

# Interpretative Signs Study Guide

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## Directions

Read this page to prepare for the Bonus Questions about the trail. Answers to all the remaining questions can be found on the signs along the trail.

## Bonus Questions – 1 point each – 12 points

(Consider all questions at the beginning of the trail – They are not listed in order of hiking)

1. How many interpretative signs are located on the destination loop?
2. How many boardwalks are on the trail?
3. A large waterfall is located between what mileage markers?
4. Which bridge overlooks a small waterfall?
5. What quarter mile of the trail has three major uphill grades?
6. The large burnt cedar snag next to the trail is located between what mileage markers?
7. Which bridge has no water running beneath it?
8. Where was the vent for the War Eagle Mine was made?
9. Where is the largest bridge of the five bridges?
10. Between what mileage markers does the most water run onto the trail?
11. How many bolts are used in the first large bridge?
12. What is on the overlook wall?

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### Trailhead Sign – 2 pts per question - 20 points

1. What creek does the Pulaski Tunnel Trail follow?
2. What is the height of Pulaski Peak?
3. How many items are on the Map Key?
4. How many feet is the climb from the Trailhead to Overlook Loop?
5. How long is the trail?
6. What scars of the catastrophic fire are along the trail?
7. How long does a round-trip hike take?
8. How many interpretative signs are along the trail?
9. What seasons is the trail open?
10. Why is the trail called the Pulaski Tunnel Trail?

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Interpretative signs – 1 point per question – 36 points total

### Sign #1 – Pulaski's Trail

1. Study the map and determine the direction you will be hiking.
2. Who is pictured on the first sign?
3. What year did the great fire take place?
4. What are 'fire scars'? *difficult question- extra credit*

### Sign #2 – The Great Fires of 1910

1. Study the map and determine what area of the country, other than the west, had fires in 1910.
2. The office of supervisor of the Coeur d'Alene National Forest was located in what city?
3. What was another name for the Great Fires of 1910?

### Sign #3 – "Big Ed" Pulaski

1. What was the name of Ed Pulaski's wife?
2. Who appears as a Forest Service Ranger on the 'Men Wanted' Poster?
3. Who was Count Kazimierz (Casimire) Pulaski?

### Sign #4 – The Big Blowup

1. Why was the Great Fire of 1910 also called the "Big Blowup"?
2. In what town did the pictured fire fighters gather?
3. The firestorm was described as what sound? *difficult question*

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### Sign #5 – In The Eye of the Storm

1. Study the map/diagram of the fire and list the effect it had on the furthest eastern part of the United States.
2. What year did *Edward C. Pulaski* write about the Great Fire of 1910?
3. How did people attempt to start rain?

### Sign #6 – Surrounded by Fire

1. Who went with Mr. Pulaski to the end of the road?
2. When they realized they could not make it to Wallace, what was their one hope for safety?
3. What town were the fire fighters dashing (running) toward?

### Sign #7 – We Reached the Mine

1. Why did Pulaski threaten the crew with a gun?
2. Did Pulaski have to use his gun?
3. What was left at the tunnel entrance weeks after the fire?

### Sign #8 – The Men Were in a Panic

1. What caused the men to become unconscious?
2. Who took the photographs on this sign?
3. How many men died in the tunnel?

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### **Rock Wall Signs – 2 points each – 24 points total**

Hard Rock, Hard Work – Left Sign

1. Where can one see the artifacts represented on this sign?
2. What are the two miners shown doing?
3. Was ore (silver or gold) found in the Pulaski Tunnel?

Pulaski Tunnel Picture – Middle Sign

1. Who took this picture?
2. What tumbled down the mountain?
3. Who is in the picture?

Restoring the Past – Right Sign

1. What does a set provide?
2. Who made the posts and caps?
3. What were the archaeologists searching for?

Plaque

1. How many men are memorialized on the plaque?
2. Who wrote the quote on the plaque?
3. When was the quote written?

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### Sign #9 – How We Got Down

1. What town had suffered fire damage from the 1910 Fire?
2. What injuries did Pulaski suffer from his ordeal?
3. How long did Pulaski stay in the hospital?

### Sign #10 – The Death Toll

1. What was the official tally of people who died in the Big Blowup?
2. How many crews lost men in the Great Fire?
3. Where were the men who died buried?
4. What crew suffered the most casualties? (extra credit)

### Sign #11 – Out of the Fire

1. Why is Pulaski wearing dark glasses in the picture on this sign?
2. What is the name of the fire lookout tower?
3. The Big Blowup shocked the Forest Service and prompted the agency to elevate what to its top priority?

### Sign #12 – Pulaski's pulaski

1. What is a pulaski?
2. When did Pulaski die?
3. Whose death notice, other than Ed Pulaski's, is shown on this sign?