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Moraga Mountain Lion Sighting



Photo Bradley Bostick

Bradley Bostick spotted this mountain lion Feb. 2 on the ridge above Alta Mesa Road. "When I first came upon the mountain lion he was about 50 yards away sitting on the trail. It was about 2:30 in the afternoon. If you are facing Saint Mary's College, the area is behind the college and about a half mile west. It was at the top of Alta Mesa, just past the reservoir and electronic station," he said. "When he saw me, the big cat got up and starting heading down the hill toward a residential area, then eventually turned around and headed back and away from where I was, in the direction of Bollinger Canyon." Bostick reported the incident to Moraga Police Officer Will Davis and sent him photos. "I also have some video. He said it was the first sighting that had been photographed in several years," Bostick said. Officer Davis told Bostick that about two years ago, a mountain lion was spotted on the hill behind 7-11 off of Moraga Road. "Even though I knew there was danger, I didn't feel threatened and the mountain lion did not exhibit any aggressive behavior," Bostick said. "I walked calmly away but kept my eye on him probably for a good two minutes." J. Wake

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