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MEDIA ALERT

SPECTACULAR FALL FOLIAGE, **AUTUMN COLORS BLANKET LAKE COUNTY**

Cobb Mountain, CA — A stunning tapestry of fall color is beginning to blanket Lake County in Northern California this week. One of the most awe-inspiring drives is along Highway 175, a lovely two-lane state highway that meanders southern Lake County between Kelseyville and Middletown, up and over spectacularly scenic Cobb Mountain. The drive wanders through charming towns with names like Whispering Pines, Pine Grove, and the “hub” of the area, the town of Cobb, which makes a good mid-point stop for a tasty bite to eat, a delicious cup of java, or if the mood strikes, even a round of golf.

WHAT: Spectacular fall foliage along a scenic mountain drive, or through walnut orchards and vineyards in the Big Valley of Kelseyville. Trees with spectacular color include black, golden, and red oaks, yellow and red dogwoods, cottonwoods, and red maples.

WHEN: Prime viewing time: mid- to late-October

WHERE: Cobb Mountain and the Big Valley in Lake County.
After touring through the orchards and vineyards in the Big Valley near Kelseyville, begin your mountain journey at the junction of Highway 29 and Bottle Rock Road. Head south on Bottle Rock Road as you begin ascending Cobb Mountain, vibrant colors begin to appear – green, chartreuse, yellow, orange, and burgundy – growing progressively more colorful. At the junction of Bottle Rock Road and Highway 175 in the town of Cobb, make a right and head south on Highway 175, continuing the ascent and the color show.

VISUALS/AUDIO: Spectacular colors that include green, chartreuse, yellow, orange, and burgundy that drip from deciduous trees. Leaves float down like showers against a beautiful evergreen backdrop of pines. Rolling vineyards are ablaze with color near golden walnut orchards.

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