## **TOUR #1524- Conservation of Endangered Species at the Zoo**

**TOUR DATE:** November 2, 2024

**TOUR TIME:** 3:00 – 4:30 pm

**DESCRIPTION: NEW:** NEW THIS YEAR! Anyone who is interested in knowing more about how modern zoos contribute to conservation of endangered species and rehabilitation of injured wildlife will find this tour fascinating. Join us at Hutchins Street Square for festival activities and cap off your day with a guided tour of the zoo. *This is a perfect follow up to the Wild Things presentations held at Hutchins Street Square at 10:30 and 1:30.* Children of all ages will enjoy a leisurely stroll around Micke Grove Zoo, which is part of a large regional park. This small zoo provides an intimate setting with numerous species found in Madagascar as well as examples of local wildlife. This special behind the scenes adventure is led by zoo staff, who will share information about how they care for the animals. Participants will learn how zoos interact with each other to promote conservation of endangered species through preservation of gene diversity. Mike Grove Park is a haven for local migratory bird species, so avid birders will want to so some birding in their natural habitat after the tour.

**DIRECTIONS:** Drive south of Hutchins Street Square on Hutchins Street to Armstrong Road. Turn left and drive to Micke Grove Road. Turn right and enter the park

**INSTRUCTIONS**: Please arrive a few minutes early for the tour to check-in. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes. You will walk and stand for extended periods of time.

**DRIVE TIME:** The drive time from Hutchins Street Square in Lodi, California to this tour is approximately 11 minutes.

**LANDS PASS:** No Lands Pass is required for this tour

**TRANSPORTATION:** You will drive your personal vehicle

**CHECK-IN:** Stop at the entrance station and pay for the park entrance fee. Proceed to the Zoo and park near the entrance. Meet your guide at the main gate. Plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the tour to allow for the time it takes to drive to the parking area.

**NOTE:** There is no festival fee, but the tour is restricted to those who have registered through this website. There is a \$6.00 fee to enter the park. Adults will pay \$5.00 each for zoo entrance. Children will pay \$3.00 each.