

Area Hiking

See books on shelf about Waterfall and area hikes. Many hikes are out of Randle (40 miles east).

<http://www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/recreation/current-conditions/roads.shtml>

Current Conditions - Gifford Pinchot National Forest

Roads

Emergency Update

Forest Road **2750** to Goat Creek Trailhead #205 is closed by a recent large rockslide at Milepost 3.4.

Turnaround or parking space is very limited, trailers are not recommended and the slide is impassable to horses.

Foot travel is not recommended and parking would occupy all turnaround space, as the road is single lane.

The Forest Service is pursuing options for clearing the slide to restore access to the trailhead.

[Last Updated: 31 May 2010]

General Information

- Be prepared for extreme changes in weather conditions.
- Some roads on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest remain closed due to [road damage](#) and snow.
- Please check our [current conditions reports](#) or call the local Forest Service office for updates.

Mount St. Helens

- Forest Road 83 is open to Lava Canyon.
- Forest Road 81 is open.
- Attention Climbers: Forest Road 830 is closed to Climbers Bivouac.
- Forest Road 8303 is open to Ape Cave.
- Forest Roads 25 and 99 are currently closed due to snow.
- Johnston Ridge Observatory is open daily from 10am to 6pm.

General Roads Information

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Update: June 05, 2010: Travelers should drive cautiously on all Forest roads and be prepared to encounter sections of roads [damaged this past winter](#). **Currently there are large amounts of snow reported on higher elevation forest roads.** Check the report below for updates on Forest road conditions.

- Always contact your local Forest District Office for the very latest Road conditions. Road conditions are subject to change without notice and the information presented here may not immediately reflect these changing conditions.
- When on single lane Roads use extreme caution. Use turnouts, and make sure you can stop in half your sight distance. High clearance vehicles are required on many Roads. Most Roads are not patrolled, so be careful so you do not become stuck.
- Helpful tips about [Traveling on Forest Roads](#) Adobe .pdf file (256 KB)
- [Weather Information](#)
- There are remote snow guage stations in the Forest. To see the amounts go to the Washington Snotell sites at;
- <http://www.wcc.nrcs.usda.gov/snotel/Washington/washington.html>
- [Click here](#) for information about winter conditions on State Route 504
- [Link to General Forest map](#)

| Road | Road Name | Date & Status since conditions last changed |
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| 1270 | To Jody's Bridge | Bridge Closed to all uses. NO EXCEPTIONS. No motorized access or use to the Backbone Ridge area. |
| 1284 | White Road | 11/17/2009: Closed by snow. |
| 18 | Oklahoma Paved - Two lanes | 06/05/2010: Snow above 3800 feet. |
| 20 | Smith Creek | 11/17/2009: Snow above 3000 feet. Road is rough high clearance vehicles only. |
| 21 | Johnson Creek | 6/12/2010: Open to Hugo |

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| | Gravel - One Lane | Lake, closed by snow above the lake. |
| 2130 | Deception Creek | 11/17/2009: Snow above 3000 feet. |
| 2150 | Snow grass Flats | 05/25/2010: Closed by snow. |
| 2160 | To Walupt Lake | 05/25/2010: Open to just below Walupt Horse Camp |
| 22 | North Fork Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 23 | Cispus section Paved / Gravel | 06/08/2010: Open to Milepost 29 then still snow blocked between Rd 2329 and Rd 90 |
| 23 | North of Trout Lake | 06/05/2010: Open to the 90/23 junction. The 23 road is closed north of the junction. |
| 2304 | Pompey Peak Trailhead | 11/09/2009: Snow above 3000 feet |
| 2324 | Sunrise trail head | 11/09/2009: Snow above 3000 feet |
| 2325 | Table Mountain | 11/09/2009: Snow above 3000 feet Bridge has been removed, no motorized use on road system. Accessible by foot or horse. |
| 2329 | High Lakes Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 05/25/2010: Closed by snow. |
| 2329.022 | Chain of Lakes | 10/16/2009: Closed |
| 24 | Peterson Prairie Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Open to Peterson Prairie. Use caution, there is still snow. |

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| 25 | Randle | 06/08/2010: Closed. Still snow blocked for several miles. Road maintenance is proceeding. |
| 26 | Quartz Creek/Ryan Lake Paved/Gravel - One Lane | 06/12/2010: Open snow free to 99 rd. |
| 28 | Pinto Gravel - One Lane | 06/12/2010: Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 29 | McCoy Creek Gravel - One Lane | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 2904 | Lambert Saddle | 5/25/2010: Open, high clearance |
| 30 | Wind River Hwy Paved / Gravel - Two Lanes | 05/11/2010: Road open. |
| 41 | Lookout Mountain Gravel - One Lane | 06/08/2010: Snow around 4000 feet. |
| 42 | East Fork (Cougar Rock) Gravel - One Lane | 06/08/2010: Snow around 4000 feet. Condition of road may limit use of low clearance vehicles. Motorists may damage their vehicles and/or get high centered and unable to drive themselves out. Repair work may begin next summer at Crater Creek and at the Green Fork Bridge, a detour route will be posted. |
| 4205 | East Fork spur | 06/08/2010: Snow above 4000 feet. |
| 43 | Trout Creek Gravel - One Lane | 05/27/2010: Snow above 3800 ft. |
| 45 | Cortright Creek | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 4510 | Soda Springs | 05/13/2009: Snow above |

