



**“FIRE AND ICE”
MONO BASIN AND OWENS VALLEY
(rescheduled)**

Friday June 1 to Sunday June 3, 2007



Sponsored by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management
And the Buena Vista Museum of Natural History

This field trip examines the interplay of glacial and volcanic forces over the past 600,000 years in the eastern Sierra Nevada.

On Friday the program starts at Coso Junction and we have scheduled tours at the Haiwee Power Plant (hydroelectric) and Casa Diablo Power Plant (geothermal). Friday night camping is at Honeymoon Flat campground near Bridgeport.

On Saturday we start the day at the Mono County Court House. From there we visit Mono Diggins, Bodie Ghost Town, Mono Lake Visitor's Center, Panum Crater, and the Mono Lake Tufa Towers. We then tour of the U.S. Pumice mine and then go to the Inyo Craters chain of volcanoes. After that we visit Obsidian Dome and Hot Creek. The day ends at French Camp Campground near Bishop.

On Sunday we start the day at the French Camp campground. Then we explore the mines along the east side of the Owens Valley including the Poleta, Montezuma, Jack Black, Greary Monster, Reward, Long John and FM Minerals (Inyo White Marble) mines. Then we will visit sites around Owens Lake on our way to the Olancha Dunes. The program will end at Fossil Falls.

Itinerary:

Friday June 1, 2007

10:00 AM Coso Junction (at gas station)
11:00 AM Haiwee Hydroelectric Power Plant
2:00 PM Casa Diablo Geothermal Plant Tour
10:00 PM Astronomy Lecture at Honeymoon Campground

Saturday June 2, 2007

7:00 AM Meet at Mono County Courthouse in Bridgeport
7:30 AM Dogtown
8:30 AM Bodie State Park (entry fee \$5.00)
9:30 AM Mono Lake Visitor's Center
10:30 AM Panum Crater
11:00 AM Tufa Towers
12:00 PM U.S. Pumice Mine tour
2:00 PM Inyo Craters
3:00 PM Obsidian Dome
4:00 PM Hot Creek
5:00 PM McGee Creek
6:00 PM French Camp Campground

Honeymoon Flat Campground

P.O. Box 631
Bridgeport CA 93517

Getting There:

Take US Highway 395 through Bridgeport. Turn south on the Twin Lakes Road at the Texaco. Travel on the Twin Lakes Road for about 8.1 miles. Turn right at Honeymoon Campground.

Phone Park for More Information:

Information: (760)932-9888
Project Office: (760)932-7070

French Camp Campground

Getting There:

Approximately 30 miles north of Bishop, off Highway 395. Take the Tom's Place exit from 395, turn off and go one mile up Rock Creek Road.

Phone Park for More Information:

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