Little Grayback Trail #921
Siskiyou Mountains Ranger District
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LENGTH: 5.4 miles
SEASON: April-November
LEVEL OF USE: Light (Moderate during hunting season)
ELEVATION: 3220-4440 feet

Trail Information: The Little Grayback Trail offers spectacular views of Squaw Lakes and the surrounding basins. The trail climbs gently across the southern slopes of Little Grayback Mountain towards Hanley Gap, and emerges onto FS Road 340, within one mile of Squaw Peak (elevation 4984').

Little Grayback Mountain was likely named by the early miners for the persistent presence of lice ("graybacks") at their Applegate River camps.

Getting There: From Ruch, OR, travel south on Upper Applegate Road (County Road 859) for approximately 14.8 miles. Turn left (east) onto French Gulch Road (County Road 959/ FS Road 1075), crossing the dam, and continue on Forest Road 1075 for approximately 1.5 miles to the junction with FS Road 1075-490. Turn left on FS Road 1075-490 and follow to French Gulch divide for approximately 2 miles, where you will find a small trailhead on the left.

Considerations: Prepare for your hike! Carry plenty of water, as there is no water along this trail.

As this is a multi-user trail, prepare to yield to other user groups. Use caution on blind corners. Should you encounter stock, make your presence known, and move to the downhill side of the trail.

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