Celebrating Pathways of Progress

What we’ve accomplished and where we are

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Trail Alignment

Mokelumne Coast to Crest Trail

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Mokelumne Coast to Crest Trail
A trail bisecting California

- Goals and objectives
- Design standards
- Oversight bodies
- Community involvement
- Adopted planning guide
Who We Are
MCCT Trail Council

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At Large Member REI

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Who We Are
MCCT Partners &amp; Supporters

- Trail Council
- Business Partner
- Caretaker
- Builder
- Sponsor
- Supporter

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► Quality of life
  ▪ Neighbors, community & families coming together sharing common experiences

► Healthy lifestyle, get fit
  ▪ Biking, hiking, walking, trail-running, horseback riding, nature-watching

► Alternative transportation
  ▪ Cleaner air, healthier environment

► Natural resource protection
  ▪ Open space, riparian areas, old-growth forest and wildlife habitat now and for future generations

► Opportunities for education and trail building
  ▪ Appreciation and stewardship of each region's natural environment and cultural heritage

► Enhanced economic value
  ▪ Business clusters, property value impact near the trail
Our Mission

► Multi-use trail crossing the state
► Link communities with outdoor environment
► Foster awareness and appreciation
  ▪ Natural
  ▪ Cultural
  ▪ Historical

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Residents and visitors of varying ages and physical abilities will enjoy and experience healthy outdoor leisure activities year round

- Urban greenbelt of the San Francisco Bay
- Protected open space and parkland of the East Bay
- Rural landscapes of the San Joaquin River Delta and Central Valley
- Mother Lode country
- Forested slopes of the Mokelumne River canyon and High Sierra
Rules of the road - trail etiquette

- Observe trail signs
- Stay on the trail
- Be responsible, safe, and considerate
- Follow local rules
- Respect private property
- Minimize your impact
- Protect plants and wildlife
- Bring along a GPS & cell

The Mokelumne Coast to Crest Trail
Continues on private property for the next 1 mile through the Penn Mine Environmental Restoration Project

Always stay on the marked trail alignment and do not disturb the restoration sites or structures.

This section of the trail is adopted and maintained by the Mokelumne Coast to Crest Trail Council. For more information contact the council at www.mc2ct.org

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Delta Segment
San Joaquin – Sacramento County
(concept is to align on conserved lands and on the river)
Camanche Pardee Segment
Calaveras County

MOKELUMNE AREA

LEGEND
1. Pardoe Recreation Area
2. Pardee Center
3. EBMUD Mokelumne Field Office
4. Camanche South Shore Recreation Area and
M.C.C.T. Staging Area (Turkey Hill Equestrian Camp)
5. Mokelumne River Day Use Area & Fish Hatchery
6. Camanche Hills Hunting Preserve
7. Camanche North Shore Recreation Area and
China Gulch Staging Area
8. Wildermuth House
9. Spanish Gulch
10. Big Dome
11. McAlbee Gulch
12. Lawry Flats
13. Lancha Flats Bridge
14. Camanche Creek
15. Campo Secco Staging Area -
M.C.C.T.
--- Proposed Mokelumne
Conn to Great Trail
----- Trail Open to Public

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Middle Mokelumne River Canyon Segment
Upper Mokelumne River Canyon Segment

16 miles to be signed Summer/Fall 2010

- ready for signing
- dedicated
- construction 2010
- incomplete

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It all started in 1987 by equestrians wishing to ride a trail along the Mokelumne River without running up against private property.

The National Park Service Rivers & Trails Conservation Assistance Program helped create a MCCT planning guide.
1990-1999

► Steering Committee
  ▪ municipal jurisdictions and private groups

► Resolutions endorsing the trail
  ▪ Calaveras County
  ▪ San Joaquin County
  ▪ City of Stockton Parks and Recreation Commission

► Coast to Crest Trail Relay
  ▪ water collected at Mokelumne River headwaters
  ▪ transported by hikers, horses, bikers, wagon train, & runners
  ▪ Poured back in at Martinez straits seven days later

► Trail building and agency dedications

Calaveras Supervisors: Taylor, McKay, Gordon, Tryon, Dell’Orto
2000-2008

► Millennium Trails 2000 designation by the Clinton White House

► Nonprofit status

► Fundraisers
  ▪ Survival Outdoor Safety Fundraiser
  ▪ Wine Rides
  ▪ Poker Rides

► Trail building & dedications

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2008-2010

► 2008 - 2010 Trail building and dedications

- EBMUD
- East Bay at Nejedly Staging area in Martinez
- Upper Mokelumne River Canyon

► 2009 – Projects funded

- GIS/GPS mapping, consensus building tools and internet promotion
- ARRA for Garnet Hill to Calaveras Dome trail segment
Trail Building and Dedications

► East Bay Parks & Recreation 1990 – present
  ▪ From Tilden Park to Antioch and Brentwood
  ▪ Nejedly Staging Area map panel

► EBMUD 1990 – today
  ▪ Camanche / Pardee Watershed
    ► Pardee, Camanche, Penn Mine & Campo Seco
    ► Published maps and guides

► Stanislaus Nat’l Forest 1995 – today
  ▪ Lake Alpine shoreline
  ▪ Moore Creek to Corral Hollow (except for small section at Garnet Hill)
  ▪ published SNF map
Where we are today

- Trail building
- Planning & maintaining
- Fund acquisition
- New partners, new tools
Forging forward

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Beyond MCCT

► Connectors
  - Bay Area Ridge Trail
  - Pacific Crest Trail
  - Tahoe Rim Trail via the Pacific Crest Trail
  - Middle Mokelumne (planned)

► Online trail routes and maps with pics & video

[Map of Bay Area Ridge Trail]

[Online trail routes and maps at EveryTrail.com]
Mapping trails with the Internet
GPS Vendors and Google Earth

Total one way
8.12 mi

Total Gain:
1631 ft
Total Loss:
1266 ft
Net Change:
365 ft

Salt Springs Reservoir
Jelmini Basin
Bear Trap Basin
Bear Valley
MCCT Network
Economic Benefits

- **Tourism**
  - Be mobile-wise

- **Tourist-based amenities**
  - Sports and recreation retail
  - Food & supplies
  - Gathering spots

- **Destinations**

- **Positive impact on nearby property values**

- **Trail etiquette & local trail enforcement cost/benefit**
Community Benefits

► Become or stay healthy with family and friends
► Enhance identity, pride and quality of life
► Connect with and explore other communities
Stewardship

- Preserve open space resources in both urban and rural area
  - Greenbelt
  - riparian habitat
  - old growth forest
  - wildlife habitat

- Bring trails *to the people*
Transportation Benefits

- Gets us out of the car and off the motorcycle
- Work or school commute
- Reduce traveler’s carbon footprint

Potential COG Transportation project
Mokelumne Feeder Trail

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Awards

► Community Millennium Trail 2000
  - White House Millennium Council
  - Secured with Patricia Garamendi’s assistance

► Take Pride In California 1994
  - Trailbusters (& EBMUD) for volunteer stewardship
  - U.S. Department of the Interior

► Trail Merit Award 1999
  - Trailbusters (& EBMUD)
  - Annual State Trails Conference
Thank You!

Many, many, thanks to everyone and every organization participating over these last 20+ years to build and maintain this trail.

Thanks also to all the hikers, equestrians, bicyclists, nature lovers, photographers, historians, tourists, and trail runners who use and lovingly care for this trail.