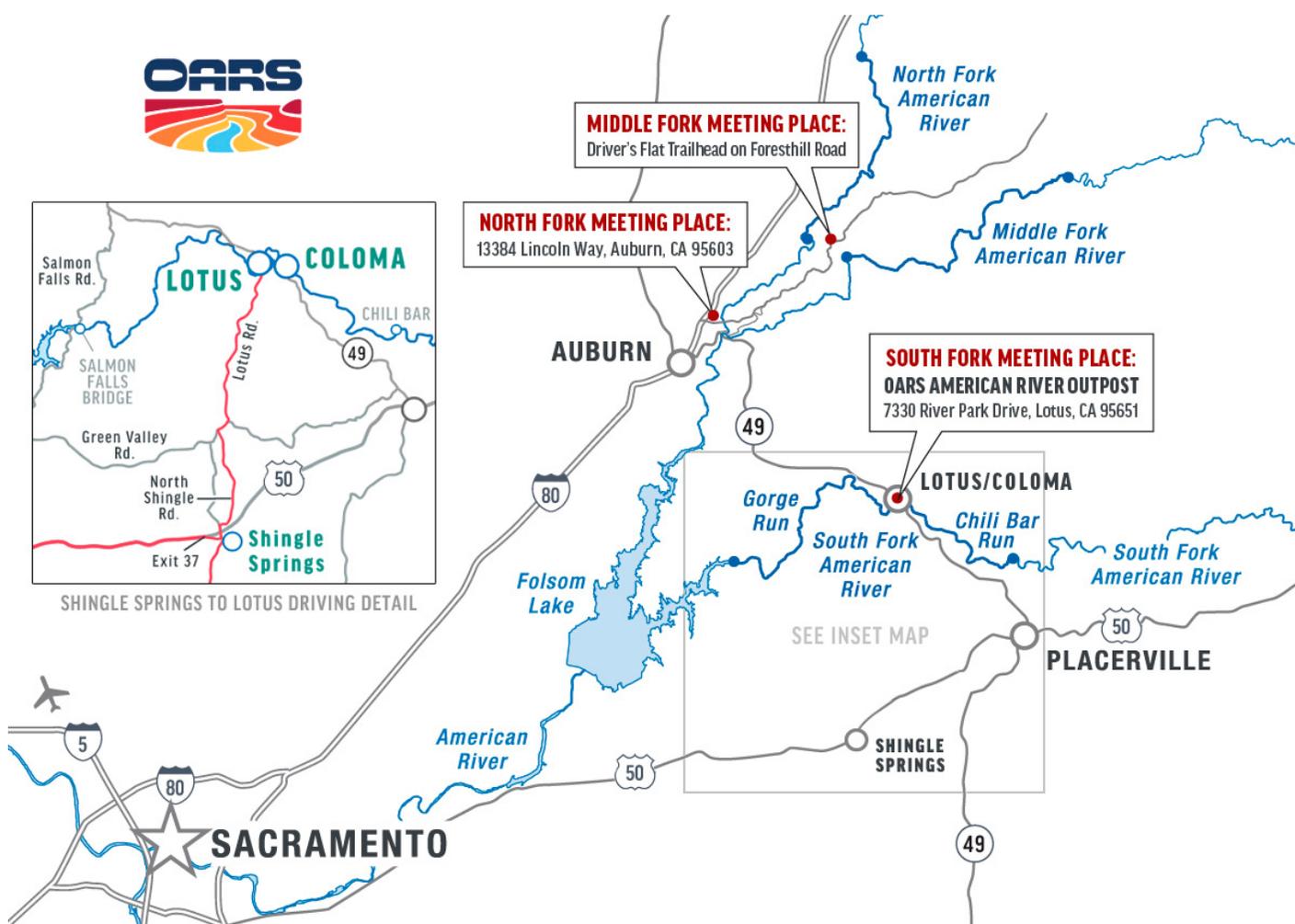


Driving directions to OARS American River Trips



South Fork American River Trips

Meet at OARS American River Outpost,
7330 River Park Drive, Lotus, CA 95651

From Sacramento on U.S. Hwy 50:

Follow Hwy 50 east toward Placerville and South Lake Tahoe. Take the Ponderosa Road exit (Exit #37), turn left onto Ponderosa/S. Shingle Road and cross over the freeway. At the second stop light, take the right turn on N. Shingle Rd toward Coloma/Lotus. After about 4.5 miles N. Shingle Road turns into Lotus Road—continue going straight for about 6 more miles.

