

FORMAT ROMEO 7 - SMOKE LOOKOUT LOCATIONS

Draft is still in process - changes will be made. For Field Observations.

POST FOLLOWING TO YOUR AREA MAPS (all degrees are True North).

LOOKOUT / TACTICAL / LOCATION	VIEW RANGES ARE IN DEGREES - TRUE NORTH. MOST LOCATIONS HAVE BLIND SPOTS!!!
<p>1. "Ritts Mill Lookout" (highway 44 mileage marker 36.3 (DERIVED MILEAGE MARKER). Near oak tree).</p>	<p>NOTE: POINTS 1, 1A, AND 1B (TOGETHER) ALMOST COVER A 180 DEGREE LOOKOUT VIEW to the North. view range (somewhat limited – tree lines): -from 278 +/- degrees (to Shasta Bally) -to 44+/- degrees (to slightly east of Latour Butte) NORTH SIDE OF HWY 44. BE CAREFUL OF TRAFFIC.</p>
<p>1A. "Airport Road Lookout" From Hwy 44 go about .3 miles North (past Church) – just before road turns right (rocks on left of cattle gate.)</p>	<p>view range; - 61 degrees +/- Northern most angle (goes into tree line) (this is to left of brown house) - 61 to 94 degrees +/- open area – good view - 73 degrees +/- ? (top visible only) - 94.5 degrees +/- Mt. Lassen (top visible only)</p>
<p>1B. "Airport Runway Lookout" Must go through gate to end area of runway.</p>	<p>View range: (narrow – but long distance) - 27 degrees +/- Northern most angle (goes into tree line) - 35 degrees +/- ?McMullen Mtn?? - 40.5 degrees +/- Latour Butte (top view only)</p>
<p>2. "Wilson Lookout" (.2 miles west of address 6455 Wilson Hill Rd.).</p>	<p>view range: from 123 +/- degrees to 233 +/- (but blind areas) - open +/- degrees Landing Strip (Distance approx 1.9 miles) to 233 +/- degrees View comments: good southern view –but blind spots -e.g., can't see horse sanctuary (to south west) area because too close in towards lookout – see Wilson Short Lookout as potential alternative (or combine both locations for observations).</p>
<p>2A. "Wilson SHORT Lookout" further down Wilson Hill Road (past sharp turn) and just before the "15 MPH" sign, and the cement colvert on East side of road. This will be less than .10 mile (approx) North of SHORT HILL RD.</p>	<p>Limited View – but can see Wild Horse Sanctuary through gap in brush (i.e. it is closer to hill). Note: From here could SEE AND SMELL the fire (7/2016) at Wild Horse Sanctuary – when couldn't see or smell it at the "WILSON LOOKOUT" . VIEWS: -204 degrees +/- Inskip Hill (see - large double power lines on East Side of Inskip Hill) -218 degrees +/- TUSCAN BUTTES (with Radio Towers and 3 Vertical Red lights at night (on East side). (which is NE of Red Bluff) - 224 degrees +/- SOAP BUTTE (small hill – closer to you) -228 DEGREES +/- Wild Horse Sanctuary (barn) (Distance approx 1.6 Miles)</p>
<p>3. "Wildcat lookout" - on Wildcat Rd. at creek / bridge just east of Ash Creek Rd. CAUTION: BE 15 FEET FROM BRIDGE. COMPASS BEARING WILL BE ALTERED DUE TO MAGNETIC FIELD ON BRIDGE.</p>	<p>view range: -from: wider than below -to : wider than below 64 degrees +/- Latour Butte ?? degrees +/- Chaos Craigs (NOT VISIBLE – IT'S BELOW RIDGE) 87 degrees +/- Mt. Lassen 96 degrees +/- Black Butte View Comments:</p>

