

# Knebal Springs Trail #474



Northwest  
Forest Pass  
Required  
May 15-Oct 1



## Recreation Opportunity Guide

Distance..... 4.2 miles (one way)  
Elevation..... 3850-4950 feet  
Snow Free ..... June to October



**Trail Highlights:** This popular mountain bike trail offers nice views of Mount Hood. Combine this trail with Bottle Prairie Trail #455 for an excellent 9 mile loop.

**Trail Description:** From Knebal Springs Campground (3,850'), head uphill (southwest) on this trail. Travel 1.6 miles from the campground to the junction with Forest Road 1720-121. Cross the road and continue uphill 0.5 mile to the junction with Forest Road 1720-123. Cross the road and continue uphill 0.5 mile to the junction with Forest Road 1720-125. Cross the road and continue 0.3 mile to the junction with Forest Road 1720-124. Cross the road and continue slightly downhill 1 mile to the junction with an abandoned road. Continue (southeast) 0.2 mile to the junction with Eightmile Loop Trail #496 and Bottle Prairie Trail #455. Visitors can head south 0.1 mile on this trail to the trailhead (4,450') at Forest Road 44 (for a one way, shuttle route). To make a 9 mile loop, head left (northeast) on Eightmile Loop Trail #496/Bottle Prairie Trail #455 and travel 0.4 mile where the trails split. Stay left on Bottle Prairie Trail #455 and travel 4.3 miles to return to Knebal Springs Campground.

## Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

### 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](http://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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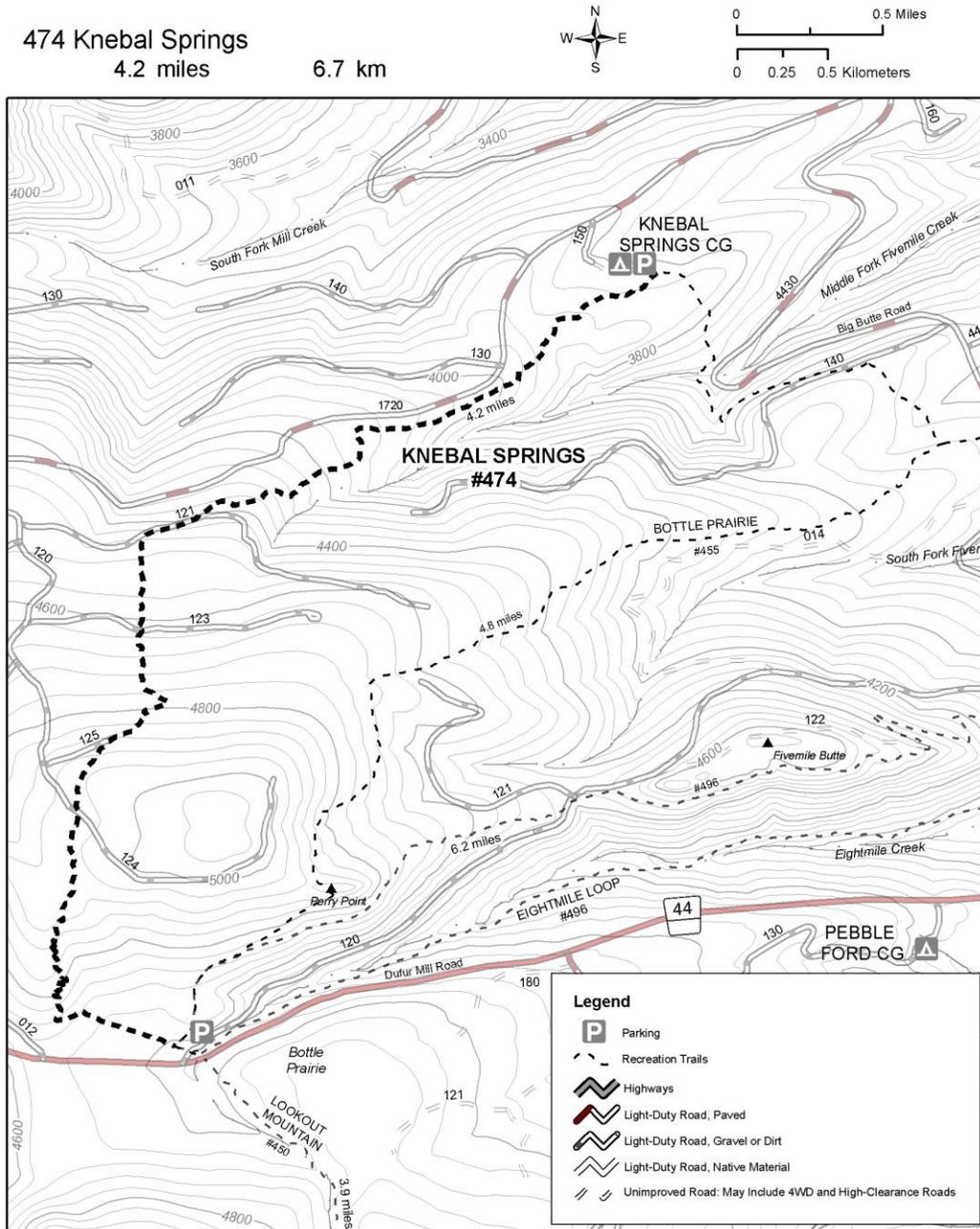
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**Directions to Trailhead:** From Hood River, take Oregon Hwy 35 south 26 miles, approximately 0.15 mile past milepost 71, to Dufur Mill Road (Forest Road 44). Turn left (east) on Forest Road 44 and travel 5.3 miles to Forest Road 17 (signed for Knebal Springs Campground). Continue straight on Forest Road 17 (Forest Road 44 curves right). After 0.5 mile, take the right fork onto FS 1720, (signed for Knebal Springs) (Forest Road 17 goes left). Stay on Forest Road 1720 for 2.7 miles to Forest Road 1720-150. Turn right onto Forest Road 1720-150 and drive 0.2 mile to enter Knebal Springs Campground. Bear left through the campground to park on the left in an open grassy area.

From Dufur, to the east end of the trail, go west on Dufur Mill Road (Forest Road 44) for 16.7 miles to Forest Road 1720. Turn right (north) on Forest Road 4430 and travel 4.5 miles to Forest Road 1720. Turn left (southwest) and travel 0.9 mile to Forest Road 1720-150. Turn right onto Forest Road 1720-150 and drive 0.2 mile to enter Knebal Springs Campground. Bear left through the campground to park on the left.



**Recommended maps:** Barlow Ranger District



