

# Daley Ranch Naturalist Hikes

## January 2019

*All hikes begin at the Daley Ranch entrance on La Honda Drive unless otherwise noted. Bring water, sun hat, sunscreen, and proper hiking boots or treaded footwear. All trails include steep and/or slippery sections. Please do not leave valuables in your car. Steady rain cancels a hike. The hike schedule is also available at [www.escondido.org](http://www.escondido.org) and [www.visitescondido.com](http://www.visitescondido.com). Please note that drinking water is not available in many areas of Daley Ranch so be sure to carry a sufficient supply.*

### **Saturday, January 12, 2019, 7:00 a.m. “Hike Daley Ranch” 5 to 7 Miles**

Meet Naturalist William Sherrard for a slow to moderately paced hike on the trails of Daley Ranch. The planned hike is between five and seven miles in length and will last about 2.5 to 3.0 hours. He will be happy to map out a hike for those wishing to go longer distances. Choices are hikes of 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16 or 18 miles in length.

### **Sunday, January 13, 2019, 8:30 a.m. “Wintering and Resident Birds of Lake Wohlford”**

Naturalist Sally Sanderson will lead an easy-paced bird walk of about 3 miles, lasting two to three hours at Lake Wohlford. We will follow the southern and eastern shoreline from the parking lot on Oakvale Road. We hope to see a Bald Eagle perching on its favorite tree or hunting in the lake for fish. Common Mergansers should be back from their northern summer haunts. Bring binoculars, hat, water, and wear layered clothing. Heavy rain cancels.

### **MEET AT THE LAKE WOHLFORD/OAKVALE TRAILHEAD AT 8:30 A.M.**

*Lake Wohlford Trailhead—From Interstate 15, take the Valley Parkway exit in Escondido and go northeast about 5.5 miles. Turn right on Lake Wohlford Road and go about a mile to Oakvale Road. Turn slightly right onto Oakvale and go about one mile. Turn left into the fenced parking lot.*

### **Saturday, January 19, 2019, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. “Eagle Peak Clean Up”**

You are invited to come abate the litter and graffiti. Bags, trash pickers, vests, Elephant Snot and water will be provided. Long sleeves, gloves, pants, closed-toe shoes and sun protection recommended. Minors must bring a guardian. Rain cancels.

For more information, contact Ranger Kathy (760) 839-4345 or [kboyd@escondido.org](mailto:kboyd@escondido.org).

### **Saturday, January 26, 2019, 7:00 a.m. “Hike Daley Ranch” 5 to 7 Miles**

Meet Naturalist William Sherrard for a slow to moderately paced hike on the trails of Daley Ranch. The planned hike is between five and seven miles in length and will last about 2.5 to 3.0 hours. He will be happy to map out a hike for those wishing to go longer distances. Choices are hikes of 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16 or 18 miles in length.

### **Directions to Hike Locations**

**La Honda Trailhead**—From Interstate 15, take the El Norte Parkway exit in Escondido. Go east four miles to La Honda Drive, turn left, drive one mile to Daley Ranch entrance and park in dirt lot on left.

**Cougar Pass Trailhead**—From Interstate 15, take the El Norte Parkway exit in Escondido east about a half mile to Broadway. Take Broadway north four miles to Cougar Pass (dirt road), turn right, and drive one mile. Park in the asphalt lot on left.

**Caballo Trailhead**—From Interstate 15, take the Valley Parkway exit in Escondido and go northeast about 5 miles. Turn left at Bevin into the Eureka Springs development. Follow the road toward the filtration plant entrance and turn right at the Escondido Humane Society sign (Volunteer Lane). Park in the dirt parking lot.

**Lake Wohlford Trailhead**—From Interstate 15, take the Valley Parkway exit in Escondido and go northeast about 5.5 miles. Turn right on Lake Wohlford Road and go about a mile to Oakvale Road. Turn slightly right onto Oakvale and go about one mile. Turn left into the fenced parking lot.