<p>4. “Dersch Lookout” 1 mile West of Leopard on Dersch. Address (across street on North side is 23714 Dersch. Bearings taken on SOUTH side of Dersch between Road and Oak Tree). Location is just east of Franciscan.</p>	<p>view range: good -from: wider than below -to : wider than below 52. degrees +/- Burney Mtn. (bearing per map – to confirm ground) 69.5 degrees +/- Latour Butte 84.5 degrees +/- Chaos Craigs (middle peak – can see top only) (this bearing runs just south of Shasta Forest near mile marker 26) 88. degrees +/- Mt. Lassen ?? Degrees +/- Broke Off (can see all of BrokeOff – high up) 100. degrees +/- Black Butte View Comments:</p>
<p>5. “Millville 44 Lookout” Highway 44 and Millville Plains Rd. (large gravel area on south side of Hwy 44).</p>	<p>view range: (good view of ridge). 58. Degrees +/- Burney Mtn (per map. To confirm ground) 79.5 degrees +/- Latour Butte 92. degrees +/- Chaos Craigs (middle peak) 95. degrees +/- Mt. Lassen 101. degrees +/- to Brokeoff Mtn. (bearing goes directly through Shasta Forest Village) (Area of Hwy 44 between power lines and Shasta Forest Village is Orange on Map as seen from Millville 44 lookout) 122. degrees +/- Black Butte (partial view) 280. degrees +/- Shasta Bally Comments: very good view of Western slope of Ridge (Shasta Forest) and NORTH AND SOUTH thereof for long distance. Probably not able to see area on Eastern side of Ridge (because below top of ridge). Shasta Forest Village is about 2 miles east of power lines along bearing and is below top of ridge line and above power lines Note: As to area EAST OF Ridge, and extending easterward towards Mt. Lassen, and Brokeoff Mtn., less ground area is visible THAN from “44 marker 8.8 lookout”.</p>
<p>6. “Palo Cedro Lookout” West of Hwy 44 and Deschutes – specifically: approximately 35 Yards West of Palo Cedro sign (on SOUTH side of hwy 44 on East bound lane) showing Population and Elevation – where white road line curves from side of road into traffic lane. BE VERY CAREFUL OF TRAFFIC!</p>	<p>view range: (good view of ridge) ?? . Degrees +/- Burney Mtn 88. degrees +/- Latour Butte 97.5 degrees +/- Chaos Craigs (middle peak) 103. degrees +/- Mt. Lassen 107. degrees +/- to Brokeoff Mtn -- degrees +/- Black Butt (Not visible - trees blocking) Note: As to area EAST OF Ridge, and extending eastward towards Mt. Lassen, and Brokeoff Mtn., More ground area is visible THAN from “Millville 44 Lookout”.</p>
<p>7. “44 marker 8.8 lookout”. Just West of that mile marker.</p>	<p>Need bearings. open View comments: good view Can see more foreground in front of Lassen and Brokeoff than “Millville 44 lookout”</p>
<p>8. “32n17 lookout”</p>	<p>view range – limited to bearings below: Rptr 760 Full Quieting -from 126 degrees +/- (Mt. Lassen (plus more view to East) -to 196 degrees +/- (this is farthest West view) View Comments: can’t see viola or west from there due to tree level. Has good view of land area in field of view when standing on tail gate about 2 feet above ground..</p>
<p>9. “ Deer Flat Lookout” - limited view but may cover other areas "blind" I will get bearings.</p>	<p>view range: open -from -to View Comments:</p>

<p>● 10. " Broadview lookout" (the culdasc off of Black Butte)</p>	<p>view range: -from 258+/- degrees (to view of Anderson) -to 37 +/-degrees (to east of Whitmore) View Comments: Not good for Shingletown Ridge Area</p>
<p>● 11. "Mccomber Dam lookout"</p>	<p>view range: Not very good. Very limited. -from 2. Degrees +/- -to 41. Degrees +/- View Comments: Basically a view of base of Latour Butte.</p>

Recommendations – DRAFT – IN PROCESS.

1. **park in safe location off of road. When driving follow all traffic laws and drive safely!**

2. **do NOT park over any grass or anything which could ignite a fire.**

3. For Field Team Dispatch (with Net Control):

50 Watt Radio with Mag Mount Antenna

Have a dedicated radio for each frequency – recommend against dual watch

HT for each team member

WILL **USE FORMAT MIKE 6 – LEVEL 3**

[FOR FIELD TEAM DISPATCH WITH NET CONTROL]

-FIELD TEAM NET CONTROL – TACTICAL = "FIELD [2]" , ETC...

-Vehicles - Tactical = "TRUCK 1" " TRUCK 3", ETC...

- [USE CHANNEL ID ONLY ON AIR – DO NOT STATE FREQUENCIES]

Report mileage start odometer reading from starting point, and at each location, so that Net Control can post each mobile smoke search location on map.

4. Recommendations and recommended Items:

Two (2) or three (3) persons in vehicle

Full tank of gas

Compass,

flashlight,

binoculars,

cell phone,

Mobile - use magmount,

first aid kit,

fire extinguisher,

shovel ,

sign on each vehicle,

water and snack to eat, etc....

5. If at night you usually can “normally” see lights from a city, building, etc... in the Distance, but “now” you can’t, consider whether smoke from a fire is blocking the light (per W6RKK).

6. As to the **Distant Lookout Locations** (e.g., “**Millville 44 Lookout**”), they might be used where a station operator is already traveling near such location and would merely go to the Lookout along his route to provide a report to the Smoke Report Net.

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