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## **MIDDLE FORK AMERICAN RIVER** ([PDF version of this page](#))

**MEET: BEHIND Raley's Grocery Store**, Auburn, California

**Address:** 13384 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA 95603

**Time:** 8:00 AM

We have a strict launch time. Please be on time for your trip. Late arrivals run the risk of forfeiting their reservation with no refunds.

### **DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**



**From the Bay Area/Sacramento:** Take Interstate 80 east from Sacramento. Take the Auburn-Foresthill Rd. exit and turn right. Take left on Lincoln and continue to Raley's Grocery Store. W.E.T. will meet you **behind** the parking lot of Raley's in the southern portion of the lot. Approximate driving time from the Bay Area is three hours...from Sacramento, 45 minutes.

**From Placerville to Raley's parking lot in Auburn:** approx. 55 minutes  
Take Hwy 49 (Spring Street) North from Hwy 50 to Coloma. Continue through Coloma to Pilot Hill and then through Pilot Hill to Cool. Continue through Cool to Auburn. Note: as you leave Cool you will descend into the American River Canyon. As you reach the bottom of the canyon you will cross the river via a short bridge. After crossing the bridge **TURN LEFT** (do not turn right!). You will then ascend up the north side of the canyon to Auburn. As you reach the top of the canyon you will encounter a stop light (Lincoln Way). **TURN RIGHT** on Lincoln Wy heading northeast. In approx. one mile you will reach the intersection of Foresthill Rd. and Lincoln Way. Proceed through the intersection and turn **RIGHT** into the Raley's parking lot. Continue around the parking lot to the back of Raley's where you will find a large paved parking lot. Meet in the southern portion of the lot.

**WHAT TO WEAR / WHAT TO BRING:** Please dress accordingly. Wetsuits are recommended before June 1 or according to weather. Under your wetsuit, it is advised that you wear a poly-synthetic long sleeve top such as synthetic fleece. **DO NOT WEAR ANY COTTON CLOTHING.** Wear wool or poly-synthetics on your feet with tennis shoes, cap or visor, sunglasses w/safety strap and **SUNBLOCK!**

**NOTE:** tennis shoes are mandatory. You risk forfeiting your trip with no refunds if you show up in flip flops, slides or slip on shoes.

**For summer months:** Bathing suit, shorts with tennis shoes. Sunblock, visor, sunglasses w/safety strap.

**For overnight trips** we suggest: tent, dry change of clothes for evening, towel, toiletries, flashlight, rain parka (for inclement weather), sleeping bag, ground cloth, pad and extra money for miscellaneous purchases. 30lbs limit

**Keys & Valuables:** W.E.T. is not responsible for your valuables, car keys, etc. Please provide your own method of securing your car keys. We suggest a hide-a-key placed in an uncommon location on your car or secure your key and attach it to your belt loop. (No dangling strings allowed due to safety reasons)

**MIDDLEFORK** must be between 1,000 cfs to 2500 cfs otherwise the trip is automatically moved to the South Fork American or North Fork American (based on group's abilities). Please contact our office the day before your trip for any itinerary changes. If your trip has moved to the Southfork, please see this link for the [Southfork driving instructions http://www.raftwet.com/SFADrive.html](http://www.raftwet.com/SFADrive.html).

**TIPS & Gratuities:** If you would like to tip your guide, tips of 15% - 20% is usually customary. Email us with your input regarding our guides.

**NOTE:** *No person will be allowed on the boats if they are impaired in any way by alcohol, drugs or violent behavior. No alcohol and/or drugs allowed on the rafts. No guns, radios, or pets, please.*

W.E.T. River Trips was established in **1978**. Running whitewater rivers throughout California. Permitted by United States Bureau of Land Management, United States Forest Service, California State Parks, El Dorado County & other governing agencies.

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