

# Mission Peak

“Perhaps the denizens of this valley are so accustomed to the sight of Mission Peak that they fail to appreciate the dignity and individuality which it gives to the landscape. Whether the outlines, snow-capped may be, are sharp and distinct on a clear, frosty morning in winter, or overspread with the purple afterglow of a summer sunset; whether rising grim and rugged against black storm clouds, or emerging into sunlight from unwinding fog wreaths, the mountain has a majesty of its own...”

“It is a singular fact that many living in the township, even some born and reared here, have never ascended this mountain. They have gone to Tamalpais, tramped to Diablo, and to other mountains farther off, ignorant of the vast and wonderful landscape to be seen from their own. Standing on the top, when the day is clear, we can see far in the east the shining summits of the high Sierra...Spread out between is the great plain of the San Joaquin, and the smaller valleys of San Ramon, Livermore and Sunol. The canyon immediately in front drops down 2,000 feet into Rosedale, and on the other side are the serrated crags of the Calaveras. Far and faint in the south is the huge bulk of the Gabilans, while nearer is flat-topped Loma Prieta, and closer still the silver dome and clustered dwelling of Lick Observatory, with the higher top of Mount Hamilton behind. Due north rise the splendid double peaks of Mount Diablo, the giant of the Coast Range.” (Excerpted from *History of Washington Township, 1904*, Stanford University Press.)

**TODAY** Mission Peak trails begin at Fremont’s Ohlone College campus and at the east end of Stanford Avenue off Mission Boulevard. The Bay Area Ridge Trail passes through the park into Santa Clara County’s Ed Levin County Park. Mission Peak’s panorama includes the southern arm of San Francisco Bay and the area from San Jose to Mount Tamalpais. To the north can be seen Mount Diablo, the San Ramon Valley, and the Hamilton Range. Coyote Hills Regional Park is visible to the west by the Dumbarton Bridge, and eastward is Sunol Regional Wilderness. No drinking water is available along the trails. Wear sturdy hiking shoes. Keep the area free of litter so others may enjoy the beauty as you do.

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**PARK OFFICE ..... 1-888-327-2757, option 3, ext. 4545**  
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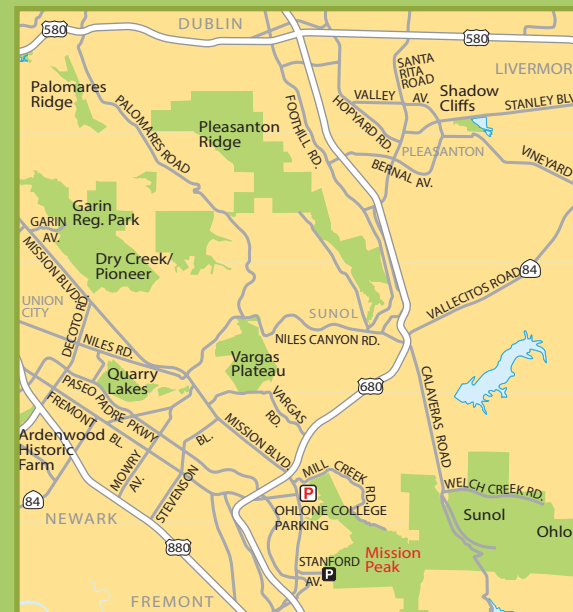
The Wings of Rogallo has an agreement with the Park District to conduct hang gliding and paragliding activities at the Preserve, so while at the peak, don’t be surprised if a quiet hang glider whisks ‘round the peak or overhead. You can wave to the pilot – at eye level.

The South Bay Soaring Society (SBSS) has an agreement with the Park District to use R/C Hill to fly remote-controlled aircraft. No motorized or gas-powered aircraft are allowed. All remote-controlled pilots launching at R/C Hill must be members of SBSS and must have in their possession a current membership card. No other sites within Mission Peak Regional Preserve are approved for this activity.

**INTERPRETIVE HIKES** The interpretive staff at Coyote Hills Regional Park plans organized hikes along the slopes and the peak. For more information, call (510) 544-3220, or see [www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org).

**BICYCLE POLICY** Safe multiple use on these trails requires your cooperation. The East Bay Regional Park District’s Bicycle Ordinance is summarized below:

- Bicycles shall not be ridden in a negligent, unsafe, or reckless manner, or in a way that endangers the life, limb, or property of any person.
- Bicycles are permitted on paved roads, paved bike trails, and unpaved roads over 8 feet in width, unless otherwise posted.
- Bicycles are not permitted on single-track hiking or horseback riding trails.
- Bicycles are not permitted to ride cross country on Regional Parklands. All bicycles use is restricted to permitted trails only.
- Bicycles shall not be ridden at a speed exceeding 15 miles per hour on any trail with a posted speed limit.
- Bicycles shall not be ridden at excessive speeds, especially when passing other trail users or in areas with short sight distances, or in an irresponsible manner in violation of published trail etiquette or posted bicycle speed limits.
- Bicycles must travel in single file on the right side of the trail when on turns or blind corners.
- Bicycles are not permitted in any park or area posted pursuant to a resolution of closure or restriction adopted by the Park District Board of Directors.



### To Reach Mission Peak Regional Preserve:

#### 43600 Mission Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539

The Ohlone College staging area (900 parking spaces) is just south of the I-680 northern Mission Boulevard exit (in the Mission San Jose area). Park in lots D, E, G, H, or K. Purchase a parking ticket from the vending machine. Proceed to the Park District information panel at the trailhead.

#### 1997 Stanford Ave, Fremont, CA 94539

The Stanford Avenue staging area (43 parking spaces) is just north of the southern Mission Boulevard exit.

**Public Transit:** Call 817-1717 or 5-1-1, or see 511.org.



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