

## GEOG 640 Field Work

We will be camping at the Sycamore Canyon campground, which is located in Pt. Mugu State Park, at 9000 West Pacific Coast Highway, in westernmost Malibu. Drive west on PCH past “downtown” Malibu, Pepperdine, Pt. Dume and Zuma Beach, and Leo Carrillo State Beach. Sycamore Canyon is about 5 mi. west of Leo Carrillo, about 2 mi. west of Deer Creek Canyon Rd. The campground is on the right side, opposite Sycamore Canyon Beach.

For those of you arriving Thursday (before 10 pm), the reservation is under my name and the reservation number is #2-22769029. The second campsite will also become available on Friday, under reservation number #2-22769997. You need to present the reservation number. Whoever gets there first on either day should request that the two sites be adjacent to one another (this is a first-come, first-assigned campground).



We'll be going up into La Jolla Valley, which is north and northwest of Sycamore Canyon. There are a couple of ways to hike up in there, but I think we'll drive a couple miles west and use the Chumash Trail. This entails about an 800 ft. gain in elevation in about a half-mile, but it is the shortest way to the Valley. Wear good, well broken-in, covered shoes or boots with lugs or treads and thick, soft socks and long pants (this is tick country). Be prepared for changeable weather (layers you can add and peel as needed), and bring a lot of water, more than you think you'll need (2 liters at least). Bring lunch (compact, non-messy, high energy food). A hat, sunglasses, and SPF are good ideas. There are no “facilities” up there: Bring toilet/tissue paper and airtight plastic bags (pet waste bags might beat Baggies) to schlep everything out. You'll need a clipboard and pens/pencils and a smart phone is a useful option (access the floristic key or Calflora to identify species).









**Qoa** (older, dissected Quaternary alluvium)    **Qls** (Quaternary landslide deposits)  
**Ttis** (Topanga sandstones)    **TTic** (Topanga shales)    **db** (Miocene diabase intrusives)

In the event of emergency, here is the nearest emergency-receiving hospital:

**St Johns Regional Medical Center**

1600 N. Rose Ave. (N on PCH into Oxnard, turn R onto Rose Ave., follow it nearly to the 101)  
 Oxnard, CA 93030 805-988-2500

