





CANYON CREEK MEADOWS

Length: 4 miles round trip Elevation High: 5,600 Elevation Low: 5,120 Difficulty: Moderate Setting: Forest Season: Spring-fall

Northwest Forest Pass required.

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

DESCRIPTION:

The first mile of the hike traverses a stand of snags from the 2003 forest fire. To limit the number of people you meet start the loop clockwise. Bear left at the junction 0.3 miles from the Jack Lake campground parking area to start the loop. The gradual climb passes two ponds and then descends to the lower meadow.

For more energetic climbers continue 0.7 miles up the trail to the rim of the upper meadow. From there the 0.8 mile route to the viewpoint becomes less distinct. Climb south up the steep terrain – then follow the path up a steep and windy crest. The view will stretch from Mt. Jefferson to the Three Sisters.

To return to the loop, hike back to the bottom of the lower meadow and turn left. Follow Canyon Creek, then join the trail from Wasco Lake.

**Before returning to your car, listen for the sound of waterfalls and find your way to a footbridge above the first of Canyon Creek Falls.

COMMENTS:

The trailhead is on the right side of Jack Lake. After 1/4 Mile there is a junction, follow the left fork to Canyon

Creek Meadows. There is a view of Three Finger Jack from the meadow. This meadow is a well known wildflower sanctuary. Please stay on the path and do not pick the flowers.

DIRECTIONS & TRAIL ACCESS:

Proceed west on Hwy 20 approximately 13 miles. Turn right on paved road 12 (Jack lake). Follow it for 5 miles to Road 1230. Go left on road 1230 and follow it to Road 1234. Go left on Road 1234 and follow it to Jack lake (follow signs to Jack Lake).



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