Surveyor's Ridge Trail #688



Most Difficult

Recreation Opportunity Guide

| Distance | 16.4 miles (one way) |
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| Elevation | 2240-4280 feet |
| Snow Free | June to October |

Trail Highlights: This trail overlooks the Hood River Valley and offers views of Mount Hood, Mount Adams, Mount St. Helens and Mount Rainier. This is a very popular mountain bike ride.

Trail Description: From the northern trailhead (2,200'), the trail begins off Pinemont Drive (Forest Road 17) and ends at the junction with Dog River Trail #675 and Zigzag Trail #678 (4.240'). The trail generally rolls along a ridge top with steep climbs and downhill sections mixed with flat sections. From the trailhead, the trail heads mainly south on a mix of single track and old road bed. After 2.6 miles the trail reaches Bald Butte, which offers views of Mount Hood and Upper Hood River Valley. From Bald Butte, travel south another 0.8 mile to Forest Road 1700-630. This makes an excellent alternate access point. Continue south 0.8 mile to the junction with Forest Road 1700-640. 0.1 mile beyond Forest Road 1700-640, the trail reaches the junction with Oak Ridge Trail #688A (3.680'). From Trail #688A, the trail continues south 1.6 miles and crosses Forest Road 1700-670. A further 0.3 mile south, the trail crosses Forest Road 1700-671. Continue south through the Rim Rock area and after 2.3 miles the trail passes Shellrock Mountain (4.450') to the east. Another 3 miles south of Shellrock Mountain, the trail joins Forest Road 1700-014, which follows an old aqueduct that once distributed water to The Dalles Watershed. Follow the trail/road 2.2 miles and cross Dog River. Continue south 0.2 mile to the junction with Cooks Meadow Trail #639. The trail heads west here and after 1.4 miles it reaches the junction with Forest Road 44 near Clinger Spring. This is a good place to leave a shuttle car. The trail continues west 0.9 mile to the junction with Dog River Trail #675 and Zigzag Trail #678 (4,240').

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

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 <u>www.LNT.org</u> or call 1-800-332-4100

For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

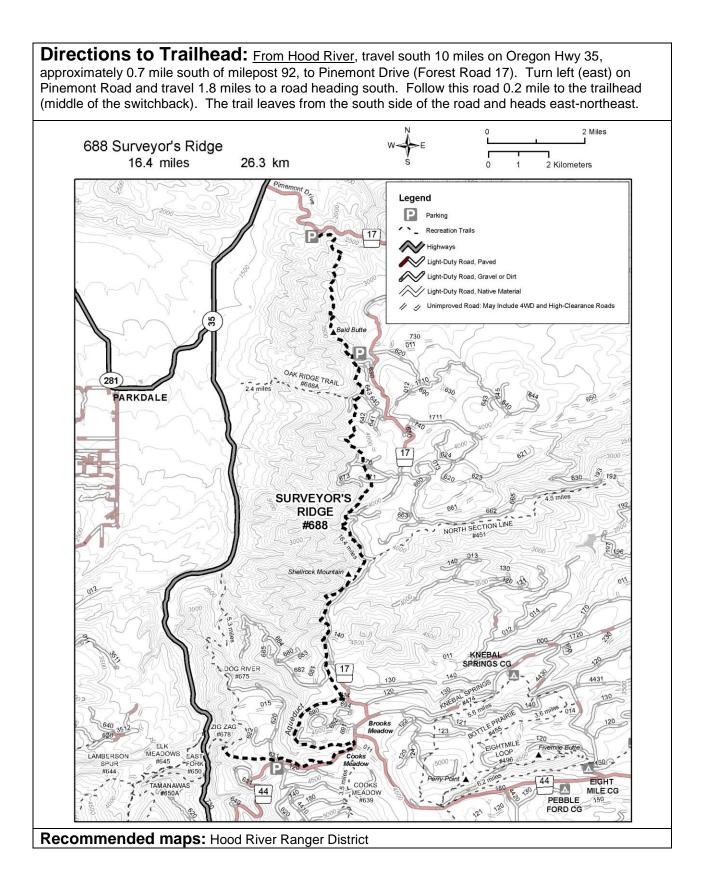
http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood

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