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Calderwood Peak and East Wing Loops (Peoria). Rating C+. This hike is 2 short lollipop hikes totaling 7 miles with an elevation gain of 1200 ft. The first part goes up to the top of Calderwood Peak with views of the Agua Fria River. The second part goes by a wash and housing development. It then goes up to the top of a short mountain (450 ft) within 1.3 miles using several switchbacks. There are 360 degree views from the peak. Trail condition - both trails are average hiking trails with short steep sections.

Restrooms are at the trailhead. No park fee. Driving distance is 60 miles RT. <u>https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CityofPeoria/Calderwood</u>-Eastwing

Directions to Peoria Trails – Calderwood Peak

Drive North on Loop 303 and take Exit 125 (Happy Valley Pkwy/Vistancia Blvd) Turn right on Happy Valley Pkwy and go to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left on Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left on Jomax Road. Turn right on 99th Ave Go .3 miles to paved area on the right. There is no parking fee. No rest rooms at the trailhead.

Directions to Peoria Trails – Calderwood TH to Eastwing TH

Go back to Jomax Road. Turn left on Jomax. Turn left on Lake Pleasant Parkway. Turn right on West Wing Parkway. Turn lefet on Jomax Road. Turn left on Pyramid Peak Drive (which changes to Sonoran Mountain Ranch) Turn left on Chalfen Road Immediately turn right on Miner Trail Immediately turn right into parking lot. Trail begins on the left about a block further up Chalfen road. There is no parking fee. There are restrooms at the trailhead.

Directions to Peoria Trails – Eastwing TH Back to PebbleCreek

Turn left out of parking lot. Immediately turn left on Miner Trail Turn left on Chalfen Road Turn right on Sonoran Mountain Ranch (which changes to Pyramid Peak Drive and then to 67th Ave) Drive to Hwy 101 and turn right, heading back to Pebble Creek.

Discovery Trail (Vistancia). Rating D/C. This is a 4-7+ mile in-and-out hike with an elevation gain of 200-400 ft. 95% of this trail is paved cement. It starts out next to the entry waterfall area and basically goes along a wash that passes through

the Vistancia community. Along the way is a "to scale" model of the Solar System with each planet proportionally further away from the "Sun" as the real planets are. The total Solar System is about a half mile long from the Sun to Pluto. There are no restrooms at the trailhead, though there is a shopping center and a grocery store next to the parking area. No park fee. Driving distance is 46 miles

RT. <u>http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CityofPeoria/Discovery</u>-Trail-Vistancia

Directions to Vistancia's Discovery Trail

Take 303 North. Turn left on Vistancia Blvd/Happy Valley Pkwy Turn right at Vistancia entrance just past the waterfalls Turn right into parking lot just before shopping area and park. Trail begins on backside of waterfalls near the entrance to the parking lot. No restrooms, but there is a grocery store on this end of the parking lot.

East Wing trail to New River Dam (Peoria). Rating C. This is a 5.6 mile hike with an elevation change of 450 feet, but elevation gain of 1070 ft. The part goes by a wash and housing development. It then goes up to the top of a short mountain (450 ft) within 1.3 miles using several switchbacks. There are 360 degree views from the peak. The trail then descends down the backside to a jeep road. The jeep road runs into the service road for the dam. The hike ends at a fence at the end of a new development. There are great views of Sunrise and West Wing mountains. Restrooms are at the trailhead. No park fee. Driving distance is 60 miles RT.

Directions to Peoria Trails – Eastwing Trail

Go East from Pebble Creek to 101 Take 101 North to 67th Ave Turn left (North) on 67th Continue on 67th for 6.9 miles (it will change names to Pyramid Peak Drive, then Sonoran Mountain Ranch) Turn left on Chalfen Road Immediately turn right on Miner Trail Immediately turn right into parking lot. Trail begins on the left about a block further up Chalfen road. There is no parking fee. There are restrooms at the trailhead.

Directions to Peoria Trails – Eastwing TH Back to PebbleCreek

Turn left out of parking lot. Immediately turn left on Miner Trail Turn left on Chalfen Road Turn right on Sonoran Mountain Ranch (which changes to Pyramid Peak Drive and then to 67th Ave) Drive to Hwy 101 and turn right, heading back to Pebble Creek.

Sunrise Mountain Trail (Peoria). Rating D+. This is a 3.5 mile double-loop hike with an elevation gain of 500 ft, going up and down two mountain peaks. There are views of the community on one side, with the front of New River Dam in the background and mountain ranges beyond that. On the South side are views across the West valley. The trail itself is well maintained with two main hills to climb. After good winter rains, there would be a wide variety of wildflowers in bloom. There is no park fee. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead. Driving distance is 56 miles RT. [SCG=4 .http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CityofPeoria/Sunrise-Mountain9/1100/2.9].

Directions to Peoria Trails – Sunrise and Westwing

Drive North on Loop 303 and take Exit 125 (Happy Valley Pkwy/Vistancia Blvd) Turn right on Happy Valley Pkwy and go to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left on Lake Pleasant Road. Turn right on West Wing Parkway. Turn right into Westwing Neighborhood Park. There is no parking fee. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

Sunrise Mountain Trail (Peoria). Rating C+. This is a 5+ mile multi-loop hike with an elevation gain of 1230 ft, going up and down three mountain peaks. There are views of the community on one side, with the front of New River Dam in the background and mountain ranges beyond that. On the South side are views across the West valley. The trail itself is well maintained with three main hills to climb. After good winter rains, there would be a wide variety of wildflowers in bloom. Trail condition – average hiking trail, but the climbs are fairly steep. There is no park fee. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead. Driving distance is 56 miles RT. [SCG=4.9/1100/2.9].

This hike can be combined with the West Wing Mountain trail for a good B hike of 9.0 miles with an elevation gain of 2200 ft. It goes up and down over 5 short peaks. <u>http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CityofPeoria/Sunrise-Mountain</u>

Directions to Peoria Trails – Sunrise and Westwing

Drive North on Loop 303 and take Exit 125 (Happy Valley Pkwy/Vistancia Blvd) Turn right on Happy Valley Pkwy and go to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left on Lake Pleasant Road. Turn right on West Wing Parkway. Turn right into Westwing Neighborhood Park. There is no parking fee. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.