



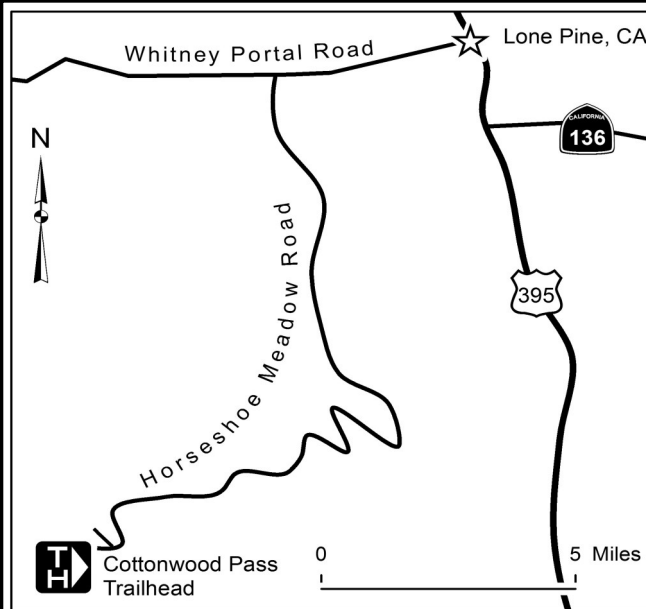
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Trail Pass / Pacific Crest Trail

Trail Pass provides access to the Pacific Crest Trail and the northeastern portion of the Golden Trout Wilderness. Small streams meander through tree-rimmed meadows in this wilderness area which is named for California's state fish. This trail is popular with horseback riders because it is generally well maintained and has a gently grade. The distance to the pass is 2 miles, with a gain of 500ft.



Access:

The trailhead is located approximately 24 miles southwest of Lone Pine, CA. From Highway 395 in Lone Pine, turn west onto Whitney Portal Road. Drive 3.5 miles and turn south (left) onto Horseshoe Meadow Road. Travel approximately 20 miles to the end of the road.

Begin hiking at the Horseshoe Meadows Trailhead. Follow the Cottonwood Pass Trail for approximately 1/4 mile, then turn south towards Trail Pass.

Season:

The trail is relatively snow free from approximately June to October. For the rest of the year, snow may cover some or all of the

trail.

Trailhead Facilities:

Water: Yes

Bear Resistant Food Storage Lockers: Yes

Campgrounds: Cottonwood Pass Trailhead Campground is adjacent to the trailhead.

Visitors with stock may use Horseshoe Meadow Equestrian Camp, located nearby.

On The Trail:

Food Storage: Food, trash and scented items must be stored in bear-resistant containers at Chicken Spring Lake and north on the PCT.

Camping: Use existing campsites. Camping is prohibited within 25 feet of the trail, and within 100 feet of water.

Human Waste: Bury human waste 6"-8" deep in soil, at least 100 feet from campsites, trails and water.

Campfires: Campfires are prohibited at Chicken Spring and Rocky Basin Lakes.

Pets: Pets must be under control at all times.

Additional Regulations: Additional information is available at www.fs.usda.gov/goto/inyo/trailpass and at Inyo National Forest visitor centers.

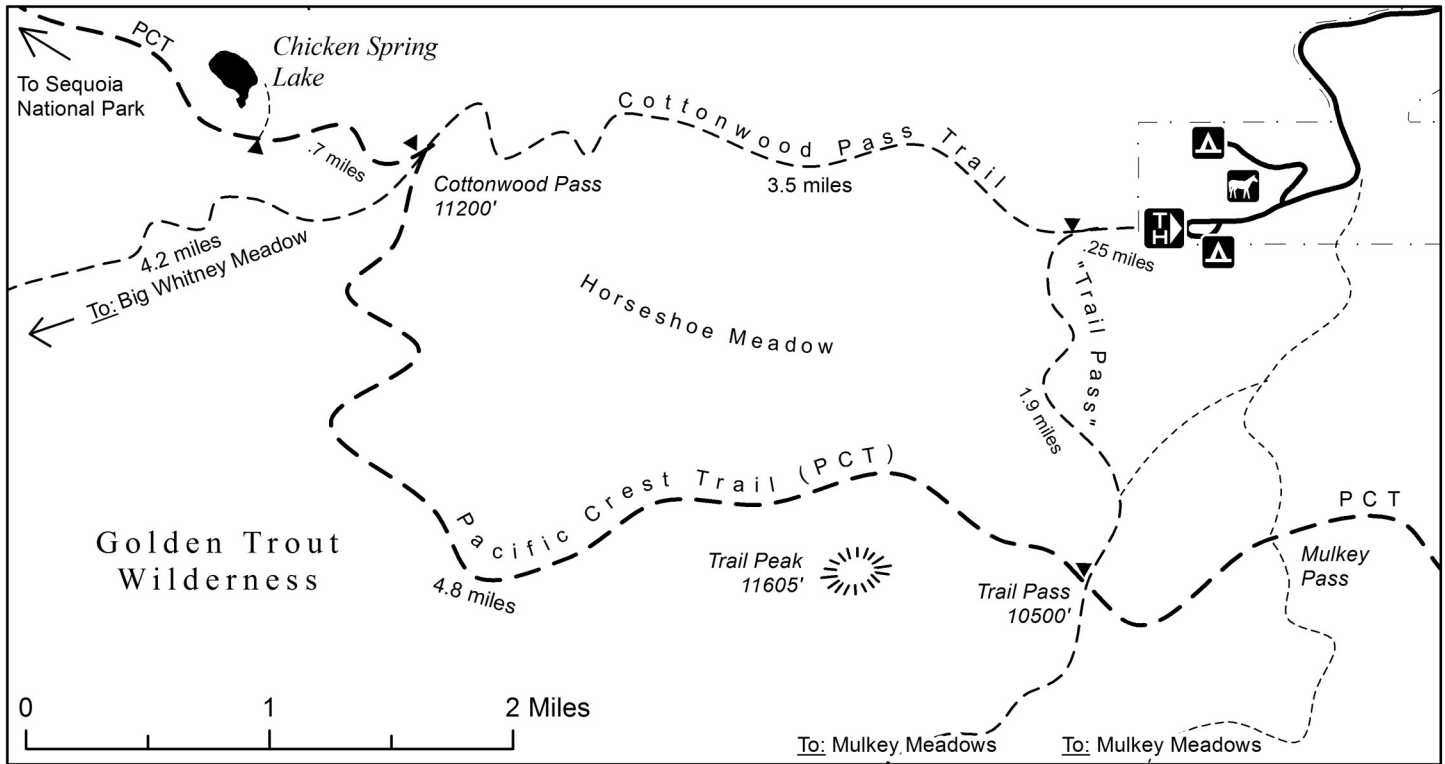
Permit & Quota Information:

Permits are required for overnight trips. Obtain permits at Inyo National Forest Visitor Centers.



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Location	Distance	Elevation
Trailhead	0 miles	10,000 ft
Trail Pass / Cttnwd Pass Junction	.25 miles	10,000 ft
Trail Pass / PCT Junction	2.15miles	10,500 ft
Mulkey Meadows	4.5 miles	9,350 ft



Leave No Trace Principles

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Minimize use and impact of fires.
5. Respect wildlife.
6. Leave what you find.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.

Maps:

USGS Quad: Cirque Peak; Johnson Peak

Tom Harrison: Golden Trout Wilderness

Need more information?

On the web at:
www.fs.usda.gov/inyo

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