November 12, 2024 Easy Hike - Walden Park to Larkey Ridge & Return

This easy hike will be from Walden Park in Walnut Creek, starting at **10 am**, to the Larkey Park ridge (past the Lindsey Wildlife Museum) via the Contra Costa Canal Trail. The distance is about 4.5 miles. The trail is fairly level except for the last part past Larkey Park. A total of about 400 feet in Accumulated Elevation Gain (AEG).

We will meet at Walden Park, 2698 Oak road, Walnut Creek. There are parking spaces for 13 cars. If parking is full, more parking is available on Jones Road near where the canal trail crosses it one block West of Walden Park. There are rest rooms at Walden Park and Larkey Park.

Bring: Hats, water, sturdy shoes, poles if you use them.

Directions to Trailhead: From Clayton take Ygnacio Valley Rd, turn right on Bancroft Rd, turn left on Treat Blvd, turn left on Oak Rd. go 0.3 mile. Walden Park, 2698 Oak Rd, is on the left. From the junction Ca-24 and I-680 go north on I-680. Take the Treat Blvd exit 48 towards Geary Rd. Go right on Treat Blvd. Take the first right turn on Oak Rd. Go 0.3 mile. Walden Park, 2698 Oak Rd, is on the left.

Optional lunch: Mona's Burgers at 1574 Palos Verde Mall,

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