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How to Find the CSUFresno San Joaquin Experimental Range

You can use this list of landmarks to find the CSUFresno San Joaquin Experimental Range. See also the accompanying map. The Range is about a half-hour drive from Fresno. You will be in rush hour traffic, so be careful and plan ahead. See your lab schedule for the time and dates to meet at the Range.

On Range nights, we do not meet at Fresno State, unless the weather is poor. **In the event of poor weather, labs will be held at Fresno State, in the regular lab classrooms, at the regular times. It is your responsibility to check your instructor's voicemail** (Prof. Ringwald: 278-8426 or Prof. White: 278-4071) **for a weather report, and to determine the meeting place.**

Bring a jacket or sweater, since it is usually cool during the evening hours. Plan to stay 2 hours.
Bring also your PSci 21 lab manual, The Stars, by H. A. Rey, and a flashlight, preferably a red one, although the lab instructors should have red plastic for making flashlights into red lights.

If possible, try to carpool to cut down on parking congestion.

Before you leave, be sure you have at least a half a tank of gas.

Fuel usage estimate: 2 to 4 gallons, depending on your car's fuel economy

Directions:

Use **Freeway 41 North to leave Fresno.**

After crossing the San Joaquin River: **Continue North on 41.**

Highway 41 narrows just before Avenue 12. The first signal is at Avenue 12.

At Avenue 15 there is a **gas station** on the left. This station closes at 11:00 p.m.

The pumps are usually turned off at 10:55 pm.

At Route 145 there is a traffic signal.

After Route 145, Highway 41 makes a large right-hand bend. About half a mile after the bend ends, you will see a **Valero gas station** on the left. Important: This is the last chance for gas, and this station closes before 10:00 p.m. **At the Valero station: 4.5 miles to go!**

The **dashed yellow line** becomes a **double yellow line**.

Absolutely No Passing on the Double Yellow line! Be safe: be patient and take it slow.

Highway 41 widens at first, but after a mile becomes narrow and twisty.

Watch for the green sign that says, "**Elevation 1000 feet**".

Next are two signs next to each other:

A green sign that says "**Road 406**" and a blue sign that says: "**Water 1 mile**". **DO NOT TURN HERE!!!** Only 1/2 a mile to go! Slow down to 30 mph and begin signaling for a right turn: don't get rear-ended.

Watch for another blue sign that says: "**Water ½ mile**". **THIS IS IT!** Turn right here.

This road is called "Road 8063." GPS coordinates for this right turn are: 37.098480 -119.748086.

(If you see a blue sign that says WATER AHEAD, you've gone half a mile too far.)

For safety, use the turn-out, to let people pass you. Highway 41 does not have a shoulder where you will be turning. Other drivers do not expect anyone to want to turn here, so watch your rear.

