## 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MOONLIGHT WALK ON ANZA TRAIL, APRIL 15, 2022

The Waxing Gibbous moon will rise at 6:46pm with 98% illumination on April 15, 2022. The sun sets at 7:41pm, creating the 'Golden Hour' of twilight time. This is the most family-friendly time frame for an evening walk on Anza Trail this Spring. R.E.A.C.H. San Benito Parks Foundation will partner with BenitoLink and Twin Oaks Volunteers to make our San Benito County community and guests welcome and guided in this unique adventure. COVID mindfulness advised.

Parking Attendants will be stationed at Old Stage Road entry point to guide cars. Arrivals are expected between 5:30 and 6:30pm to register at the Trailhead gate.

Upon registering, folks may begin their one to two-mile journey to various viewing points along the Anza Trail. We have reached out to the Night Sky folks who have found astronomers and storytellers to talk about the moon phases and Trail history at the best viewing spots. Please bring water; infants in backpacks; warm jacket; dogs on leash, and if you need light, please bring flashlights with red filters only. Red lights will not interfere with the night sky. In the event of rain, we will cancel, but if there is just a threat of rain, we will not cancel. The moonrise and sunset have proven to be totally wonderful between clouds!

For those 1<sup>st</sup> time participants, you may want to know that the first mile is a bit of a challenge but few have ever turned back. It's important to wear sensible shoes on the Trail and take it slow. Given time constraints, the limit of this walk is to the 2-mile marker; all participants must be accounted for before we leave. Volunteers will be posted along the way to give assistance and information. Our local First Responders have been invited to come along to observe our safety procedures and give advice. The event is free, while donations and gratuities are used for much appreciated Anza Trail improvements and maintenance.

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