TOUR #1725 - Cranes Foraging #2 - November 8, 2025

TOUR DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

TOUR TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

DESCRIPTION: Want to escape the classroom? Then this tour is for you. Dr. Gary Ivey will take you out to the fields where you can learn first-hand about the foraging and behavioral habits of Sandhill Cranes. The Delta has a variety of food sources available, including corn, rice, alfalfa, native plants, insects, and small critters. Dr. Ivey will share his wealth of knowledge about what brings thousands of cranes to this region and how they go about their business during daytime hours. Sandhill Cranes don't stay in one place, so you will travel together to several locations. This is a unique opportunity to have your questions answered in a small group setting by the preeminent crane expert in our valley.

DIRECTIONS: From the North on Interstate 5, exit on Peltier Road and drive South on the frontage road two miles to Woodbridge Road. From the South on Interstate 5, exit on Turner Road and drive North on the frontage road one mile to Woodbridge Road. This tour begins in the dark at the Woodbridge Ecological Reserve SOUTH UNIT parking lot, located 2 miles West of Interstate 5 on Woodbridge Road. Watch for the sign on your right. Be sure to allow extra time to arrive, as there may be morning rain or fog.

INSTRUCTIONS: Cameras and binoculars are advised, and a spotting scope may be useful.

DRIVE TIME: Drive time from Hutchins Street Square in Lodi, California to this tour is approximately 20 minutes. The most direct route to Interstate 5 from Hutchins Street Square is on E. Kettleman Lane (Highway 12).

LANDS PASS: A Lands Pass or hunting or fishing license is required for this tour. Click <u>here</u> for more information about how to purchase a Lands Pass. You will be required to show your pass or license.

TRANSPORTATION: You will drive your own personal vehicle.

CHECK-IN: Check in with Dr. Ivey at the Woodbridge Ecological Reserve SOUTH parking lot near the restrooms by 9:45 a.m.