THE ROUTE

Lyle - State Road 14
Park across SR14 from Greg Colt Realty at the west end of town. From the trailhead, proceed north parallel to SR142. At 0.9 miles north of Lyle, the trial accesses a public park.

Fisher Hill Bridge
1.6 miles north of Lyle on SR142 following the Klickitat River. Please do not interfere with any tribal fishing. Stay on the Trail.

Pitt
You can park across the street from the row of houses. Going west, pass through or around the double gates to access the Trail. Going northeast, simply walk the gravel road base just south of the highway for 100 yards until the Trail curves left under the cliff.

Klickitat
The community park abuts the Trail one block south and across SR142 from the gas station. It is the location of the former railroad station in town. Going south from here is the preferred option. The Trail north is in poor condition.

Wahkiacus
Approximately 3 miles north of Klickitat, along SR142, turn right and take the Horseshoe Bend Rd and cross the Klickitat River bridge. Follow the road a few hundred yards east until it intersects with Schilling Rd. Turn right onto Schilling Rd - the parking area is on the immediate right. There is a portable toilet located on the parking area. Going west toward Wahkiacus, it is a pretty three mile hike along the river with no houses or roads. You will then encounter the washed-out trestle and need to return the same way. Bicyclists passing through from Swale Canyon should turn north at the park lot, proceed a few yards to Horseshoe Bend Road, turn left and cross the bridge over the Klickitat River. Then turn left again onto paved SR142 and reconnect with the Trail three miles later in the town of Klickitat. Going east from Wahkiacus is scenic and very easy walking. A very pleasant in and out walk is a great option here. It is the lower entrance to Swale Canyon.

Harms Road
Get on the Centerville Highway from Lyle by turning north on Glenwood Avenue between the gas station and cafe ½ mile east of the Klickitat River Bridge. Travel approximately 15 miles northeast from Lyle. Look on the left for Harms Rd. This gravel county road heads north and is signed. Go north for ½ mile, cross the Swale Creek Bridge, and park on the shoulder of the county road. Going west from here leads you into the beautiful Swale Canyon. Due to its remoteness and lack of communication services, it is not recommended to travel this section of trail alone. Cell phones do not work in this area. Going east from here is pleasant and only 2 miles before the end of the trail at Sklacker Rd. There is no toilet here from July 1 - October 1 (approximately).

THE Klickitat Trail Conservancy is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting public non-motorized recreational use of the Trail.