

# News Release



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## **Auburn State Recreation Area: Parts of Park Closed for Events This Weekend**

**COOL** – Portions of the Auburn State Recreation Area will be closed this weekend during two popular events: the Way Too Cool 50K run and the 10-mile Cool Mountain Bike Race.

**On Saturday, March 14**, for one day only, the Knickerbocker Horse Assembly area and the parking lot will be closed to public use from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. for the run.

The Way Too Cool 50K run on Sunday sold out to 450 participants in December. The run follows a scenic 31-mile course along the Middle Fork of the American River Canyon. Special event participants will be utilizing all facilities and area trails.

**On Sunday, March 15**, also for one day only, the Knickerbocker Horse Assembly area and the Olmstead Loop Trail will be closed to the general public from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the endurance mountain bike race.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Cool Mountain Bike Race is a fundraiser for trail construction and maintenance at the park. Registration is Friday and Saturday 10-5 a.m. at Auburn Bike Works and on Sunday 8 -10 a.m. at the park. The race begins at 10:15 a.m. Registration limited to 425 participants.

For additional information contact the park office at Auburn State Recreation Area, Gold Fields District (530) 823-4141.

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