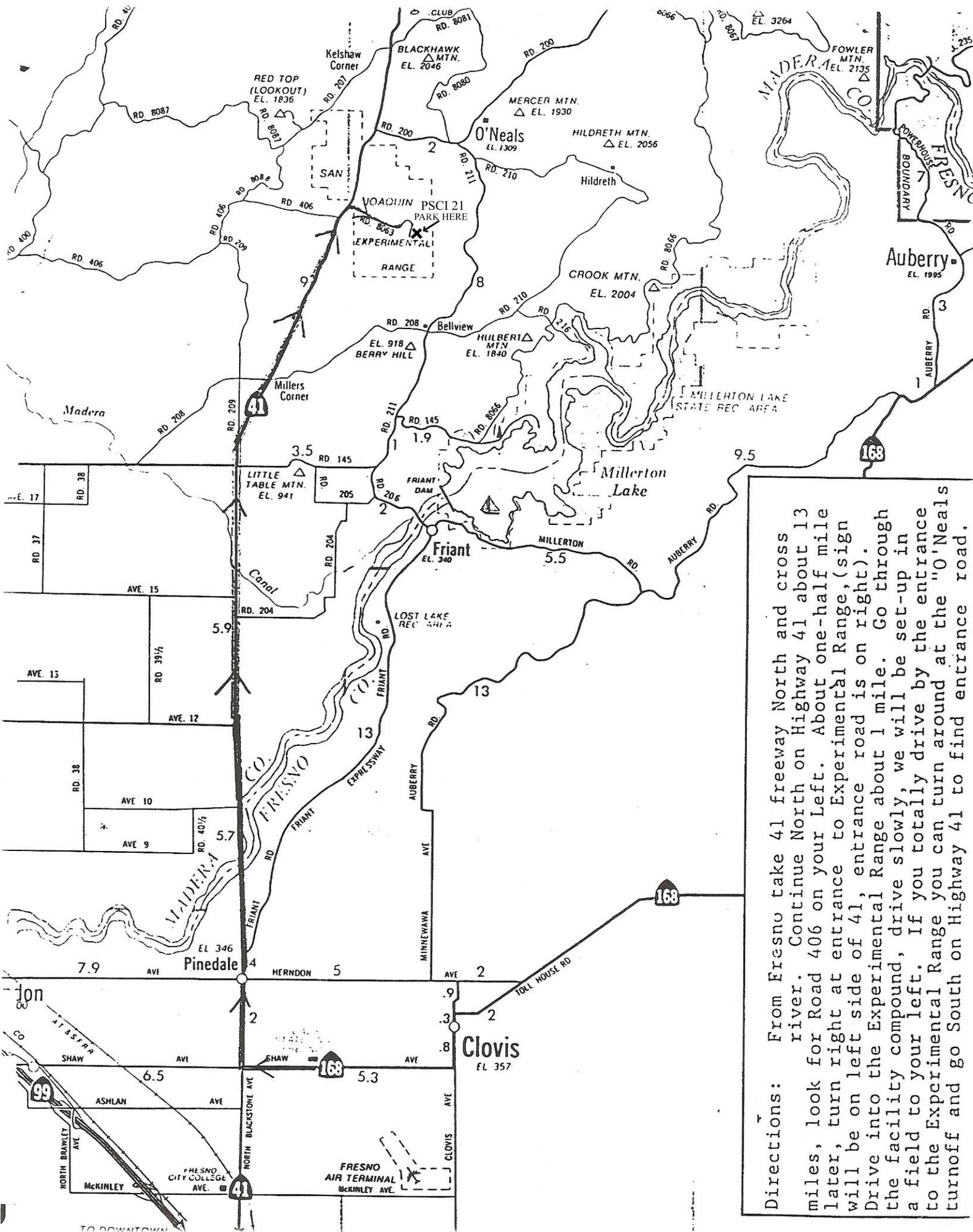
Follow this road. Be careful of cows on or near the road. Do not turn off this road. Drive about 1 mile.

Ignore the Corral Sign: Keep left, when the road twists toward the left. It will then twist toward the right.

Pass some buildings. Continue ahead slowly. GPS coordinates are: 37.089310, -119.722975

When the road bends left, park past the white building on your left. **Pull in far: don't get rammed.**

If you're lost: If you are on Highway 41, and come to the towns of Coarsegold or Oakhurst, or Yosemite National Park, or if you see Road 200 or Road 207 or Road 8081, **you're too far north**, so go south on 41. If you're going south on 41, the entrance to the Range is on the left between Road 200 and Road 406.



Directions: From Fresno take 41 freeway North and cross river. Continue North on Highway 41 about 13 miles, look for Road 406 on your Left. About one-half mile later, turn right at entrance to Experimental Range, (sign will be on left side of 41, entrance road is on right). Drive into the Experimental Range about 1 mile. Go through the facility compound, drive slowly, we will be set-up in a field to your left. If you totally drive by the entrance to the Experimental Range you can turn around at the "O'Neals turnoff and go South on Highway 41 to find entrance road.