







DEER CREEK TRIBUTE TRAIL

Robinson Plaza: To explore the trail from downtown Nevada City, go to Robinson Plaza at the corner of Union Alley and Commercial Street, opposite the DA's office. The plaza is directly on the trail route. It's a good base for exploring the trail in either direction. Before you head out, visit the Chamber of Commerce for information about Nevada City.

Miners Foundry: If you would like to go west from town into the rural sections of this trail, start at the intersection of Bridge Street and Factory Street on the west side of the Miners Foundry building. To get there from Robinson Plaza, walk up Commercial Street, turn left on York Street, cross Broad Street, then go uphill toward the Bonanza Market and the historic Nevada Theater. Turn left into the parking lot between those two buildings and walk down the lot to Spring Street where you will be in front of the Miners Foundry. Now go down the road on the right side of the

Foundry (this is Bridge Street) to Factory Street on the right. There is a small Tribute Trail marker at this intersection (look on the telephone pole just right of the "Not A Through Street" sign on your left as you enter Factory Street.)

Champion Road: The first place west of town where you can be on the dirt trail is near the intersection of Old Downieville Highway and Champion Road. To drive there from downtown Nevada City, go up Broad Street, turn left on Bennett Street and after a couple of hundred yards bear left on Monroe Street which shortly will go downhill for about 150 yards. Old Downieville Highway begins at the foot of this hill and runs west from there. Follow Old Downieville Highway about 0.3 mile to its intersection with Champion Road (a dirt road) on your left.

There are actually two trailheads near this intersection. The most obvious is about 300' down Champion Road on your left, with a pullout area for parking on your right. There is also a trailhead along Old Downieville Highway about 300' west of the same intersection, on your left just before a mailbox that is mounted on an old metal plow. There are places to pull off Old Downieville Highway and park. The trail from this "upper" trailhead simply takes you a very short way down to the signed trailhead on Champion Road.

