

Tamarack Boulders

Number of problems: **35 total/ 20 listed**

Time of Day: **Sun/Shade Mix**

Difficulty: **VB-V6/7**

Coming from the west, these roadside boulders are the first you come to on CA-120. Most are found on Tamarack Flat Road and are only worth a stop if you just can't wait any longer, you're camping at the secluded Tamarack Flat Campground or it's raining or snowing up in the Tuolumne Meadows area. Not that there aren't a fair amount of problems here, but compared to how many are just 45 minutes away to the east around the Meadows it is just a pit stop.

The rocks are also not as knobby as the Meadows, having more edges, buckets, cracks, and arêtes. There are also a few good problems in the campground at the bottom of the road and potential for more all over the Tamarack area.

Driving directions

About four miles east of Crane Flat. About 55 miles west of Lee Vining/CA-395 (about 35 miles west of the Tuolumne Meadows Store) on Tioga Pass Rd./CA-120 near Tamarack Flat. Follow separate directions to the individual areas:

TAMARACK ROAD BOULDERS

Tamarack Road Boulders

3.8 miles east of Crane Flat and about 54.5 miles west of Lee Vining/CA395 on Tioga Pass Rd./CA-120 turn onto Tamarack Flat Rd. and drive downhill toward the campground for 0.2 miles and park on the left next to the main boulders or on



Marcos Nunez flashes Tamarack Dyno (V2).

the right at 0.3 miles from Tioga Pass Rd./CA-120. Parking GPS 37.76200, -119.77066

Approach

No approach. The boulders are alongside the road or within a stone's throw.

Number of problems by difficulty

VB	V0	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	V8	V9	V10	≥V11
1	3	6	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0



North Boulders

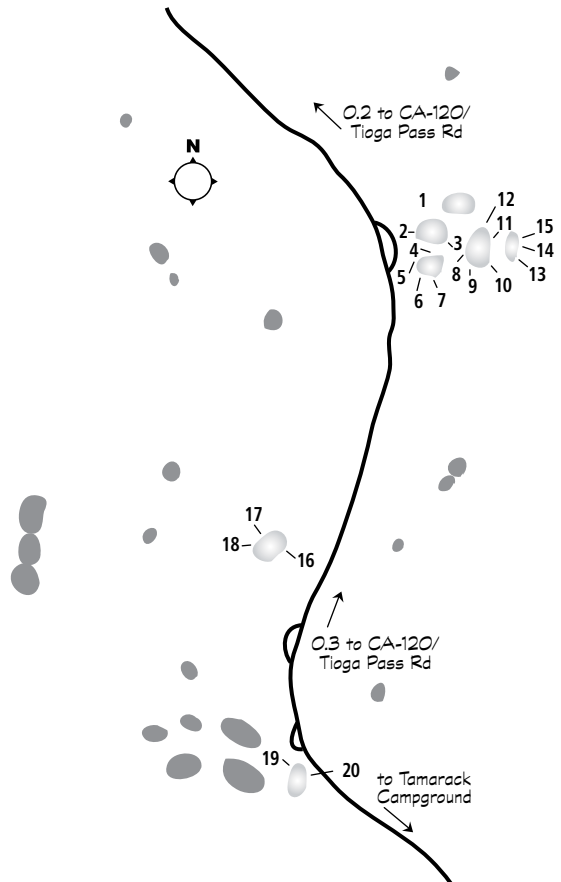
- 1. V2/3★★ Short crack.
- 2. VB★★ Left side of slab with jug crack ledges or VB Jug arête on right side of slab.
- 3. V1★★ Bulge face..

South Boulder

- 4. V1★★ Flake to slab top.
- 5. V0★★★★ Slab to hueco top – easy way to up/downclimb.
- 6. V1/2★★ Left-hand undercling start to slope jug to top.
- 7. V2/3★★ Right-hand undercling, go up left past slope jug to top.

Dyno Boulder

- 8. V1★★ Stand start on diagonal crimper edges go up over short bulge.
- 9. V? Steep slashed bulge/face.
- 10. V2/3★★ Stand start in dirty scoop go over short bulge left of “Tamarack Dyno.”



☐ **11. Tamarack Dyno V2★★★** Stand start dyno from big jug to little jug – V3 Sit start.

11a. V4 Low right start same as (V6/7) right arête low start.

☐ **12. V6/7★★★** Low start overhanging right arête – V5 Stand start.

Green Face

☐ **13. V0★★** Diagonal crack up left side of face.

☐ **14. V?★★** Center slab face.

☐ **15. V1★★** Right slab face.

Dirty Hueco Boulder

☐ **16. V!?** Steep bulge facing road.

☐ **17. V?** Center of face on the back hillside to dirty hueco?

☐ **18. V?** Right face on back hillside past hollow pockets to dirty hueco?

Hueco Mantel Boulder

☐ **19. Hueco Mantel V0★★★** Stand start tips layback dihedral up to hueco/thread mantel. (up/downclimb) – V1 Sit start.

☐ **20. V1/2★★** Slab facing road.



The Roadside Classic: Hueco Mantel (V0)

