

TRAIL GUIDE



CHUSH FALLS

Length: 2-3 Miles Round Trip Elevation High: 5200 Elevation Low: 4800 Difficulty: Moderate Setting: Forest Season: Spring through fall Restrictions: no motorized vehicles

Free, self-issued on-site Wilderness Permit required.

DESCRIPTION:

With the exception of two short, steep hills, the trail climbs a moderate slope for its duration. It traverses a pine forest and offers excellent opportunities to see the many different types of wildlife and native vegetation in the area. The maintained trail parallels the east side of Whychus Creek and ends at an overlook above the falls. The Cascades, another falls site, can be reached by continuing for another 1/2 mile beyond the overlook. No trail exists between the Falls and the Cascades, but it is relatively easy to navigate the cross-country portion if you keep the creek in your sight.

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

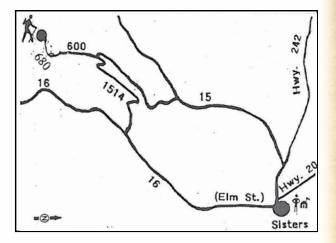
The cycle of rain and snow makes Chush Falls an ever changing attraction. The water flowing over the rocks comes from melting snow and glaciers on Broken Top and South Sister; causing the size of the falls to vary greatly with the time of year and even the time of day. From March to June alone the flow can increase by more than 6 times.

COMMENTS:

Wilderness permits are required on this trail and are self-issuing at the trailhead. No potable water or restroom facilties are available on the trail.

DIRECTIONS & TRAIL ACCESS:

Take road 16, Elm Street in Sisters, south for 7 miles. Turn right on road 1514 and continue for 4.8 miles to road 600. Follow road 600 for 2 miles then turn left on Road 680 follow for .3 miles.





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