

Davis Botanical Society Presents

A field trip to the Red Hills of Tuolumne County

Saturday, May 4, 2019, 7 am to 6 pm

Trip leaders: Barry and Judy Breckling

The Red Hills Management Area is located just south of the town of China Camp in Tuolumne County, about two hours from Davis. The entire 7,100-acre management area has been designated as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern by the Bureau of Land Management to protect the rare plant species and other sensitive resources of the area. The unusual serpentine soils provide habitat for a unique assemblage of plant species. Included among the sparse cover of gray pine (*Pinus sabiniana*) and thorny buckbrush (*Ceanothus cuneatus*) is a rich variety of annual wildflowers that put on a showy display every spring. Species we may encounter include the rare endemic Red Hills ragwort (*Packera clevelandii*), as well as other rare species such as Rawhide Hill onion (*Allium tuolumnense*), Red Hills soaproot (*Chlorogalum grandiflorum*), Layne's ragwort (*Packera layneae*), Mariposa cryptantha (*Cryptantha mariposae*), and Congdon's lomatium (*Lomatium congdonii*). Join us as we explore the diverse flora and picturesque scenery of this unique area!

Details: Trip is limited to 20 participants. We will meet in the parking lot across from the Arboretum headquarters at UC Davis (lot 46) at 7:00 a.m. Please wear shoes comfortable for walking. Bring lunch, hat, sunscreen, and water. We won't be walking extremely long distances but will be walking on hiking trails and potentially off-trail on uneven surfaces.

Cost: Free. *Only open to members of the Davis Botanical Society and one guest. New members are welcome!* Make your reservations using the form below. Please reserve by April 23, 2019. Please fill out the form below and mail to UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity, Plant Sciences Mail Stop 7, One Shields Ave, Davis, CA 95616. Contact Jennifer Poore (jpoore@ucdavis.edu) for more information or confirmation of your spot.

Red Hills field trip reservation form:

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Can you drive a car? If so, how many passengers can you take? _____