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| | | 3500 feet |
| 46 | Lava Creek | 5/25/2010: Few slides, one large one, and a few trees across road. |
| 4612 | Bluff | 11/09/2009: Snow above 3000 feet Open to Bluff Lake trail head. |
| 47 | Willame Creek Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 06/12/2010: Access from the Randle side is closed at impassable slide. Packwood side closed by bridge dondemed. |
| 4710 | Skyo Road | 05/20/2009: No information on road conditions. Road cannot be accessed via 47 road due to bridge closure. |
| 4730 | Willame Lake | 11/17/2009: Snow above 3000 feet.. Accessible via the 84 road. |
| 48 | Hager Lake Road Gravel One Lane | 11/09/2009: Snow above 3000 feet |
| 51 | Curly Creek Road Paved - Two Lanes | 06/05/2010: Open. |
| 52 | Skate Creek Paved - Two Lanes | 5/1/2010: Open. |
| 5270 | Butter Creek | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 54 | Bare Mountain Paved /Gravel - 1&2 Lanes | 06/10/2010: Road closed at MP 32, all day. Engineering activities taking place. Snow at Soda Peaks. |
| 55 | Lone Tree | 06/12/2010: can get 7 miles off of the 23 rd. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 56 | Midway | 05/25/2010: Open |

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| | Gravel - One Lane | |
| 5603 | Spring Creek Gravel - One lane | 06/12/2010: Road clear to 2329 junction. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 57 | Siouxon Paved - Partially | 06/08/2010: Open. Trail has been partially maintained. May be snow above 4000 ft. |
| 5701 | Trailhead Access | 06/08/2010: Open. May be snow above 4000 ft. |
| 59 | Copper Creek | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 60 | Carson-Guler Road Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Open from Hwy 141 to Goose Lake. |
| 63 | Davis Creek/Purcell Mtn | 09/28/2009: Open. |
| 64 | Dry Creek Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Open, may be logging on the road. Snow above 3800 ft. |
| 65 | Panther Creek Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Open to the 4 corners. 60/65 junction. |
| 6507 | Outlaw | 05/27/2010: Snow above 3800 feet |
| 66 | Willard Road Paved /Gravel - 1&2 Lanes | 05/18/2010: Open from Willard to the 60 Rd. |
| 68 | Cedar Creek Gravel - One Lane | 05/27/2010: Open from the west to Grassy Knoll TH. |
| 6808 | Bear Creek Gravel - One Lane | 05/27/2010: Open to Grassy Knoll from the west. |
| 74 | Nisqually Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 11/09/2009: Not open for the season and not maintained. 4x4 high clearance only. Gated closed at Pleasant Valley from Memorial Day through Labor Day. |
| 7409 | Nisqually spur | 09/28/2009: Closed during |

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| | | repairs. Scheduled to open fall 2009. |
| 76 | Green Horn Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 77 | Polepatch | 5/25/2010: Open for about 13 miles, then snow. |
| 78 | Timonium Gravel - One Lane | 11/17/2009: Snow above 3000 feet. |
| 80 | Mt. Adams Recreation Paved - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Open to within 1 mile of the Morrison Creek Campground. |
| 8040 | South Climb Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Driveable past Wicky Creek Shelter. Parking is 4miles short of Cold Springs. Do not block the road when you park. |
| 81 | Merrill Lake Paved / Gravel - Two Lanes | 06/08/2010: Open. |
| 8123 | Blue Lake Trail Head Gravel - One Lane | 06/08/2010: Open. |
| 8100,830 | Climbers Bivouac Gravel - One Lane | 06/08/2010: Open to within 1/4 mile of the trailhead. For more information about climbing Mount St. Helens, see the climbing page . |
| 82 | Bird Creek Meadows Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Driveable to the Tract D boundary. |
| 83 | Lahar/Lava Canyon Paved - Two Lanes | 06/08/2010: Open to Lava Canyon and Ape Canyon Trailhead. |
| 8303 | Ape Cave Rd. | 06/08/2010: Open to Ape Cave parking lot. |

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| 8322 | Smith Creek Trail | 06/08/2010: Open. |
| 84 | Berry Creek | 06/12/2010: Can reach 8 miles. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 8440 | Toehead Gap | 05/25/2010: No current report. Snow level estimated to be between 3500-3800 feet. |
| 85 | Catt Creek Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 06/12/2010 Can reach 10 miles up the road snow level 3500- 3800 ft level. |
| 86 | Guler Mountain Road Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Open. |
| 88 | Big Tire Paved - One/Two Lanes | 06/05/2010: Open to the 90 Rd. |
| 8851 | Mosquito Lake Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 06/05/2010: Closed by snow. |
| 90 | Lewis River Hwy Paved - Two Lanes | 06/08/2010: Open to the 90/23 junction. |
| 93 | Spencer Butte Paved / Gravel - One Lane | 06/08/2010: Snow above 3500 feet. |
| 99 | Windy Ridge Paved - Two Lanes | 06/08/2010: Closed. Still snow blocked. A snow plow is slated to open one lane through this area this week. Forest Road99 above Forest Road 26 junction will need to wait until the snow depth recedes. |
| SR 504 | Spirit Lake Memorial Paved - Two Lanes | 06/08/2010: On the west side of Mount St. Helens, State Route 504 is open to Johnston Ridge Observatory |