

Inland Geological Society

June 2026

Meeting:
Tuesday,
June 2, 2026

Time:
Social: 6:00pm
Dinner 6:15pm
Presentation:
7:00pm

Location:
3 Iron
Brewing Company
898 South Via Lata,
Suite A
Colton, CA 92324

Coming to Dinner?
Students \$10
IGS Members \$12
Non-Members \$15

Please RSVP by
May 29th to:

rsvp.igs@gmail.com

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Speaker: Caleb LePore

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"Phytosaurs: A Spine-tingling Look at the Creatures of the Triassic Swamp"

Abstract:

Phytosaurs—the biggest, baddest predators of the Upper Triassic—have been studied for well over a century in the United States. While most phytosaur research has focused on their skulls, very little work has been done on the rest of the skeleton until recently. Caleb's work shines new light on old specimens, using the morphology of the vertebral column to reveal insights into how these ancient beasts lived, moved, and fed. His work reveals previously overlooked examples of variation in the vertebral column that may have application for terrestrial biostratigraphy in the Upper Triassic Chinle Formation and Dockum Group.



Speaker Biography:

Caleb LePore is a soon-to-be graduate of the Department of Earth and Biological Sciences at Loma Linda University. He recently defended his Ph.D. dissertation on the topic of phytosaurs, an extinct group of semi-aquatic reptiles commonly found as fossils in Upper Triassic rocks. His research centers on questions of function and variation in the anatomy of the vertebral column of phytosaurs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We ask that anyone that wishes to attend the IGS meeting and would like to have dinner provided, to **PLEASE RSVP**. Those that have **NOT** RSVP'd will be offered dinner after all those that have RSVP'd have been served, and if any food remains.

The Inland Geological Society meet on the first Tuesday of September through June at:

3 Iron Brewing Company
 898 South Via Lata , Suite A
 Colton, California 92324
 (<https://www.3ironbrewingco.com>)

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 1, 2026.

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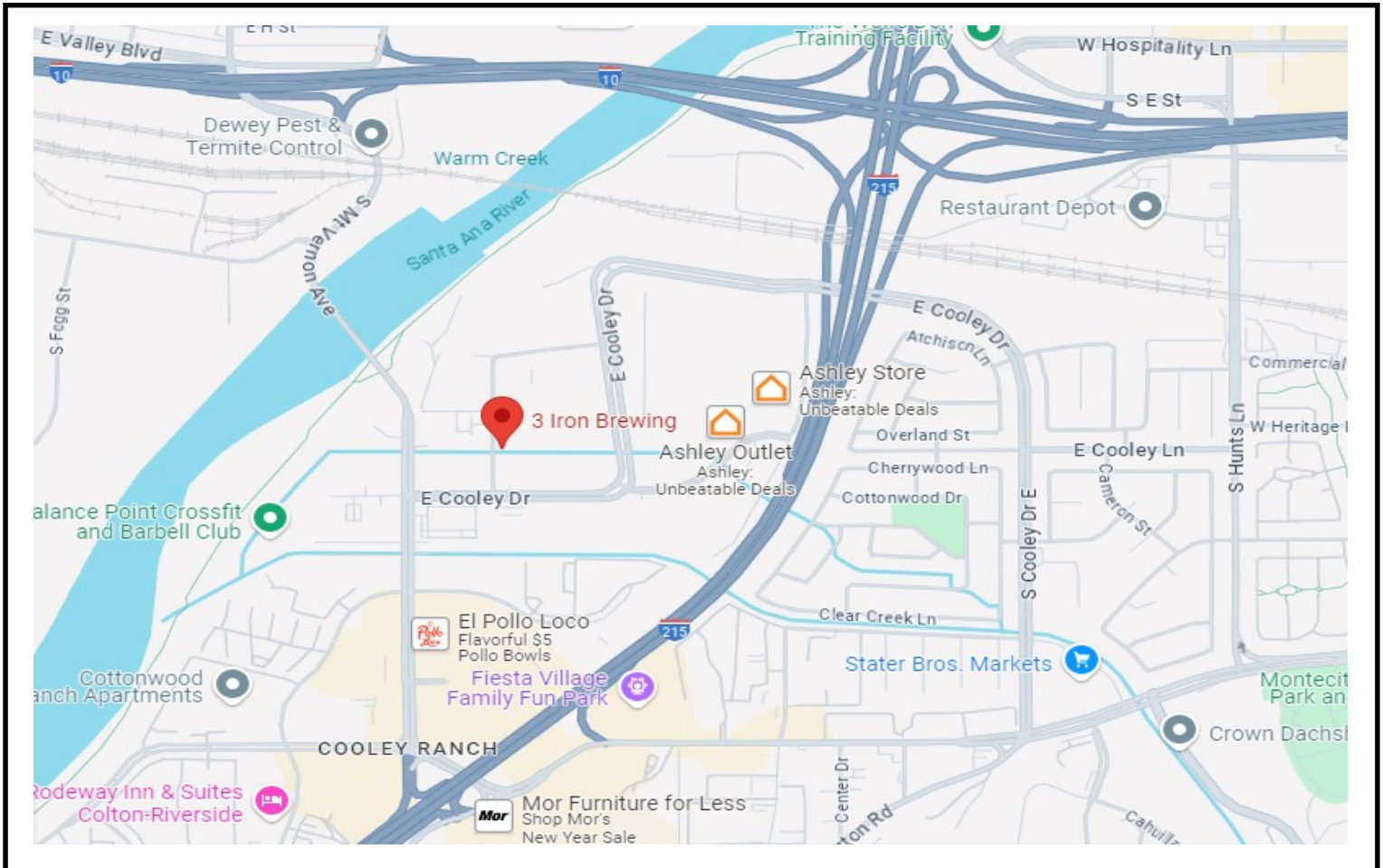
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IGS coffee mugs are available at the monthly meetings for \$10. Get yours at the upcoming meeting!

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