



WESTERN STATES TRAIL RIDE
July 24, 2010
Michigan Bluff and new Chicken Hawk/Volcano Staging Area

Past riders of the Tevis are very familiar with the small town of Michigan Bluff, usually a welcome sight for both horse and rider after two big canyon crossings. As usual riders will find cool water and a group of smiling faces as they pass through town, but riders will not stop in Michigan Bluff for a vet check this year.

For the past several years, room to spread out and stage a vet check in Michigan Bluff has become more and more scarce – riders of past Tevis events are familiar with trot outs down the center of the main street! For this year's event, the Ride Committee has secured use of a new staging area on Chicken Hawk Road, approximately 1 ½ miles past Michigan Bluff on the trail.

For the 2010 ride, Michigan Bluff will be a water stop only, with no vet check or hold. There will be a Gate & Go at the Chicken Hawk/Volcano staging area. Please note: crews will be able to meet their rider at Michigan Bluff and will be able to walk (also spectators) into the Chicken Hawk/Volcano staging area, see signs for directions. You can take your time in Michigan Bluff to enjoy all the town has to offer, but be aware that you will need to take some time at the vet check at Chicken Hawk/Volcano.

All check point times, estimates and cut-off times, will be adjusted to accommodate this vet check change. In addition, be sure to plan your pacing and feeding schedule as you move through the canyons in anticipation of a longer trail between vet checks.

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