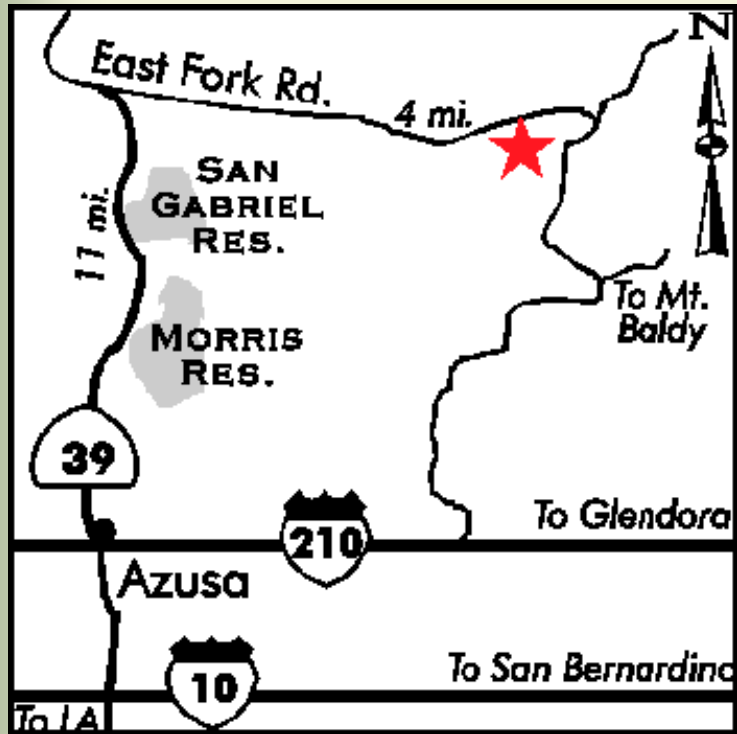


Map to Camp Williams



Directions

Exit the 210 Freeway at Azusa Avenue/Highway 39. Go north through the City of Azusa toward the mountains. Enter San Gabriel Canyon and drive approximately 11 miles to the East Fork Bridge. When you reach the bridge, turn right and **CROSS THE BRIDGE**. Drive approximately 4 miles to Camp Williams Resort and Campground

Placer Pete's Gold Camp Sample Agenda



2017 Gold Camp Agenda

Camp Williams
24210 East Fork Road
Azusa, CA 91702

Welcome

Let's go back to the 1850s, a time when gold in California caught the attention of any man willing and able to seek his fortune. Although most men ended up in the gold fields up North a few were lucky enough to make strikes right here in the San Gabriel's.

In 1854 the first strike was noted by the Los Angeles Star and from that time on people streamed into the canyon to seek their fortunes. By May of 1859 the entire stretch of the East fork was being prospected and it was said that color could be found in each and every pan.

Over the last 130 years it is estimated that around \$13 million in gold has been retrieved in one form or another out of the waters of the East fork and the surrounding mountains that feed it.

Flood Destroys Canyon City—

The floods of 1857 and 1861 were a hard blow to mining operations on the San Gabriel and finally in 1861 nearly everything in the way of mining equipment was swept out of the canyon.

A regular "Wild West" mining town called Eldoradoville had been established at the main fork, nine miles up the river from Azusa, and by 1861 had grown to a population of about 1600.

This town was entirely washed away in the winter of 1881-1882, probably on Saturday, January 18, 1882, when the San Gabriel poured such a flood into the valley as few now have ever seen. THE AZUSA HERALD 1882

Event Schedule

Friday

3:00 PM - Camp Opens for Registration Camp
5:00 PM - Registration closed for Staff Dinner
6:00 PM - Registration open
8:30 PM - Registration Closes for the evening
9:15 PM - Leaders Meeting at town square (1 Member from each party must attend) Please be prompt!
10:30 - Lights Out

Saturday

8:45 AM - Flag and Opening Show (bring a chair, personal water and a hat) Panning Lesson, History Talk, & gold panning Contest - Stage
10:15 AM - The BIG DIG - All Day until Finished
10:00 AM - Panning Lesson at the river
4:30 PM - Dinner set up / cooking to the kitchen please
5:00 PM - Pre-Dinner show and election of Mayor [Mayor's party is guest of honor for dinner] - Town Square
New - Guest Gun Fight - You can have a real gun fight against your favorite unit hombre, see who the fastest gun in the unit is. Loads of Laughs - bring your cameras (\$2/shooter - Must be 18 & over).
5:45 PM - Miners Meal - Kitchen
7:15 PM - Dinner Cleanup help to the kitchen please - Kitchen
8:30 PM - Campfire program [Bring you chair and some water] - Town Square
10:30 PM - Lights out

Sunday

9:00 AM - Flag Ceremony / Awards Ceremony / Gold Nugget Drawing - Town Square
10:45 AM - Cars in camp
12:00 PM - Camp Closes