

Ashland Hiking Group

Hike Schedule for November 2009

Leave from Safeway parking lot in Ashland at 9:00 am. Bring water, lunch, hat, and rain gear. TH = trailhead; EDT = estimated drive time; DIM = Dead Indian Memorial Road; PCT = Pacific Crest Trail. *100 Hikes = 100 Hikes in Southern Oregon*, 1st ed; page numbers different in 2nd ed.

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November 4: Fourmile Lake to Long Lake (p.116 in *100 Hikes*) New Hike

TH: Take DIM to Highway 140. Turn left towards Medford. Between Mileposts 36 and 35 turn right on FS 3661 for 5.7 miles to the Fourmile Lake Campground. Park at the official trailhead turnaround point.

Description: Enjoy a late fall walk along the lakes in the Sky Lakes Wilderness to a lunch spot on Long Lake. Good views of the lakes and Mt. McLoughlin. (Backup plan in case of snow is an out and back hike on the PCT from Highway 99 towards Pilot Rock.)

Distance 7 miles; climbing 700'. RT mileage 90 miles.

November 11: Sterling Mine Ditch Trail: Tunnel Ridge TH to Little Applegate TH (p. 138 in *100 Hikes*)

TH: Take Hwy 238 from Jacksonville 8 mi to Ruch; turn left 7 mi onto Upper Applegate Rd, then left 9.7 mi on Little Applegate Rd to Tunnel Ridge TH; EDT: 75 min

Description: Loop trail with good views of the Siskiyou to the south and coastal ranges to the west; starts out uphill, finishes downhill; return to cars via road

Distance: 8 miles; elev. gain: 2000 ft. RT mileage: 80 mi

November 18: Lost Creek Lake (west shore) (p. 78 in *100 Hikes*)

TH: Take Hwy 62 to Lost Creek Lake; just before the dam, turn left onto Takelma Rd at "Fish Hatchery" sign; drive to end of road and continue on gravel road to TH at the boat ramp, some 2-3 miles from Hwy 62; EDT: 75 min

Description: follow Lost Creek Lake trail to our usual lunch bench; return the same way

Distance: 7 mi; elev gain: about 1000 ft. RT mileage: 100 mi

November 25: Applegate Lake Loop (p. 142 in *100 Hikes*)

TH: Take Hwy 238 from Jacksonville area to Ruch (8 mi); take Upper Applegate Rd 15 mi to Applegate Dam; drive left across dam to French Gulch TH (1.2 mi); EDT: 60 min

Description: Make a loop on the Applegate Lake Trail system

Distance: 6.4 mi; elevation gain: about 500 ft. RT mileage: 80 mi