Lake Alpine – Alpine County, CA

Lake Alpine is a reservoir formed by Alpine Dam on Silver Creek. It is located near Arnold, CA east of Bear Valley in the Sierra Nevada range. It sits at 7,303 feet (2,227 m) above mean sea level and is a popular spot for outdoor activities, such as boating and hiking in the summer, and snowmobiling and skiing in the winter, although it may be inaccessible at times due to snow. CA-4 passes to the north of Lake Alpine between Bear Valley and the Pacific Grade Summit*.

*CA-4 is a mountain road (narrow and steep with hairpin turns) thru to the eastern Sierra Nevada. It even loses it's center dividing line for a time! And check the road conditions for snow!

After you visit Calaveras Big Trees State Park (north of Murphys), continue north on CA-4 to Lake Alpine.

Ebbetts Pass? That's another day!