

Plateau Cutoff Trail #412



Recreation Opportunity Guide

Distance..... 0.5 miles (one way)
Elevation..... 4260-4360 feet
Snow Free May to October



Trail Highlights: This trail is in the Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness. This trail connects Gorton Creek Trail #408 and Green Point Ridge Trail #418 on a high plateau above the Gorton Creek drainage.

Trail Description: To reach this trail from the Rainy Lake Trailhead, head north on Rainy Lake Trail #423A and follow it for 0.6 mile to North Lake Trail #423. Turn left (west) onto #423 and travel 0.5 mile to the junction with Gorton Creek Trail #408 and Green Point Ridge Trail #418. Trail #408 and #418 both access Plateau Cutoff Trail #412. #408 accesses the west end of #412 (4,260') in 1.4 miles and #418 accesses the east end of #412 (4,360') in 1.5 miles. This trail can also be reached from the north via Gorton Creek Trail #408, Nick Eaton Trail #447, Green Point Ridge #418 and Wyeth Trail #411.

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

- Group size is limited to 12. Stock are counted in the group size. For example, 3 people riding their own horse plus a spare horse in the group for packing would make a group of 7.

Leave No Trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on **Leave No Trace**, go to www.LNT.org or call 1-800-332-4100

For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood>

Map and driving directions on next page

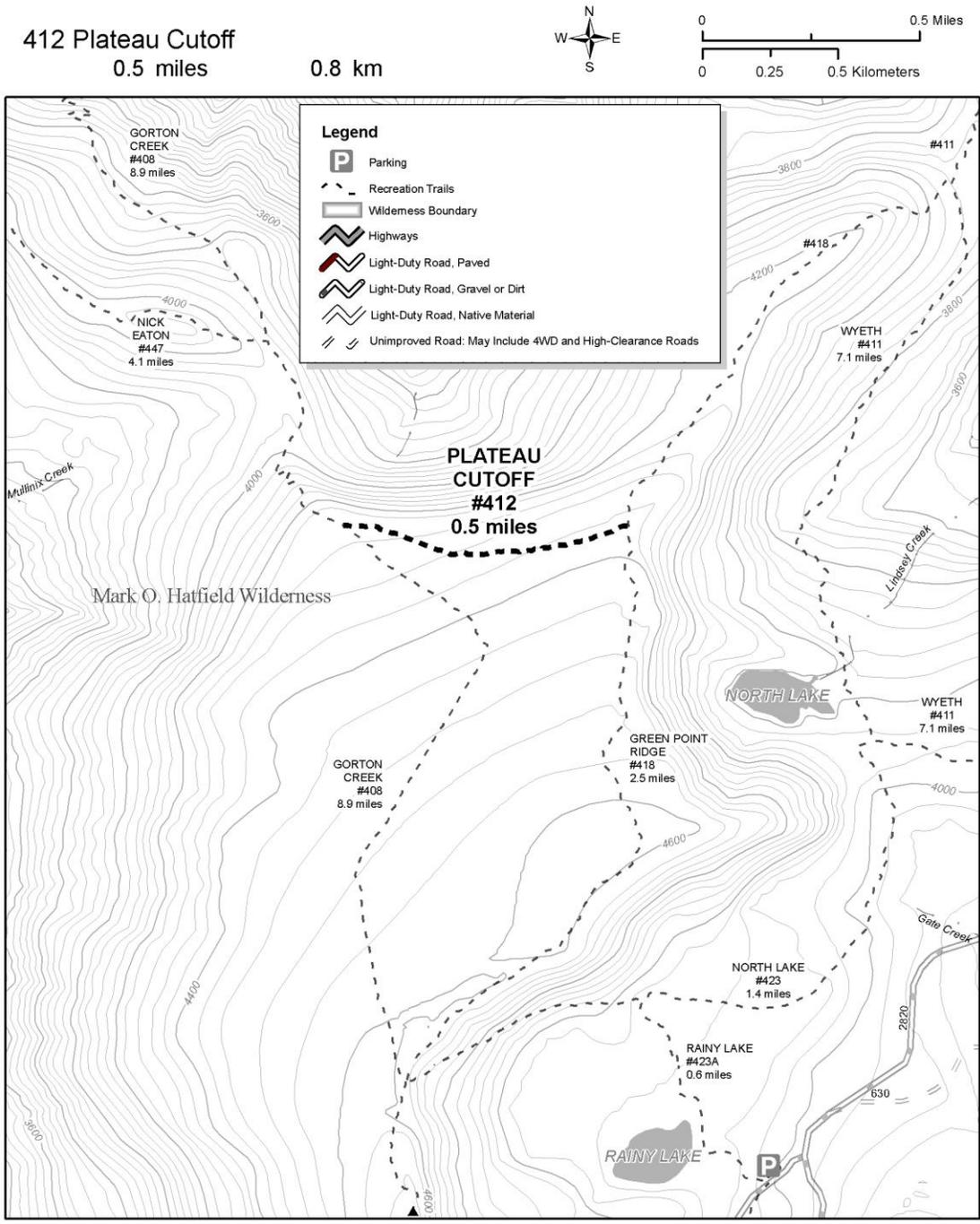
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Directions to Trailhead: From Hood River travel south on OR Hwy 281 Dee Highway (it goes past the Hood River airport) approximately 11 miles to Dee. Take the right fork and cross the East Fork of the Hood River. Turn right again to stay on Punchbowl Road and go 1.2 miles until it crosses the West Fork of the Hood River. The road becomes Dead Point Road (Forest Road 2820) here. Follow Dead Point Road 11 miles until you get to Rainy Lake Campground and Trailhead. See the "Trail Description" for directions to this trail from Rainy Lake Trailhead.



Recommended maps: Hood River Ranger District

