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Eaton Canyon to Henninger Flat

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Eaton Canyon Nature Center in Altadena to Henninger Flats or Eaton Canyon Falls

The hike to Henninger Flats is on a closed fire road with numerous landslides along the way. There are nice views of the LA area if the visibility is good. Elevation gain is 1400 ft and hike is about 5.5 miles round trip. For people preferring a longer hike, continue on the fire road (actually called Mt Wilson Toll Road) toward Mt. Wilson. About a little over a mile beyond Henninger Flats the road is shaded with lots of taller trees. Henninger Flats is a pleasant campground with lots of trees and picnic tables. For those preferring a shorter hike, the Eaton Canyon Trail to Eaton Canyon Falls is a pleasant hike. There is only a slight elevation gain and round trip to the falls is 3.5 miles. Hiking the last 0.65 miles to the fall is a little more rugged with numerous stream crossing and lots of rock hopping. We will have refreshments just beyond the parking lot where there are picnic tables. Andy Gumps are available near the picnic tables.

Directions to Trailhead: From the Foothill Freeway (210) exit at Sierra Madre Blvd/ Altadena Dr (eastbound) and if driving westbound on the 210, exit at San Gabriel Blvd/ San Marino. Turn north on Altadena Dr. and follow it about 1.5 miles. Just beyond New York Dr, enter Eaton Canyon Nature Area Park on the right. Drive to the far end of the parking lot for parking, just beyond the nature center.