



Wallowa-Whitman Forest Facts

The Wallowa-Whitman National Forest encompasses 2,392,508 acres, four ranger districts, one national recreation area, and four wilderness areas. The Forest varies in elevation from 875 to 9,845 feet.

Developed Recreation

- Developed sites: 186
 - 71 Campgrounds and Forest Camps
 - 68 Trailheads and Snowparks
 - 47 Misc Day Use (Boat Launches, Interpret Area, Observation points, Picnic areas)
- Fee Demo Sites: 68
 - 26 Day Use Sites (Trailheads and picnic areas) since 1997
 - 34 Campgrounds since 1999
 - 8 Cabins since 1997
 - Annual fee collections approx. 85K\$.
- 2003 National Visitor Use Monitoring days for WWNF = 654,476 site visits

Recreation Special Use Permits

- High Priority Rec SUPs:
 - Anthony Lakes Ski Area = 27,500 avg. visits
 - Mt. Howard Tram = 27,700 avg. visits
 - 43 Recreation Residences on 3 different tracts
 - 6 Concession Campgrounds and 2 day use areas
 - 32 Snake River Outfitter and Guide permits (float and powerboat)

Trails & Byways

- 2,775 miles total miles of trails on Forest
 - 2118 miles of horse/hiker/OHV/ADA summer trails
 - 657 miles winter (596 snowmobile + 61 XC ski)
- National Trails
 - Recreation: Snake River, Elkhorn Crest, High Wallowa, Summit Ridge/Western Rim

- Historic: Nee Mee Poo (Nez Perce), Oregon Interpretive Trail
- Scenic Byways:
 - National: Hells Canyon All American Road
 - State: Elkhorn Loop, Journey Through Time.

Hells Canyon National Recreation Area

- HCNRA designated in 1975.
- Total acres = 652,488 (composed of 3 Forest; Wallowa-Whitman, Nez Perce and Payette)
- WW designated as lead forest by FS Chief.
- Hells Canyon Comprehensive Mgt Plan revised in 2003 after 9 years of analysis.
- HCNRA Act designated wilderness and 2 W&S Rivers as part of NRA.

Wilderness

- 4 Wilderness areas on Forest = 588,287 acres (24.5% of Forest)
 - Hells Canyon (215,233 acres)
 - Eagle Cap (351,730 acres)
 - Monument Rock (shared with Malheur NF- 7,030 acres on WW)
 - North Fork John Day (shared with Umatilla- 14,294 acres on WW)
- Eagle Cap Wilderness largest in Oregon
- 2003 National Visitor Use Monitoring days for wilderness = 56,968 visits

Wild & Scenic Rivers

- 9 Wild and Scenic Rivers on Forest = 294 miles
- Total Miles:
 - Wild = 138
 - Scenic = 53
 - Recreation = 99
 - Study = 4
- Snake River W&S River
 - Navigable for over 71 miles
 - Borders Idaho, Oregon and ends near Washington border
 - Main Launches/Portals: Hells Canyon Creek Dam, Pittsburg Landing, Cache Creek, Dug Bar.
 - 46,000 visitors on river in 2003.