OTP Hike for 11/10/04 Palos Verdes Trails Distance: 7.3 miles Elev. Loss/Gain: 380 feet Total Change 1100 feet

The trailhead is at Ernie Howlett Park in Palos Verdes. The park is located 1.1 miles south of Pacific Coast Highway on Hawthorne Blvd. The entrance is a relatively blind driveway on your right but there is a large sign in the median and a small one on the right as you approach the park.

The hike proceeds up a bluff that will provide a great view of southwest L.A. on a clear day. If it's not clear you can see the Torrance Airport. After a short walk through a nice residential area we reach the trail that will lead us to the beach. The last 50 feet of the trail down is quite steep. We reach the beach in about 1-½ hours where we can have lunch. It will be a little early but it's the only logical place.

After break we will hike up to the Malaga Cove Center then onto a trail that will lead us to Palos Verdes Drive North. We hike east primarily in the median until we reach Hawthorne Blvd where we turn north to Ernie Howlett Park. There are benches and rest rooms at the park.