## About the forest

The forested lands of Pacific Union College were once the winter camp of the Wappo tribe of California Indians, who

enjoyed a bountiful supply of acorns. In 1843 the land became part of a Mexican land grant to George Yount. After the Mexican-American war, settlers used the redwoods to build homes and make grape stakes for vineyards.



Lumber was the primary industry on Howell Mountain until Edwin Angwin built his resort hotel in 1883. PUC purchased Angwin's resort in 1909. Since then, the forest has supported the mission of the college by providing lumber for classroom buildings and residence halls, firewood for heat, and recreation in the "back 40." In the 1950s, the biology faculty began to enrich student learning by studying native trees, shrubs, and wildlife.



Today the PUC Demonstration and Experimental Forest is protected by a conservation easement in partnership with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire) and the Land Trust

of Napa County. As such, it will always remain forest and provide learning opportunities for PUC students as well as 35 miles of recreational trails-for mountain biking, hiking, horseback riding-for students, college employees, and community members. Home to a nesting pair of Northern Spotted Owls, the rare Napa False Indigo, and some of the easternmost Coastal Redwood trees, the rich biodiversity

of the PUC forest makes is especially valuable to conservationists and researchers. Our forest truly sets PUC apart and makes Angwin a unique and special place to live, learn, and grow.















Questions for the Napa Open Spaces District? Contact info@napaoutdoors.com

# **Pacific Union College Forest** Use Rules

Use of Pacific Union College (PUC) property by the public is by permission of PUC, and based on observation of these rules. Blatant or willful disregard of the forest use rules will lead to loss of permission to use this property, and possible legal recourse.

PUC does not assume liability for public use of its property. Use trails at your own risk (Statute 714 of California Civil Code).

### **Use Hours:** Open from dawn to dusk

- Stay on the trails at all times Do not block gates or
- · Clean up after yourself. Leave no trace of your experience on the land
- Equestrians and bicyclists are to wear helmets at all times
- · Leave markers, flagging, and wildlife cameras intact for ongoing forestry operations and research studies
- roadways to service/ emergency vehicle access
- · Respect road/trail closures
- · Organized groups or commercial activities are not permitted on the property without permission. Please contact the PUC Forest Manager for approval

### The following are not permitted in the PUC Forest:

- · Campfires, fireworks, or any other possible sources of fire ignition
- · Firearms, projectile weapons, and hunting
- · Any motorized vehicle use (electric "pedal assist" bicycles OK)
- · Construction and alteration of trails
- · Construction or placement · Littering of any kind of structures

- · Alteration of the land of any kind
- · Collection or removal of natural products of any kind. Take only memories
- · Overnight camping
- · Smoking of any kind (tobacco, marijuana, or vaping), alcohol consumption, or drug use

### **Animal Guidelines**

Dogs: Must be leashed or otherwise restrained, and kept under direct physical control by their owner or handler at all times, and must meet all licensing and vaccination requirements.

**Horses:** Horses are to step off the trail to relieve themselves where possible. or owners are to kick droppings off the trail. Horses are not allowed on single track trails.

On a case-by-case basis, PUC reserves the right to grant exceptions when warranted or duly requested. For more information, contact PUC Forest Management: Forestry@puc.edu. Proof of exemption must be carried on person at all times when using the PUC Forest.

In case of emergency, call 911. For non-emergent issues, call PUC's Public Safety: (707) 965-6551.

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