

The film starts off with three senior boys in high school in a car, driving to the mountains. The three boys were childhood best friends but lost touch throughout high school. During the car ride, dialogue reveals that they decided to reconnect one last time as they went to their old favorite camping spot to dig up a time capsule they had buried in 8th grade. Kyle, the competitive jock of the group receives text messages that show that he's not psyched to be hanging out with these guys since he's missing a party with his football bros. Once they get to the spot, somewhere in the Santa Cruz Mountains, they see that the area is sectioned off with caution tape and they find a sign posted on one of the trees that the land has been bought by a big corporation and that it's private property. There is a small debate started by Grant, the outdoorsy surfer, about whether they should break in or not, but ultimately decide to take the risk and sneak under the tape. They hike around for a while, talking about old memories and joking with Ralph, the introverted boy scout. Touchy topics like Kyle's poor relationship with his estranged father come up and it is established that his dad is the head of Parks and Rec in the area. They pass by a swimming hole where they always used to go and reminisce. Eventually they come across the plot of land where they hid the time capsule but realize that a giant quarry has been built in that same spot. They are angry because this is state land and the company is not suppose to mine in the land.

Then it cuts to a scene of an older guy who clearly works for the company that bought the land in an office watching security footage of the land and he sees the boys walking around. He is clearly angry, as no one is suppose to know about their secret development so he sets off an alarm that the boys hear. The boys know that they need to get out before getting caught so they turn to leave and forget about the capsule. They run for awhile until they think they're safe. One boy realizes that these are their woods and they need to save the land by going to Kyle's dad, who lives down by the beach. Ralph draws a map in the dirt that plans how they will avoid the men from the quarry to get to the beach town. Along the way, they must cross a river, jump from a rock into water where one boy is scared to jump to swim to the other side. One of the boys trips on something on their way down the mountain; it turns out it's the capsule that had moved because of the creation of the quarry. They toss it in their bag because there's no time to stop. They come across an electric fence and Ralph, aka Ralphie, figures out a way to get past using boy scout knowledge. They finally get down to the road and Grant tracks down a man who agrees to take them into town. Kyle is scared to see his father but they knock on his door, the dad is surprised to all the boys together. They show him all the pictures they took proving that the corporation was breaking the law. As they turn to leave, Kyle confronts him about being detached from his life and they briefly resolve their anger.

Next, it cuts to a scene a few weeks later when all the boys are sitting at a table at Kyle's dad's house. They are looking through the contents of the time capsule, all laughing about what they wrote and how Grant used to date Kyle's current girlfriend. The Dad comes into the room with a handful of mail, one of them being a newspaper. He tosses it to Kyle and tells them to check it out. Kyle slaps the paper onto the table and the headline reads: Three local boys uncover illegal quarry built by new corporate owners of state land. Cuts to black.