OTP Hike for 5/16/07 Islip Saddle to Mt. Islip Distance: 6 miles

Elev. Change: 1100' Leader: Jack Robinson

## **Trailhead Directions**

Drive north on Hwy 2 (Angeles Crest) from the 210 Fwy to mileage paddle 64.10. The parking lot is on the north side opposite the closed Highway 39. There is a 'restroom' at the parking lot. (Better stop at Red Box).

## The Hike

The trail begins on the south side of the highway and zigzags up to the trees for about ¾ miles before leveling off for a mile or so to reach Little Jimmy Campground. Proceed west through the campgrounds to the marked trailhead to Mt Islip. It is a little over a mile to the summit. It is planned to relax and enjoy the scenery and lunch at the peak.

Returning from the peak we will take a right fork (about half way down), which will lead us to Windy Gap and on to Little Jimmy Spring before returning to the campground area. From the campground we return the way we came to the parking lot and refreshments. Please be sure to note where you enter and leave Little Jimmy Campground, as people have been known to miss the trailhead down. The last time we did this hike was in August 2004. Both actual fires and threat of fires have resulted in this area being off limits to hikers much of the last couple of years.

## Option Hike

The last time we did this hike, some of the more aggressive hikers went from Little Jimmy to Mt Hawkins. I don't know anything about this route but I believe it to be a good option.