

Corral Canyon to Zuma Canyon
Via Backbone Trail
2.5 miles of new trail opened 12/6



OTP Hike # 451 - 1/13/99 - 9:30 AM - Dick Battin

Distance	11.4 miles
Total Elevation Gain/Loss	1055/1305 Ft.
Hiking Time	5:36
Difficulty	Moderate (a little long but easy in elevation gain/loss)

This is a hike along well traveled and maintained trails through chaparral in small valleys and along ridges. We cross Latigo Canyon and Dume roads before ending the hike on Encinal Canyon road.

We will hike across the top of Zuma Canyon and look, longingly down the canyon, remembering Jim Carlin's beautiful award winning hike. We will stop (2 minutes) at the 1st waterfall in Zuma Canyon since it is only a few yards off of the main trail.

Note: No one will be allowed to leave the trail and hike down Zuma Canyon looking for lost memories. On second thought, anyone who cannot resist and does hike down Zuma Canyon will be picked up at the Kanan rd. parking lot as that is where we will have refreshments at the end of the hike.

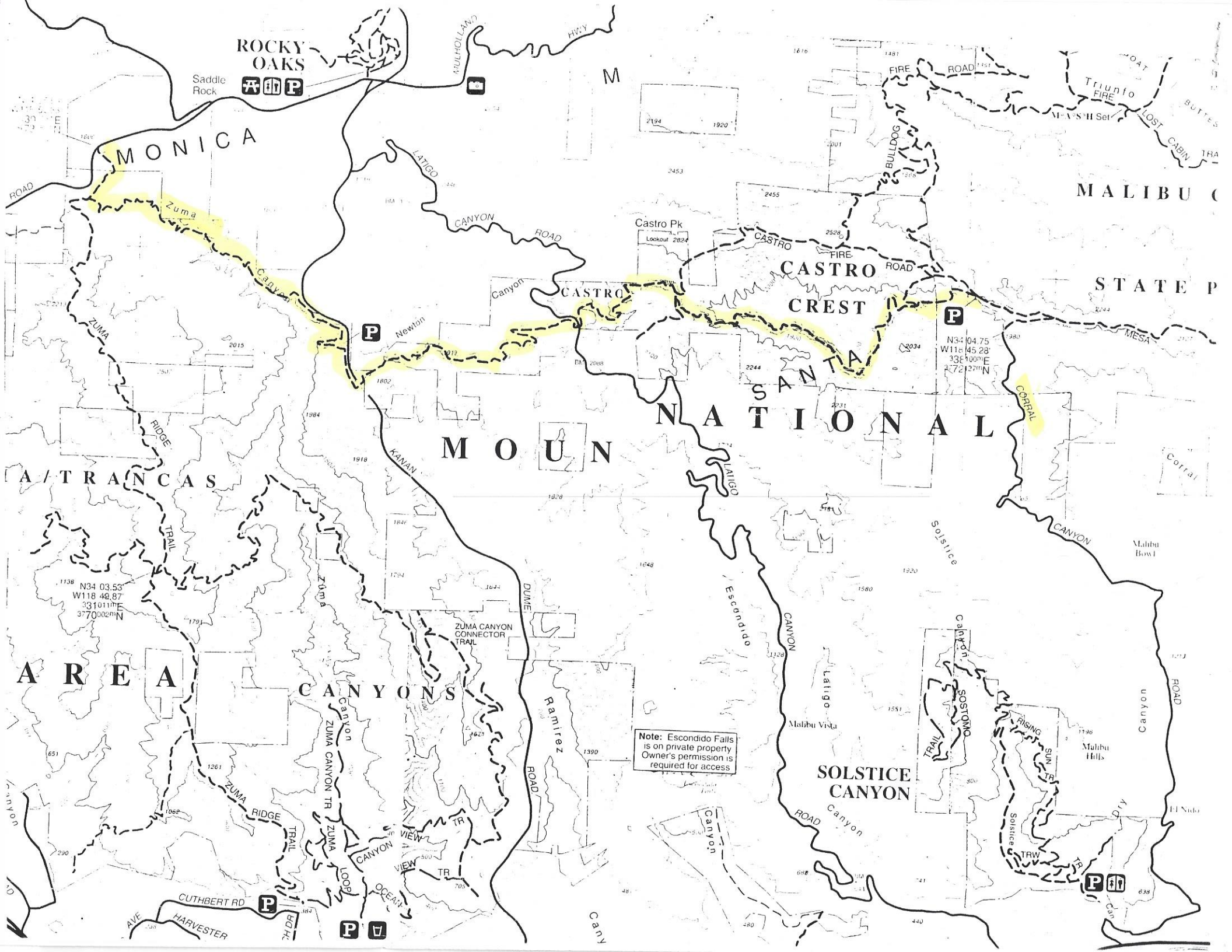
The last 2.5 miles of trail from Zuma Canyon to Encinal road was completed December 6 and is the newest section of the Backbone trail. A good alternate hike would be from the end point on Encinal road to Dume road and back. This is a good trail with very little elevation differential and 8 miles round trip. Another alternate 5 mile hike is to go up Castro fire road and loop around on the Backbone trail.

We will have another simple ?? car shuttle as follows: (comments welcomed) Ron and John Chady will drop their passengers at PCH/Corral cyn road at 8:35. Other car pools will be coordinated for the number of passengers they can pick up to take up Corral cyn. road. (5.4 miles and about 15 minutes). Ron and John will be picked up at the trail end at 8:55 and brought to the hike start at 9:30.

Travel Directions:

Go to Corral canyon rd. which is 2.2 miles west of the Mailbu canyon rd. intersection with PCH. Pick up waiting passengers if possible and go to the end of Corral canyon road.

Many thanks to Vicky & Jim Carlin for helping me scout and decide on the hike and to Ron Forbess for doing the elevation profile.



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Saddle Rock



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SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

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Note: Escondido Falls is on private property. Owner's permission is required for access.



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