



Forest Service

Inyo National Forest



# Olancha & Haiwee Pass Trails

The Olancha and Haiwee Pass Trails give users access to the South Sierra Wilderness, Monache Meadows area, and Pacific Crest Trail. These trails are lightly used. They begin at relatively low elevations where the desert meets the mountains. The weather may be quite hot in the summer and water may be scarce.

**NOTICE:** In 2010 a flood damaged the first two miles of the Haiwee Pass Trail. It is not stock passable and may be difficult to locate.

## Access:

**Olancha Pass:** From US 395, south of Olancha, CA, turn west onto Sage Flat Road and follow to its end. The road starts off paved, but becomes a dirt road towards the end.

**Haiwee Pass:** From US 395, south of Olancha, CA, turn west at mile marker 25.5 onto Haiwee Canyon Road. Follow the dirt road to the end. As it enters the canyon, the road is not suitable for low clearance vehicles and trailers, these visitors should park at the end of the graded road.

## Season:

Relatively snow free from approximately May through November. Recommended in spring and fall when temperatures are mild.

## Trailhead Facilities:

Water: No

Bear Resistant Food Storage Lockers: No

Corrals: Corrals are located at Olancha Pass Trailhead.

Campgrounds: Dispersed camping is allowed at the trailheads. Fossil Falls Campground (BLM), located 23 miles south of Olancha, CA, is the nearest developed campground. There are no stock facilities at Fossil Falls CG.

## On The Trail:

Food Storage: Food, trash and scented items must be stored in Bear-resistant containers. When suitable trees are present these items may be counter-balanced 15 feet above the ground and 10 feet horizontally from a tree trunk.

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

Campfires: Fire permits are required for stoves or campfires. Portable stoves are recommended for cooking. Campfires are allowed unless fire restrictions are in effect.

Pets: Pets must be under control at all times.

Additional Regulations: Additional information can be found at [www.fs.usda.gov/inyo](http://www.fs.usda.gov/inyo) or at Inyo National Forest visitor centers.

## Permit Information:

Permits are recommended for overnight trips in South Sierra Wilderness. They are required for overnight trips in Golden Trout Wilderness. Obtain permits at any Inyo National Forest ranger station.



## Leave No Trace Principles

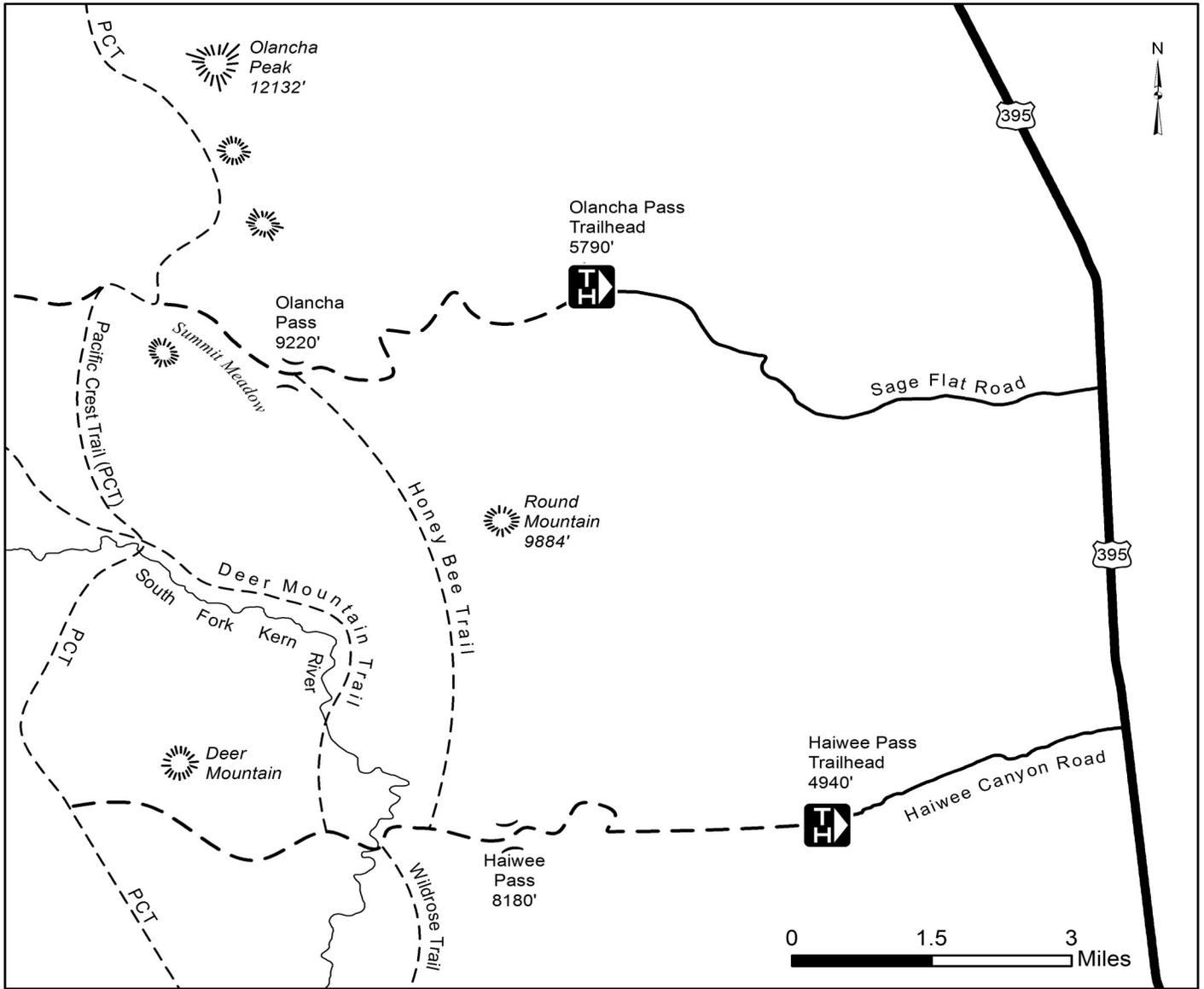
1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Minimize use and impact of fires.
5. Respect wildlife.
6. Leave what you find.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.



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<u>Location</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Elevation</u>
<b><u>Olancha Trailhead</u></b>	<b>0 miles</b>	<b>5,790 ft</b>
Olancha Pass	4.9 miles	9,220 ft
Pacific Crest Trail	6.8 miles	9,090 ft
<b><u>Haiwee Trailhead</u></b>	<b>0 miles</b>	<b>4,490 ft</b>
Haiwee Pass	4.7 miles	8,180 ft
S. Fork Kern River	6.4 miles	7,450 ft

**Maps:**

USGS Quad: Haiwee Pass

Tom Harrison: Golden Trout Wilderness

**Need more information?**

**On the web at:**  
[www.fs.usda.gov/inyo](http://www.fs.usda.gov/inyo)

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