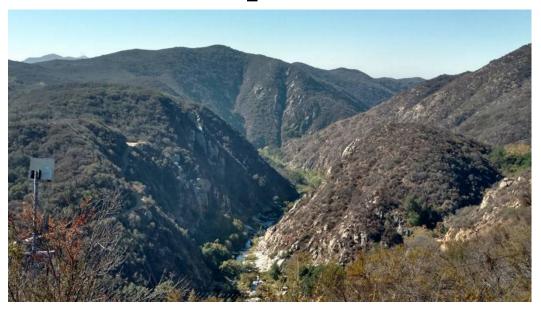


Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve View Loop Trail Hike



All hikes begin promptly at 8:00 am

This interpretive trail is a great opportunity for **families and young children** to experience the Reserve.

This hike will take place at the North Field Station facility which overlooks the beautiful Temecula Gorge.

- ➤ We will first hike the View Loop Trail, which is a short, easy interpretive hike (0.75 miles).
- ➤ For those who would like additional hiking after the View Loop Trail, you have option to hike down into the Temecula Gorge to get a closer look at the Santa Margarita River.

To register for this hike, go to **fsp.sdsu.edu/hikes**.

For additional information about hikes, contact Beth Cobb at smerdocenthikes@gmail.com.

Directions to the North Field Station Entrance

- 1. Take the I-15 freeway to Temecula.
- 2. Exit at Rancho California Road and go west (a LEFT turn coming from San Diego).
- 3. Go 2.3 miles into the foothills of the Santa Ana Mountains.
- 4. Turn LEFT onto Via Santa Rosa (the first LEFT you can make after ascending into the foothills).
- 5. Go 1.5 miles and turn RIGHT onto Via Tornado.
- 6. While driving on Via Tornado you will pass a sign that says "Dead End" and "Pavement Ends", but this is in fact the right way.
- 7. Go 0.8 mile to the entrance gate.
- 8. The trailhead is just inside the gate. A docent will assist with parking.

The address is 45985 Via Tornado, Temecula, CA 92590

> Proceed to the end of Via Tornado until you reach the large yellow gate