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Commemorative Immigrant Trail

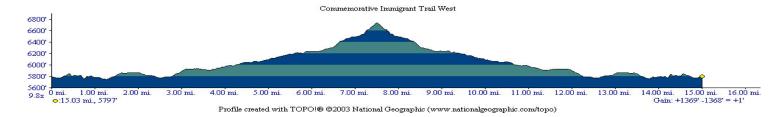
From Reno, follow Interstate 80 west to Truckee California. You will take your first Truckee exit. This is Hwy 89 north (right) towards Sierraville, California. Follow Hwy 89 north (right) for 4.5 miles where you will cross over Prosser Creek, and see Prosser Reservoir on your right. Immediately after you cross over Prosser Creek, you will see a dirt parking on your right. Park here. This trail is usually ridden out to Stampede Reservoir and back, but I have written up both the west side, and the east side (the trail actually travels north.)

Commemorative Immigrant Trail North (Blue Trail) 17 miles 1488 ft of climbing (Intermediate)



Once you are on your bike, you will see the single track start on the east side of the parking area. Follow the single track east for .6 miles where you will cross over an access road for Prosser Reservoir. Cross this road at a 45 deg. angle, and the single track will pick back up on the other side of the road and continue to head easterly. Follow the single track for .2 miles (.8 miles from the start) where it will crest the ridge and take a turn to the left, north. From here, you will cross over a couple jeep roads, but the single track is pretty easy to follow. It will climb up and down for 2.9 miles (3.7 miles) where it will crest a ridge. Here the single track gets a little steep, and a little rocky, so be careful on this downhill. From the ridge, follow the single track downhill for .8 miles (4.5 miles) where you will cross the main paved road to Stampede Reservoir. Cross over the paved road and continue north on the single track. Follow this single track for 4 miles (8.5 miles) where it will drop you out at the Stampede Boat Ramp. If you have a second car, you can shuttle from here. If not, retrace your path back to Prosser Reservoir for a total of 17 miles. If you still have energy left, you can take the west side of this single track for a little longer ride. This ride should take the intermediate rider at least 2 hours to complete.

Commemorative Immigrant Trail West (Orange Trail) 15 miles 1488 ft of climbing (Intermediate)



Because of creek crossings, this ride is not recommended for spring time riding. You cross through the creek a couple of times, and during the summer these can be pretty deep. During spring runoff these can be dangerous. From Reno, follow Interstate 80 west to Truckee California. You will take your first Truckee exit. This is Hwy 89 north (right) towards Sierraville, California. Follow Hwy 89 north (right) for 4.5 miles where you will cross over Prosser Creek, and see Prosser Reservoir on your right. Immediately after you cross over Prosser Creek, you will see a dirt parking on your right. Park here. Once on your bike, you have ride back towards Truckee. Cross over Prosser Creek on the pavement, and immediately after you cross over the bridge, the single track will pick back up on the east side of the road and parallel Hwy 89 towards Truckee. Follow this single track for 2.7 miles where it will drop you out into Alder Creek day use picnic ground. From here, cross over Hwy 89, and onto a dirt jeep road. The jeep road immediately splits, so stay strait (west) for just a couple hundred feet and you will see your single track on your left. This single track is only .1 miles (2.8 miles from the start) from Alder Creek picnic ground. The single track heads mainly south for .75 miles (3.55 miles) where it will cross Alder Creek Trail Road. This is a paved road, and a quick return if you have to get back quickly. Once you cross the road, the single track turns to the right (west) and heads up the creek. Follow the single track for .75 miles (4.3 miles) where you will cross the creek. This is a pretty deep crossing, so keep your speed up. Continue west on the single track and in .5 miles (4.8 miles) you will again cross the creek. Again, this is a deep crossing, so keep your speed up. And once again, you will cross over the creek in another .55 miles (5.35 miles). Continue west for .75 miles (6.1 miles) where you will have your last creek crossing. Follow the single track for another .35 miles (6.45 miles where you will drop onto Alder Creek Trail paved road. From here you can take the pavement back to the car, or cross over the road and continue on the single track. From here the single track will climb very rapidly. Follow the single track uphill for 1.1 miles (7.55 miles) where you will drop out onto a jeep road and run into a power line road. At this point you will be right below a power line that runs more or less north – south. Now you can retrace your path back to the car, or continue on jeep roads to the left. The area to the left is a huge equestrian riding area. There are roads that crisscross all over the place. If you want to make more of a loop you can follow the mapped red trail for a loop that will add 5.75 miles and 850 feet of climbing to your ride. If you don't want to make the whole loop, turn around and retrace your path back to the car. Be careful on the way back. You will see a couple of single track trails drop off to the left side of the down hill. These single tracks are very steep, and very loose. They will drop you into the canyon on your left, then follow the jeep road back to Alder Creek Trail Road. These options are not recommended for anyone but the advanced rider. Once you retrace your path back to the car you will have traveled 15 miles. This ride should take the intermediate rider at least 2 hours to complete.

