

From Pasadena to Stony Ridge Observatory - aprx a 40 minutes' drive:

210 Fwy west to Hwy 2 (Angeles Crest Hwy).

Exit at Angeles Crest Hwy. Turn right onto Angeles Crest Hwy.

Proceed to mileage marker 47.54 at Charlton Flats Picnic Area.

Turn right onto unmarked paved road, in short distance the road becomes graded dirt.

Continue .64 miles on dirt road to a wide area where you encounter a fork.

As Yogi Berra would say "Take it!" Actually, take the branch to the right toward the US Forest Service gate, normally locked, but open for scheduled visitors.

Continue through the gate, 0.3 mile to observatory driveway, turn right up to the observatory.

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General Information
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Observatory telephone number 626-440-1042

** There is NO cell phone service in this area.

** If you are lost or need to call the observatory, there is a payphone at the Charlton Flats parking lot on Angeles Crest Hwy (ACH).

There is food service at Newcomb's Ranch restaurant about 3 miles farther up ACH. However the hours of operation are during the day, Thu - Fri: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Sat - Sun: 7:00 am - 4:00 pm.

The observatory has a refrigerator stocked with bottled water and soft drinks. Snacks, tea and coffee for visitors are usually available at the site.

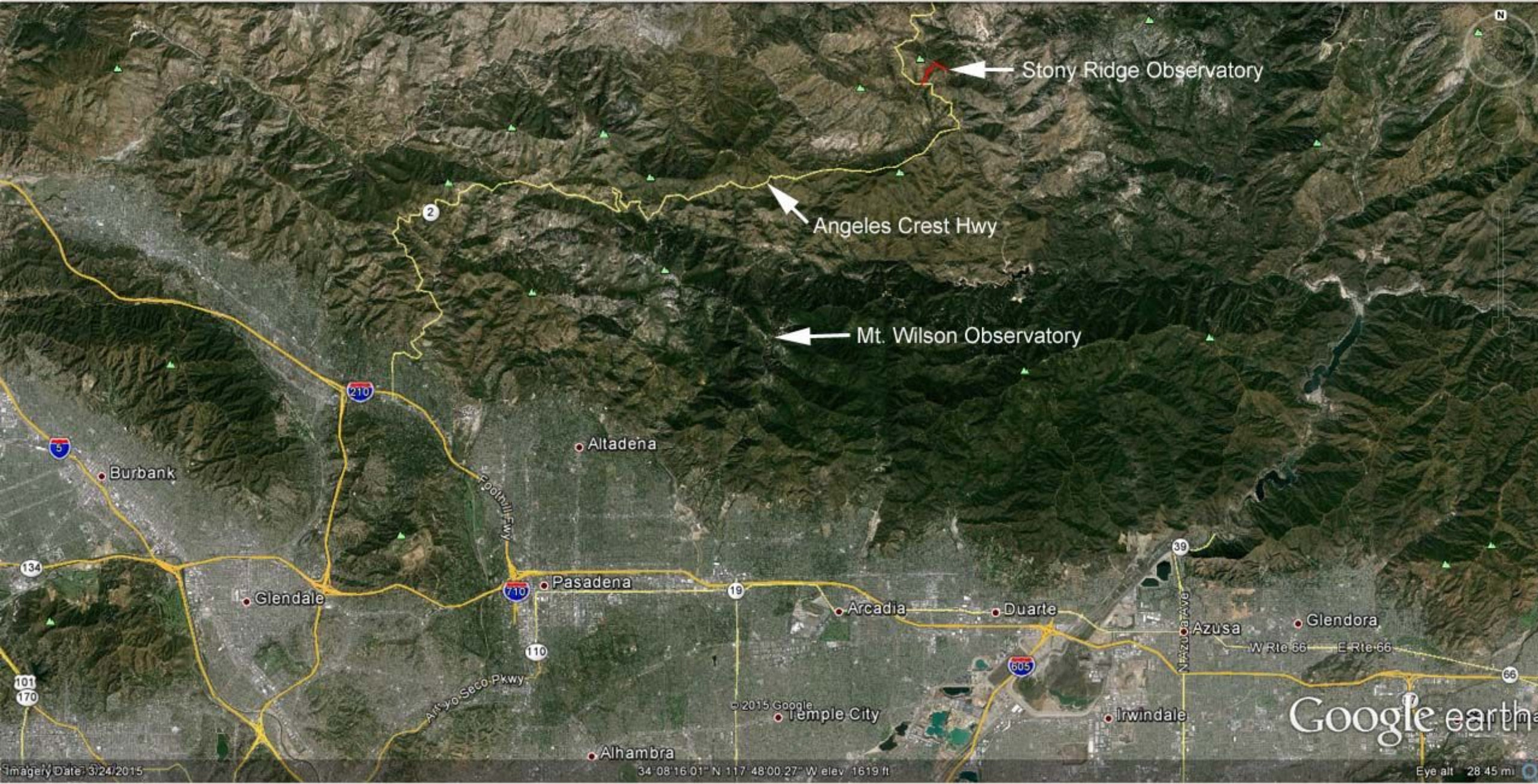
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To keep our insurance company happy, ALL visitors must sign an Agreement of Release and Indemnity (last page of this document) and give to SRO host at the site.
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Warnings
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* No cell phone service at Stony Ridge. We do have regular land-line service at the site.

