



Mount Umunhum - Native American Veteran's Healing Ceremony – Open to All Veterans
August 25th, 2018, 11:00am – 3:00pm

Sponsored by: Amah Mutsun Tribal Band, Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley, and Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Mount Umunhum, Mt. Um, is a Sacred Mountain to the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band. Because it was the highest peak in the Santa Cruz Mountains it was a place their ancestors went to pray as they were closer to Creator while there. Mt. Um, managed by the Midpeninsula Open Space District, recently became open to the public and the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band was granted a Cultural Easement on Mt. Um. It is the goal of the Amah Mutsun to return ceremony to the mountain.

This Healing Ceremony is being offered for all Veterans, Native American and non-Native American. The ceremony will include Amah Mutsun Tribal Band's singers and dancers, intertribal drummers from the Bay Area, and a Wiping of the Tears ceremony.

Directions: Take CA 85 to Camden Avenue and turn west onto Camden Avenue, turn right at Hicks Road and then travel 6.3 miles to Mt. Umunhum Road. Stay on Mt. Umunhum Road to the Summit.

Weather: If weather is bad the mountain will be closed and therefore the ceremony will be cancelled.

Parking: Parking is very limited at the summit. We highly recommend carpooling. If summit parking lot is full, you can park at the Bald Mountain parking lot and walk/hike to the summit.

It is recommended that you bring a water, hat, sunscreen, sunglasses and a camping/ lawn chair for your comfort.

Should you have questions please contact Chairman Lopez - (916) 743-5833.

Although Mt. Um will be open to the public, the Spiritual Circle where the Ceremony is to be held will be closed to non Veterans.

