

Cast Creek Trail #773

Recreation Opportunity Guide



Distance..... 5.2 miles (one way)
Elevation..... 2080-4480 feet
Snow Free June to October



Trail Highlights: This trail is in the Mount Hood Wilderness Area. This trail is a steady, steep climb with numerous switchbacks going through a forested Westside Cascade mountainside.

Trail Description: The trail begins at Riley Horse Camp (2,080') and ends at Zigzag Mountain Trail #775 (4,480'). Visitors can retrace their steps to return to the trailhead. To reach Caste Lake Trail #796, turn right (west) onto #775 and follow it for 500' to the beginning of #796. To make an 11.8 mile loop, turn right (west) onto #775 from the end of #773 and follow it for 1.9 miles to Horseshoe Ridge Trail #774. Turn right (north) onto #774 and follow it for 4.6 miles to Forest Road 1825-380. Turn right onto Forest Road 1825-380 and follow it for 0.1 mile back to Riley Horse Camp. Although the trail is open to horse use, it is recommended that only experienced equestrians and horses use this route and that they ride it from south to north (downhill) only.

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

- Wilderness Permits are required between May 15 and Oct 15.
- 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

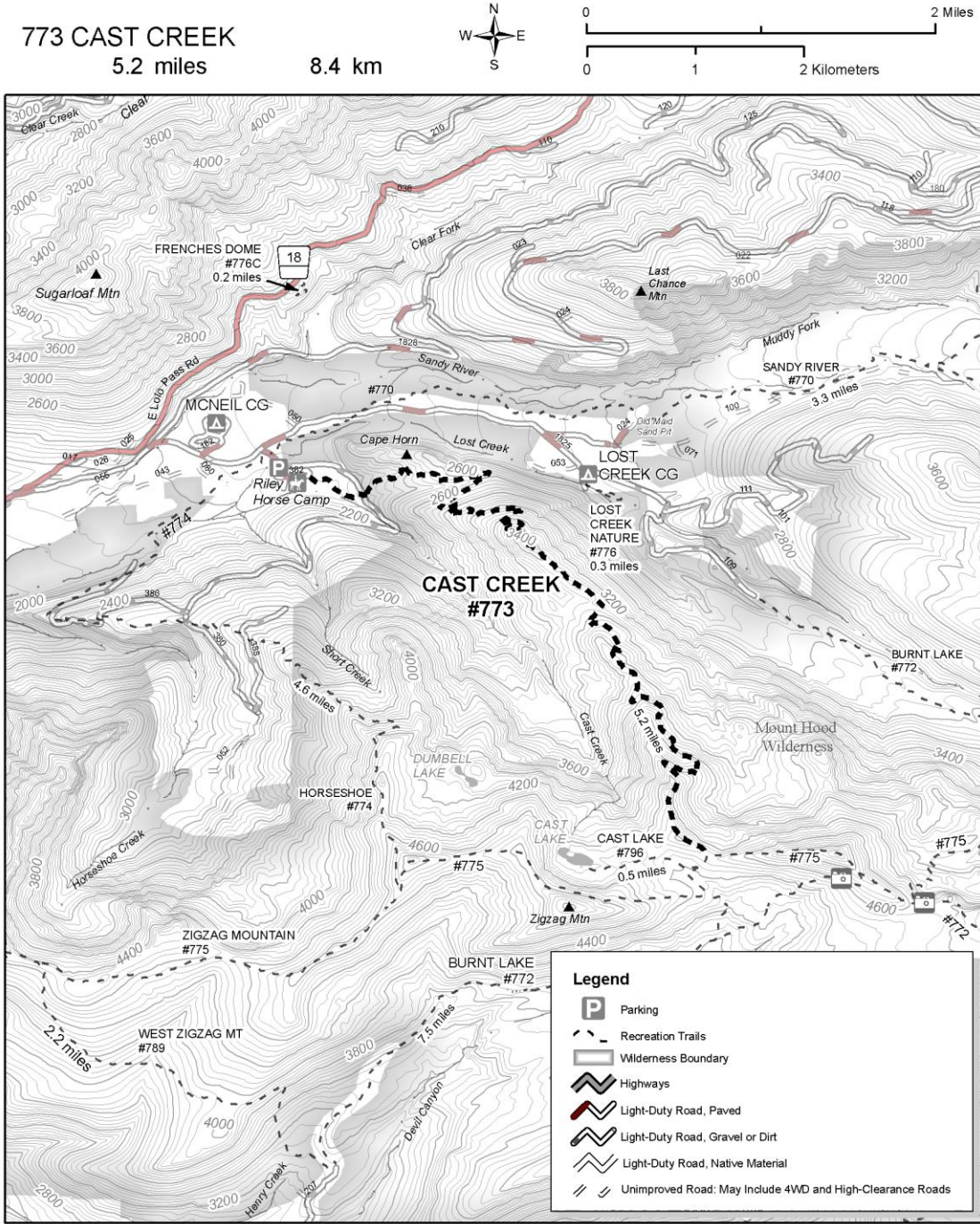
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Directions to Trailhead: From Portland, follow U.S. Hwy 26 17.5 miles east of Sandy to Zigzag. At Zigzag, approximately 0.4 mile past milepost 42, turn left (north) on Lolo Pass Road (Forest Road 18). Turn left on Lolo Pass Road and travel 4 miles to Forest Road 1825. Turn right (east) onto Forest Road 1825 and travel 1.2 miles to Forest Road 1825-380. Turn Right (south) onto Forest Road 1825-380 and travel 200' to the parking area and trailhead on the east side of the road.



Recommended maps: Zigzag Ranger District
Green Trails – Mt Hood Climbing/Timberline Tr. OR #462s

