

Hackensack RIVERKEEPER® Eco-Walks

DIRECTIONS TO STATE LINE LOOKOUT VIA THE PALISADES INTERSTATE PARKWAY (PIP)

State Line Lookout is on top of the Palisades overlooking the Hudson River, about 1 mile south of the New York–New Jersey state line in Alpine, NJ. It has its own exit from the northbound PIP about two miles north of Exit 2 and immediately opposite the southbound-only Exit 3.

A. From New Jersey via Routes 4, 46, I-80 or I-95:

Take the exit for Fort Lee / Palisades Interstate Parkway (PIP) – Exit 72 from I-95 / after the last toll on the New Jersey Turnpike the next-to-last exit BEFORE the George Washington Bridge;

Turn LEFT at the light at the top of the ramp and go through several traffic lights in succession;

Merge right onto the northbound PIP;

Travel the PIP to the well-marked exit for State Line Lookout about 2 miles north of Exit 2. The follow the directions (**) below

B. From Rockland County and the New York Thruway:

From the New York State Thruway (I-87/287), take Exit 13S for the Southbound PIP.

Stay in the left lane after passing Exit 3 and take the U-turn (well marked).

USE CAUTION, as you will need to get into the right lane *immediately* to exit for State Line Lookout. The follow the directions (**) below.

C. From New York City and the George Washington Bridge:

Take the *upper level* of the George Washington Bridge to the first exit (PIP Northbound).

Travel the PIP to the well-marked exit for State Line Lookout about 2 miles north of Exit 2.

**Once off the PIP, follow the Park road for about ½ mile to the parking lot near the snack bar & restrooms. Look for me and check in when you arrive (tan Riverkeeper hat, mustache & goatee, Blues Brothers-type sunglasses); I'll be there from 9:30 AM on.

Our group will be joining the Park's official hawk counters on site. Lost? Late? If so, PLEASE CALL my cellphone at 201-403-1992.

HAWK WATCH TIPS

- 1. Rain Cancels.** Hawks do not fly in the rain. I will contact you if need be.
- 2. “Civilized Birding”.** Hawk-watching is a sedentary activity so feel free to bring a lawn chair along for your comfort.
- 3. Sunscreen.** It may be fall but we'll be doing a lot of looking up so bring the good stuff.
- 4. BRING BINOCULARS.** Believe it or not, some folks think they won't need them. The fact of the matter is that they're a must.
- 5. Hawks are wild animals.** We may see 25, we may see 250, and we may even see 2,500 or more. It all depends on the wind, weather and whatever else makes the birds do what they do.