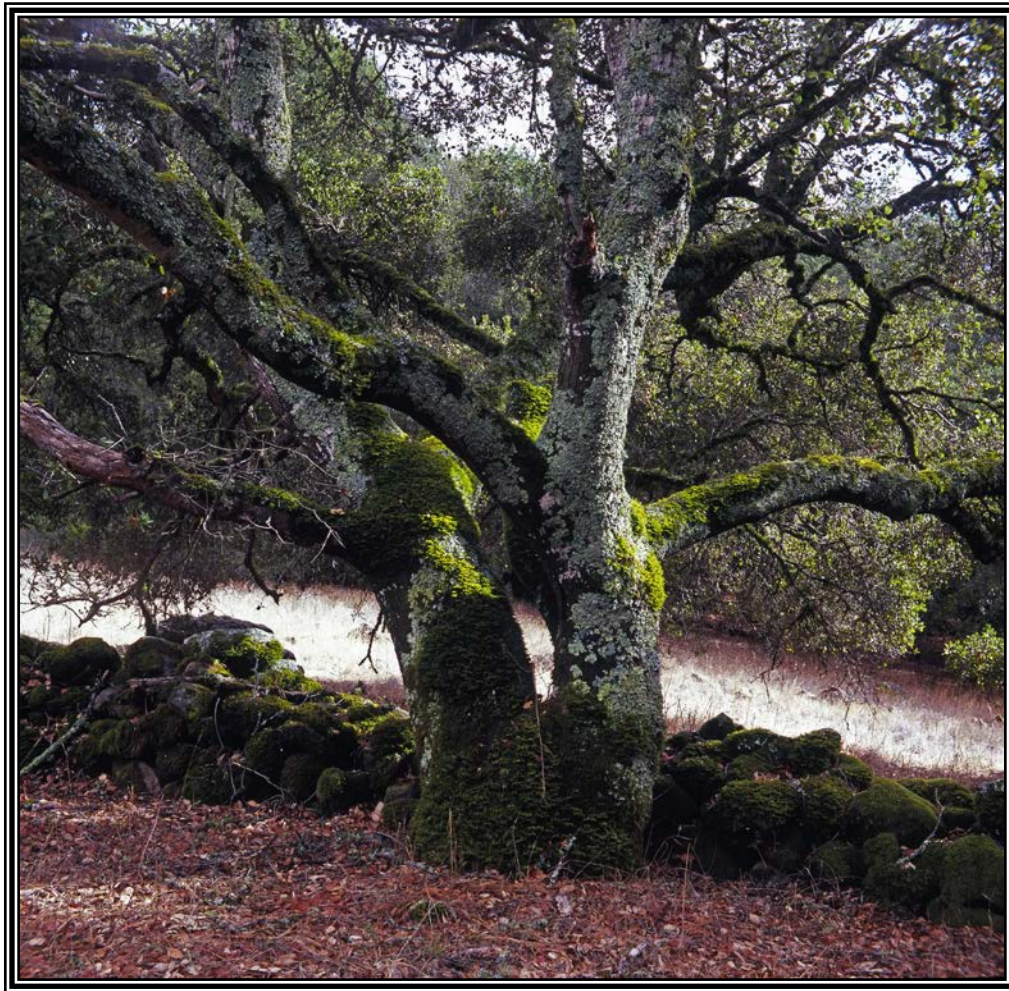


# Fairfield Osborn Preserve Naturalist Training Reader



*It is only by adjustment to the processes of nature that man, like all other living creatures, can establish a friendly balance that will make life on this planet possible for generations not yet born.*

Fairfield Osborn, Our Plundered Planet (1948)

## CONTACT LIST

### Fairfield Osborn Preserve

#### Preserve Location

6543 Lichau Road, Penngrove, 94951

Fairfield Osborn Preserve, Sonoma State University, State of California

Northwestern slope of Sonoma Mountain

### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

<b>Emergency</b> (assistance is necessary to protect life or property)	<b>9-1-1</b>  From Cell Phone:  <b>SSU Campus Police: 664-4444</b>  <b>Sheriff Dispatch Sonoma Co: 565-2121</b>
Problem (e.g., cows on the Preserve, minor property damage, suspicious activities, etc.)	FOP Offices: 795-5069 Program Coordinator: Cell: (908) 208-7834
	School Office: 664-2171
Mountain Lion Sighting	24-hr dispatch center of Fish and Game: (916) 445-0045
Medical Support	Rohnert Park Urgent Care 584-0672
Rattlesnake Bite	Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222

