## Rim of the Bay Progressive Hike Award

## **Mission Peak**

**Jurisdiction**: East Bay Regional Park District **Hike Length**: 6.9 miles round trip (Peak Trail)

Elevation: 2,517' Elevation Gain: 1,997'

Maps:

USGS - 7.5 min Niles

AAA - Alameda-Contra Costa Counties, Fremont, Newark, and Vicinity, North Bay Counties EBRPD - Folder Mission Peak Regional Preserve with trail map. (Suggest you write ahead for this) **Directions**:

West Bay:

Take BART to end of line, Fremont. Then take AC Transit bus #24 or #28 to Ohlone College.

Cross SF/Oakland Bay Bridge, south on Highway 880 to Durham Road exit. East on Durham Road to Mission Blvd. Turn left on Mission Blvd. to either entrance of Ohlone College (parking 50 cents per car when school is in session). Buy parking permit at lot D or H, or turn onto Stanford Ave. and drive east to the staging area where cars can park free of charge.

East Bay:

From Dublin, Pleasanton, Livermore areas, take Highway 680 south to Mission Blvd. exit. Turn left on Mission Blvd. and drive to Ohlone College or Stanford Ave. as above.

From Oakland, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Hayward, take BART as above, or Highway 880 as above.

## Trail:

There are two alternatives:

Peak Trail: From parking lot at Ohlone College, hike to site of the campus swimming pool at back of campus. Looking toward the hills, you will see a hiker's stile. Climb over the stile and take PEAK TRAIL to Mission Peak.

Hidden Valley Trail: From the staging area at the east end of Stanford Ave., take the Hidden Valley Trail. From the map, this appears to have many switchbacks, and although only .2 miles longer than Peak Trail, seems less inviting.

There are two summits; the second, about 100 yards distance, is the highest.

See also Hiking up Mission Peak

NOTE: Some of the information in these descriptions, especially information about camping, may be quite dated. You should contact the appropriate agency to get the most current information.