Garin/Dry Creek Pioneer Regional Parks
Staging Area: Garin Avenue Staging Area, Hayward. Route: From the parking area take the High Ridge Loop Trail to F.D. 143 and meet back with High Ridge Loop Trail. Turn right onto Newt Pond Trail, use caution when crossing Dry Creek, and then go left on Old Homestead Trail. Keep right to ride the Vista Peak Loop Trail which returns to Old Homestead Trail and follow back to the staging area. Description: This route is primarily made up of service roads. This is a great ride for a good workout, as it has steep climbs up High Ridge Loop, before a decent downhill which includes a winding narrow section along Newt Pond Trail. For a shorter ride you may eliminate the Vista Peak Loop section. Loop direction: counter-clockwise. Trail type: 1-lane dirt road, narrow. Length: 8-10 miles. Elevation gain: 2,300 feet. Approximate time: 2 hours, 30 minutes.