

# Strawberry Peak



Strawberry Peak Fire Lookout is located off Highway 18 in the San Bernardino Mountains near the communities of Twin Peaks and Rim Forest (elev. 6,135 ft.). It gets its name from a strawberry farm owned by Bart Smithson from the 1870s-80s. The 30-foot tower you see today was built in 1934 and is the second tower to be built there.

The first, constructed in 1922, was 80 feet tall and made of railings donated by the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway. It was eventually damaged by lightning and heavy snow in 1934.

Strawberry Peak tower is open to visitors Memorial Day to December. It is often open a few weeks earlier, and stays open for the remaining fire season, if volunteers are available.



## Directions to Strawberry Peak Lookout

From Woman’s Club of Escondido, 751 N. Rose St, Escondido

**\*Additional navigation aide: set the car’s mapping destination for 1087 Strawberry Lookout Road, Twin Peaks, CA**

Odometer	Directions
0	Exit left out of the driveway onto Rose St, go 2 traffic lights to Lincoln Ave.
0.3	Turn left onto Lincoln Ave, go west for 2.2miles. (Lincoln turns into Hwy 78)
2.5	Take the ramp to Interstate 15 North. Continue north for 30 miles
32.8	Just north of Temecula, veer right to Interstate 215 North. Go about 40 miles
72.4	Take Exit 40A to Interstate 10 East. Go about 5 miles
77.7	Take Exit 77B to Hwy 210 North toward Highland for about 5 miles
82.2	Take Exit 81 to Hwy 330 toward Big Bear, for about 16.2 miles
98.4	In Running Springs, follow signs to Hwy 18 toward Lake Arrowhead.
105.6	In 7.2 miles, turn right on Bear Springs Road. Follow Bear Springs Rd. two miles, which is paved all the way to the tower.

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