



2026 April Guided Bird Walk Information



Park & Location: Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA), 13300 White Rock Rd, Rancho Cordova, CA (916) 985-7378

Where: Zone 5 (Yost) Haul Rd. Directional signage will be posted, just after the entrance kiosk, and along the main roads to a designated parking area. [Park Info Sheet and Map](#)

Directions to Tour: Turn left after the entrance kiosk, continue for 0.50 miles, and turn left at the temporary directional sign at the double green gates. This will be the first road of any kind on your left.

Days/Time: Thursday, April 30, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$5 entrance fee per vehicle day-use parking fee. We accept only the California State Parks Distinguished Veteran's Pass and the OHMVR Day-Use Parking Pass.

What to expect: Lead birders from Sacramento Audubon Society and California State Parks will bring spotting scopes and assist in the identification of audible and visual bird species. Common species include White-Crowned Sparrow, Northern Mockingbird, Turkey Vulture and Northern Harrier. Rarer, but possible sightings include Bald Eagle, Great-Horned Owl, and Rock Wren.

Length and Terrain: 2-hour program along an easy to moderate two-mile round trip along an old, paved haul road that is lined with cottonwood tree stands, willow thickets, grass covered gold dredge tailings and open grasslands. Some water features will be visible in the distance. The tours path of travel may vary, depending upon recent weather and avian sightings.

Ages: Appropriate for ages 10+. Minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Preparation: Wear appropriate footwear (hiking or rain boots) and layered clothing, including a raincoat or sun hat and sunscreen. Bring water and snacks. A limited number of binoculars are available for use. A portable toilet and washing station are on location and accessible.

Special instructions: Steady, but light rain okay. Heavy rain/wind cancels. No dogs please. Enter through the Park's main entrance gate off White Rock Rd., not Special Event Gate 4 off Scott Rd.

For additional information: Contact Prairie City SVRA at (916) 985-1093 or prairie.city@parks.ca.gov.

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