### Other Contact Numbers

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# **SSU Field Stations and Nature Preserves**

## **School of Science and Technology**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The SSU Field Stations & Nature Preserves provide lands, facilities, databases, and programs that inspire participation, collaboration, and innovation in education and research by students, faculty, and community members at two Preserves: Fairfield Osborn Preserve and Galbreath Wildlands Preserve. Our programs create opportunities for shared intellectual curiosity about our North Coast Preserves to lead to multi-disciplinary collaborations in the arts and sciences that generate new approaches to environmental challenges.

#### **Education Program Mission:**

The Osborn and Galbreath Preserves serve as a context for creating a learning community of researchers, educators, students and community members that cultivates attitudes, knowledge, awareness and action necessary for environmental literacy. Our goal is to develop an informed citizenry that maintains connection to the natural world and works together to create new solutions for environmental issues past, present and future.



## FIELD STATIONS & NATURE PRESERVES

School of Science and Technology

1801 East Cotati Avenue, Rohnert Park, CA 94928-3609

### Fairfield Osborn Preserve Regulations & Responsibilities

SSU Field Stations & Nature Preserves are protected natural areas for teaching and research use. Recreational use is not compatible with this purpose and is not allowed. The Preserves welcome anyone interested in engaging in educational and research activities. Access is conditional upon the compliance with Preserve rules and regulations which are designed to protect the biological integrity of the Preserve, on-going research, and the safety of visitors.

1. Before visiting a Preserve, (a) obtain an approved application from Preserve staff, (b) submit signed liability waivers for all members of your group, (c) notify Preserve staff by phoning the Preserve office (795-5069, [fairfield.osborn@sonoma.edu](mailto:fairfield.osborn@sonoma.edu)) at least 24 hours in advance of your visit (include your name, date, time, and number in your party). Forms are available at: <http://www.sonoma.edu/scitech/preserves.shtml>
2. Sign in at the Preserve kiosk on each visit.
3. Close and lock all gates behind you unless instructed by Preserve staff to do otherwise. Never leave the lock hanging open with the combination visible. Please keep the gate combination confidential.
4. Park only in the main parking lot. Parking on Lichau Road is not permitted.
5. Do not disturb or remove animals, plants, rocks, human artifacts, flags, posts or other markers without an approved application that describes the proposed activity.
6. Smoking and/or fires of any kind are not permitted.
7. Hike only on established roads and trails. The barn/cabin/landslide area is off limits.
8. Take all trash and refuse with you when you leave.
9. Domestic animals are not permitted at the Preserve, unless they are part of an approved research project or necessary to help a disabled user.
10. To prevent the further spread of Sudden Oak Death from the Preserve to other areas, follow instructions posted at the wash station in the main parking lot.
11. If you encounter someone you don't know on the Preserve, identify yourself and ask that they do the same. If they do not have an approved application, politely explain that the Preserve is closed and invite them to return for a guided hike (Saturdays at 10 AM during Fall and Spring).
12. If you encounter any situation that requires immediate attention to prevent loss of life or property (fire, criminal activity, major injury, major property damage, etc.), call SSU Campus Police at **664-4444**.

## **A Message from the Director**

I am excited to join SSU as the Director of Field Stations & Nature Preserves. University field sites create unique opportunities for learning by allowing us to merge our passion for natural places with our intellectual curiosity about the earth's processes.



The Fairfield Osborn and Galbreath Wildlands Preserves are places of remarkable natural beauty that inspire exploration. They are classrooms without walls for learners of all ages, and outdoor laboratories for investigators who uncover new and sometimes transformational discoveries. At our Preserves, we nurture learning and discovery by providing information, facilities, equipment, data, and programs for participation.

As Director, I bring with me a deep respect for the strength and power of community. Our programs engage people of all ages from all walks of life. Each person brings unique approaches and skills, and makes lasting contributions by sharing perspective and enthusiasm. We continually search for new and exciting ways to engage everyone interested in participating.

With the environmental and economic challenges facing all of us, programs providing a place to enhance personal connections with the outdoors, as well as serving as a platform for scientific investigations of the natural world, are more vital than ever.

Sincerely,

Claudia Luke

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