

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL

KLAMATH NATIONAL FOREST



WELCOME!

The trail enters the Klamath National Forest from the south at Scott Mountain on Highway 3. This segment of the PCT is 120 miles long with elevation ranges from a low of 1,400 ft. at Klamath River, to a high of 7,648 ft. near Smith Lake. Seiad Valley on Hwy 96 is the last main access point before the trail reaches the Oregon Border.

ACCESS

Trail access is readily available wherever roads cross the PCT. Paved access roads are Hwy 3 at the top of Scott Mountain, the Callahan-Cecilville county road at Carter Meadows, the Sawyers Bar road at Etna Summit, and Hwy 96 near Seiad Valley. Motor vehicles and bicycles are prohibited on the PCT.

SEASONS

Winter comes early and stays late in the high country. Many snow banks are still along the ridges when the summer season starts about the first of July. Occasionally a cool period or thunderstorm occurs during the summer season, but generally the days are warm and balmy and the nights are comfortably cool.

PRIVATE LAND

The Klamath National Forest portion of the PCT is almost entirely on public land. There are a few scattered parcels of private land along the way. Without the cooperation of private landowners in granting right-of-ways, the Pacific Crest Trail could not have been completed. The trail easements across private land apply only to a narrow strip about 10 feet wide. Travelers must remain on the trail at all times when crossing private land.

PACK & SADDLE STOCK

Stock feed along the route is in short supply. Always carry food for your stock. Pelletized feed is preferred, to reduce the spread of non-native plants. Pack and saddle stock have the right-of-way.

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DRINKING WATER

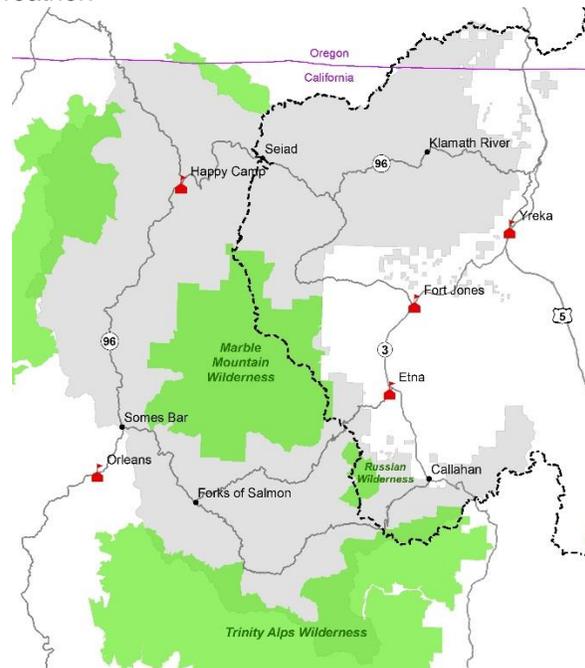
Surface water is scarce along certain stretches of the trail. Do not drink water that has not been treated or boiled.

FOOD & MAIL DROPS

The PCT passes through the small community of Seiad Valley on the Klamath River, which includes a small market, cafe, and post office. The post office will hold packages for PCT hikers. Address items to: Seiad Valley, CA 96086. The item should be plainly marked HOLD for arrival of (name) on approximate (date). If you need more information, call the Seiad Post Office at (530) 496-3211.

CAMPFIRE PERMITS & SAFETY

A campfire permit is required to build an open campfire or use a camp stove. Follow the terms on the permit for building and extinguishing campfires. Use dead and down wood only. Build fires in firepans or existing fire rings whenever possible. Keep it small, and never start a fire in windy weather.



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