OTP & Others -- Hike 401 -- 5 Nov 97 Mt. Williamson loop/shuttle

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We will start at an unnamed saddle that is 2.5 past Krakta Ridge Ski Area (about paddle 65.5 on Angeles Crest Highway). The cars will be parked at Islip Saddle, which is 1.5 miles farther up ACH, and the drivers will then be shuttled back to the trail head in one vehicle. We will hike about 1.3 miles (1200 ft gain) up the Pacific Crest Trail where the trail meets the southwest trail that we will take for our return to Islip Saddle. Some may opt for a shortened hike (3.3 miles) and proceed down to Islip Saddle. The rest of us will continue up the ridge to the Mt. Williamson summit for a good view of the Devil's Punchbowl and the San Andreas fault system that borders the eastern side of the San Gabriel Mountains. There should be registry at the summit to record our feat for posterity.

5 miles, 1600 ft elevation gain, Classified moderate in Trails of the Angeles.

