Distance: 4.7 miles:
   9.4 miles round trip

From: Moore Creek Park entrance at Chiles and Pope Valley Road
To: North end of Moore Creek Park

Moore Creek Park includes three miles of perennial Moore Creek. Hikers, mountain bicyclists, equestrians and nature lovers will find nearly six miles of trails for exploring 673 acres of oak woodland, grasslands, Madrone and Douglas Fir forest, and patches of chaparral. Trail visitors will enjoy Moore Creek Trail's rustic character as it meanders through the newly-opened park, along the ridge and then in and out of shade provided by creekside trees and native bushes. Pick up a trail map of the park at the parking lot kiosk! Start out from the park entrance on the multi-use Valentine Vista Trail, a Ridge Trail section which climbs the ridge on the east side of the Park, offering views of the valley, Lake Hennessey and beyond, before descending down to the Moore Creek Trail near the middle of the park. (At this point you could turn south (left) onto the Moore Creek Trail for a 1.2-mile hike back to the staging area.) Continue north (right) on the natural surface, multi-use Moore Creek Trail (another Ridge Trail section) which crosses each of the several low creek crossings on wooden timbers. This is not a steep trail (400’ elevation gain/loss) so it offers opportunities to slow down, enjoy the creek, trailside flora and fauna, and views up the steep slopes to the sky on either side of the narrow canyon. Return back the way you came, using the Valentine Vista Trail; or stay entirely on the Moore Creek Trail.