Bucks Summit Bike Route

Mt. Hough Ranger District



General Information

Mileage: 3.8 miles Elevation: 5520 feet Difficulty: Easiest

Average Riding Time: 1 hours

Topographic Maps: Bucks Lake NE and NW

Access

From Oroville take Oro Dam Blvd. Turn right at Olive Hwy which becomes the Oro-Quincy road. Continue 35 miles northeast to Bucks Lake Road trailhead located east of lake - OR - 14 miles west of Quincy off Quincy Bucks Lake Road.

Parking is available at either Bucks Summit parking area or Bucks Creek trailhead.

Route Description

Summit trailhead starts at Bucks Summit and continues 2 miles through meadows and forested area. When the trail reaches the pavement turn right and take the Bucks Creek trail 1.8 miles back to Bucks Summit. This trail goes through the Whitehorse campground.

Points of interest include views of Bucks Lake Wilderness.

Route Surface

Single Track / Trail: 3.8 miles

Notes

Facilities - Bucks Lake Lodge, Lakeshore Resort (closed summer 2006), Haskins Bed and Breakfast with a small store at each.

Camping - five campgrounds around Bucks Lake.

The following points will help create a more enjoyable visit:

It is important that all mountain bikers show a high level of respect and courtesy towards other forest users. Slow down when approaching hikers, yield to horses, and warn of an approach with a friendly word.

Where to ride on the National Forest?

Areas that provide good riding include: abandoned logging roads, areas designated for off highway vehicles, trails and some back country roads. These areas are open to bikers and provide a good cross-section of terrain and topography.

The Wilderness and the Pacific Crest Trail are closed to bike riding. Persons found riding in these areas are subject to citation. Use existing roads and trails as much as possible. Stay out of meadows and wet areas. Do not "short cut" switchbacks on the trail.

Safety Tips

Bicyclists are subject to the same laws and regulations as motor vehicles. State law requires individuals under the age of 18 to wear a helmet. Dress appropriately, wear bright colors and gloves. If using highways, remember many roads are narrow, windy and carry heavy traffic.

For more information contact the Mt. Hough Ranger District at (530) 283-0555

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