommend that folks use this City bus transportation. The City bus will be returning to Markham Park at approximately 11:45 am.

It is not an impossible dream to envision that one day our little Auburn Ravine and Markham Ravine vistas within Lincoln could one day be linked by trails to all of the vistas being preserved and enhanced throughout Placer County. Many of these efforts are described within the web links below. What a gloriously exhausting day of hiking and biking that would be!

Links:

Placer Legacy

<http://www.placer.ca.gov/CommunityDevelopment/Planning/PlacerLegacy.aspx>

Aitken Ranch

<http://www.wildlandsinc.com/aitken.htm>

Mitigation Banks

<http://www.wildlandsinc.com/mitigation.htm>

Wildlands, Inc

<http://www.wildlandsinc.com/about.htm>

Placer County Open Space Vistas

http://www.markhamravine.org/Plans_PlacerVistas.htm