

Little Badger Trail #469



Recreation Opportunity Guide

Distance..... 7.6 miles (one way)
 Elevation..... 2160-5400 feet
 Snow Free May to September



Trail Highlight: This trail runs east west along a ridge through the Badger Creek Wilderness. This trail makes a long day hike or backpack route. There are more than a dozen campsites along the trail. The route stays relatively close to Badger Creek, crossing numerous streams along the way. There is a variety of forest types along trail, from oak thickets to sub-alpine fir meadows at Badger Lake. Visitors will find great trout fishing in Badger Creek.

Trail Description: This trail travels from Forest Road 2730-200 near Flag Point to Forest Road 2710 near Little Badger Campground. Leaving the trailhead at Forest Road 2730-200 (5,400'), the trail quickly enters the Badger Creek Wilderness and heads gently downhill following an old road that soon becomes a single track trail. The trail continues for 1.4 miles and passes two campsites before reaching a junction with Gordon Butte Trail #470A (5,040'). Stay on #469 and continue downhill heading east and travel 1.9 miles to a junction with School Canyon Trail #468 (4,000') (3.3 miles to Forest Road 27). From trail #468, #469 heads down a steep hill for 0.7 mile to the Kinzel cabin site at Little Badger Creek (3,040'). There is a campsite at the cabin. After leaving Kinzel cabin, the trail generally follows Little Badger Creek for 3.5 miles to the trail's end at Forest Road 2710 (2,160'). The last part of the trail travels through a mix of oak thickets, maples and conifers.

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

- Group size is limited to 12. Stock are counted in the group size. For example, 3 people riding their own horse plus a spare horse in the group for packing would make a group of 7.

Leave No Trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on **Leave No Trace**, go to www.LNT.org or call 1-800-332-4100

For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood>

Map and driving directions on next page

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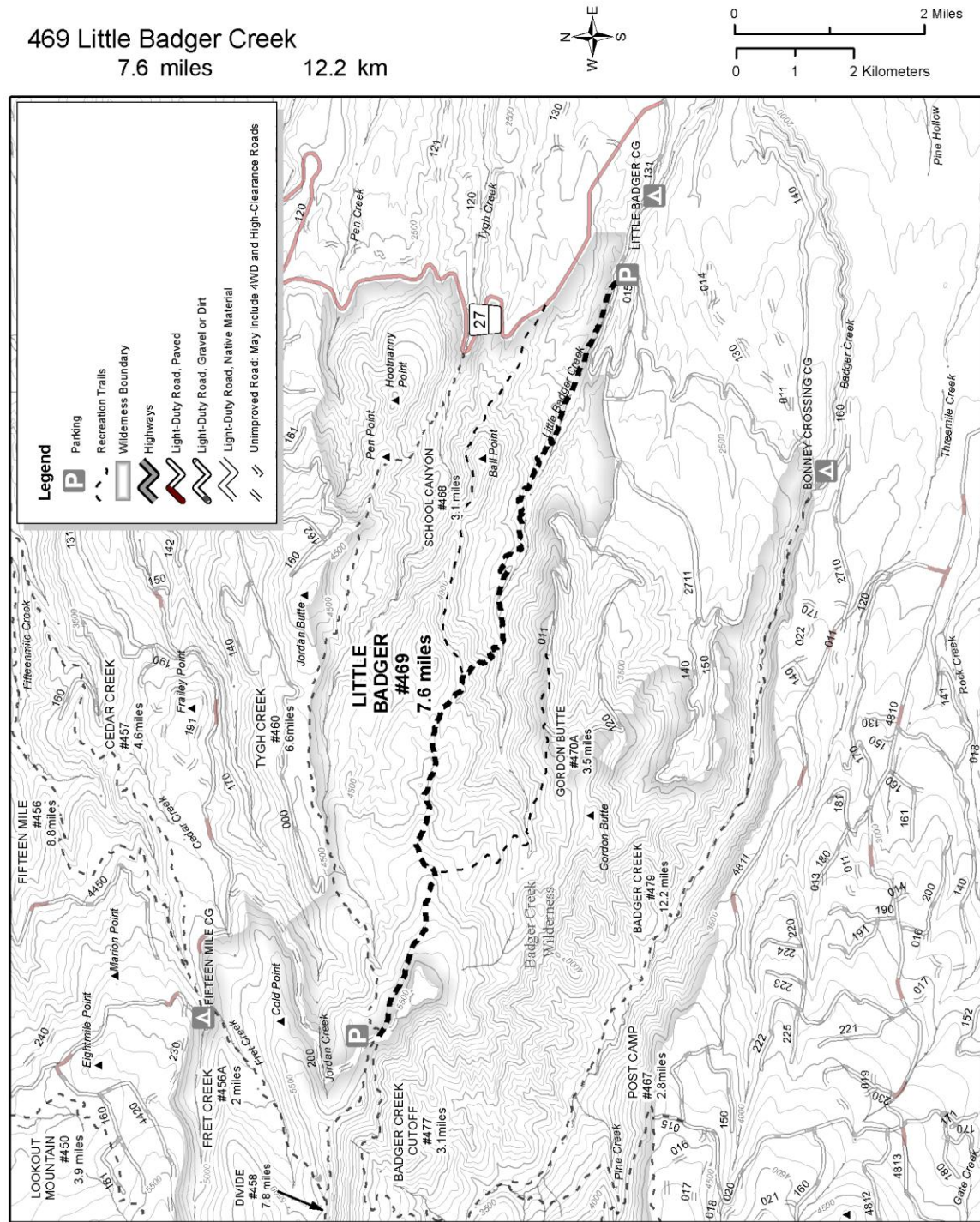
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Directions to Trailhead: From Hood River, take OR Hwy 35 south 26 miles, 0.15 mile south of milepost 71, to Dufur Mill Road (Forest Road 44). Turn left (east) on Forest Road 44, go 8 miles to Forest Road 4420 and turn (right) south. Drive 2.1 miles on Forest Road 4420 and take the left fork onto Forest Road 2730. Follow Forest Road 2730 for 3 miles to Forest Road 2730-200. Turn right (south) on Forest Road 2730-200 and travel 2.75 miles to the trailhead.

From Dufur, travel west on Dufur Valley Road (Forest Road 44) for approximately 18 miles to Forest Road 4420. Turn left (south) on Forest Road 4420 and follow the directions above.

This trail can also be accessed from Forest Road 2710 on the east end.



Recommended maps: Barlow Ranger District