As you approach Lotus, pass through the town's first stop sign and continue to the 3-way stop sign intersection with Hwy 49. Turn left onto Hwy 49 (north) and cross the bridge over the South Fork of the American. Immediately after crossing the river, you will see the "River Park" shopping center on the left, with signs for Hotshot Imaging.

Please use the center's second entrance, where a left-turn lane is provided at River Park Drive. Look to the back of the center, where you will see the entrance to our American River Outpost.

From South Lake Tahoe:

Take Hwy 50 west to Placerville. Turn right on Hwy 49 (north) and follow the directions from Placerville listed below.

From Placerville:

Proceed north on winding Hwy 49 for about 9.5 miles (about 20–25 minutes) through the town of Coloma. Just past Coloma and the Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, cross the bridge over the South Fork of the American. Right after crossing the river, you will see the "River Park" shopping center on the left, with signs for Hotshot Imaging.

Please use the center's second entrance, where a left-turn lane is provided at River Park Drive. Look to the back of the center, where you will see the entrance to our campground.

From Reno/North Lake Tahoe:

Take Interstate 80 west to Auburn. Take Hwy 49 south from Auburn for about 17 miles (about 30 minutes), arriving in the Coloma/Lotus area. After passing through Lotus' 3-way stop sign (intersection with Marshall Grade Road), continue past the gas station and look for us behind the "River Park" shopping center on the right. Before Hotshot Imaging's building, turn right onto River Park Drive and look for the entrance to our campground in the back of the retail center.

Middle Fork American River Trips

Meet at the Driver's Flat Trailhead on Foresthill Road between Auburn and Foresthill, CA

From Sacramento via I-80:

Follow Interstate 80 East toward Reno. About 2 miles east of Auburn, take the Auburn Ravine/Foresthill Road exit (#121). Turn right, or east, onto Foresthill Road, continuing on for 8 miles. You'll know you're headed in the right direction when you cross over the impressive Foresthill Bridge.

After 8 miles, you will see a sign that says Driver's Flat Road—DO NOT DRIVE DOWN THIS ROAD. The paved turn-out is immediately past the sign for Driver's Flat Road, on the left-hand (or north) side of Foresthill Rd. An OARS representative will be waiting with an OARS van at 8:00 AM. (If you arrive at the meeting place before our vans arrive, please hold off on paying the parking fee. We will have parking passes for you when we arrive.) Please be prompt, have your gear ready, and be dressed for the river. Lock up your valuables, give your car key to the Trip Leader and get ready to have a blast!

From Reno/North Lake Tahoe:

Take Interstate 80 West toward Sacramento. As you approach Auburn, exit at Auburn Ravine/Foresthill Road (exit #121). Cross over the freeway after turning onto Foresthill Road, and follow the above directions.

North Fork American River Trips

Meet behind Raley's Supermarket,
13384 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA 95603

From Sacramento:

Take Interstate 80 East towards Reno. About 2 miles east of Auburn, take the Auburn Ravine/Foresthill Road exit (#121). Turn right onto Forest Hill Road, and almost immediately left onto Lincoln Way. Raley's is on the right-hand side after you turn onto Lincoln Way (northeast corner of Lincoln and Forest Hill). Continue on into the rear of the parking area, behind Raley's, where you will see an OARS representative. Please be prompt, have all your gear ready, and be dressed for the river!

From Reno/North Lake Tahoe:

Head west toward Sacramento, and look for Exit #121 off of Interstate 80. Take a left onto Auburn Ravine/Foresthill Rd and cross over the freeway. Almost immediately, turn left onto Lincoln Way, and follow the directions above to find us behind Raley's Supermarket.