* POODLE DOG BUSH - a poisonous weed abundant around the site - Don't touch!

* Although rarely a problem, be attentive as to where you step, RATTLESNAKES have been seen in the area. Emergency information is posted in the Administration building.



Stony Ridge Observatory

Angeles Crest Hwy

Mt. Wilson Observatory

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Turnoff from Angeles Crest Highway at Mileage Marker 47.54
Onto Mt. Mooney Road (paved turning to dirt).
It's 0.64 miles to the locked USFS gate.
And 0.3 miles further to observatory driveway.

Mt. Mooney

Locked USFS Gate

Mt. Mooney Road

Stony Ridge Observatory

Angeles Crest Highway
at mileage marker 47.54

Dirt Road

ACH to Chilao

Angeles Crest Highway

Charlton Flats Picnic Area Parking lot

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AGREEMENT OF RELEASE AND INDEMNITY

I, the undersigned, for myself and on behalf of my representatives, heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns, agree:

1. TO WAIVE, RELEASE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE Stony Ridge Observatory, Inc, its officers, directors, members, agents, servants and employees, together with their representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, (hereinafter collectively "Stony Ridge") of and from any and all rights or all claims for damages and causes of action which I now have or at any time in the future may have against Stony Ridge by reason of any matter or thing whatsoever which in any way relates to or involves my use of or my presence at the Stony Ridge Observatory in the Angeles Crest National Forest.

2. TO ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY OF ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY DUE TO NEGLIGENCE OF STONY RIDGE, whether foreseeable or unforeseeable, which might arise or exist while I am at the Stony Ridge Observatory or in the Angeles Crest National Forest.

3. TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD STONY RIDGE HARMLESS from any and all liabilities, claims, damages and actual attorneys' fees, (including any and all costs and expenses incurred by its attorneys) which might arise or be caused by any act or conduct which is carried on or performed by me or any person, or instrumentality present at the Stony Ridge Observatory or in the Angeles Crest National Forest because of, or at, my invitation or request.

4. TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD STONY RIDGE HARMLESS from any and all liabilities, claims, damages and actual attorneys' fees, (including any and all costs and expenses incurred by its attorneys) concerning injury to myself or damage to my vehicle arising from travel on unimproved dirt and gravel roads between Highway 2 (Angeles Crest Highway) and Stony Ridge, and at the Stony Ridge site. I understand that that travel on those roads, which may be rough and rutted, is at my own risk.

This agreement is made on _____, 20____, at Los Angeles County, California

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS RELEASE

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Signature

(Parent's signature if under 18 years of age)

Print Name

Print Name