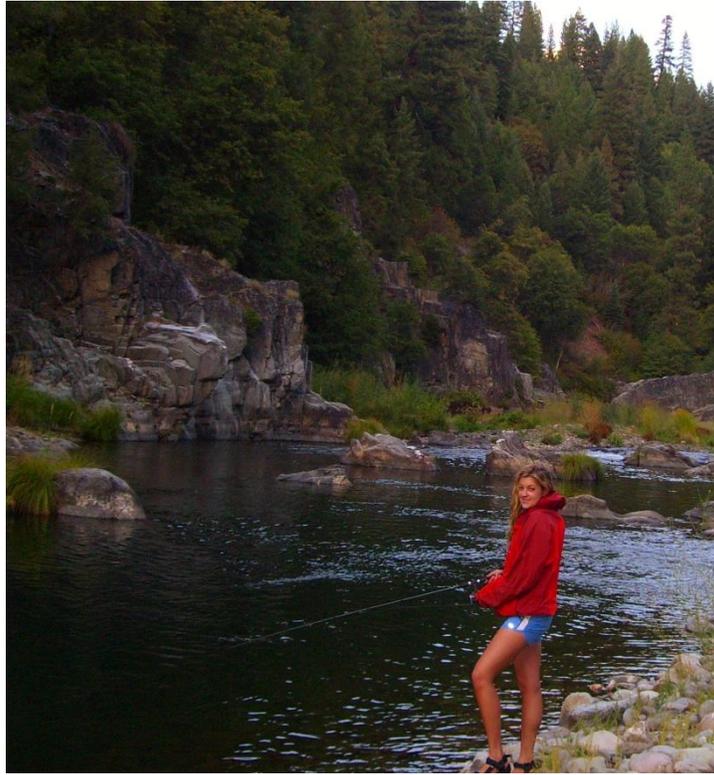


Middle Fork of the Feather River

Fishing at Nelson Point

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HISTORY:

Nelson Point is located on the Middle Fork of the Feather River which is an area rich in history. This region of the Feather River (Middle Fork) was one of the first rivers to be put on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act almost 40 years ago. La Porte Road, which is what you take to get to this location, was a road originally established by wagon trails in the time Plumas County was being settled. In the past this area was also home to gold mining.

DESCRIPTION:

This area is a perfect fishing spot located at the start of a granite canyon. Surrounded by a mixed coniferous forest, Nelson point is relaxing and enjoyable. This clear cold Trout stream is located in a section of outcropping bedrock.

DIRECTIONS:

Take Highway 70 to La Porte Road. Take La Porte Road to Red Bridge and take your second right after the bridge. You will take this dirt road until it ends, this is where you will find the trailhead to Nelson Point.

NELSON POINT FISHING ON THE MIDDLE FORK

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TIME NEEDED: You can take as long or as little time as you want. This is my favorite place to go for a quick fishing trip because of its convenient and close location to town.

*Remember the best times to fish in this area are early morning or late afternoon.

DIRECTIONS FROM ROAD: Once you have reached the trailhead, simply walk about a half mile until you see the river. There will be a trail alongside the river bank that allows you to walk along the bank fishing several holes.

SUN EXSPOSURE: There is very little sun exposure if you visit this area at ideal fishing times. However, it is never a bad idea to have sun screen and a hat if you decide to stay longer.

ELEVATION: Approximately 3,500 ft.

DIFFICULTY RATING: Very low (2)

GEAR NEEDED: A good pair of shoes, water, and all the necessary fishing gear and attire. **YOU MUST HAVE** a California fishing license which can be purchased at most convenient stores such as Rite Aide.