**July 24 Fireplace Camp Pack Out Trip Agenda**

**Overview**

Join fellow pack stock volunteers as we help the US Forest Service and the Pacific Northwest Trail Association improve the Boundary Trail in the Pasayten Wilderness.

**About the area**

The Pasayten Wilderness covers over 530,000 acres, with 150 peaks over 7500’ elevation, 160 or more bodies of water, and just as many waterways. Open plateaus in the east and rugged ridges in the west await users itching to “get out there”. Deer, moose, mountain goats, bighorn sheep and the largest population of lynx in the Lower 48 may be your companions. Fir, cedar, western hemlock in the west to fir, pine and larch in the east will provide you cover at times.

**What to Expect**

We will be working closely with you to make sure that the trip you are supporting is a good fit and a great experience. Providing pack support to our partners is critical to the success of maintaining trails. The work you would be doing is making a difference and is appreciated by all users.

**Trip Description**

The ride to the Fireplace Camp is 12 miles with 2200’ gain and 980’ elevation loss over moderately steep terrain. This is a gear pick out, so you will be going in empty.

**Driving directions**

From Loomis, continue north on the Loomis-Oroville Rd. Turn left on Toats Coulee Rd; follow Toats Coulee Rd up to the Toats Coulee Cr watershed. After approx. 5.5 miles on Toats Coulee Rd, you’ll make a slight right up a fork to remain on Toats Coulee Rd, heading up the N Fork of Toats Coulee Ck. (There’s a campground at the junction of the N Fork and S Fork Toats Coulee creeks.) Turn right up the Fourteen Mile Rd; stay on Fourteen Mile Rd, continuing up N Fork Toats Coulee Ck. Fourteen Mile Rd ends in an expansive clearing/ staging area below Goodenough Park.

**Schedule**

* July 24 Meet fellow stock packers at Disappointment Trailhead
* July 25 Ride up Goodenough Trail to Fireplace Camp and spend the night.
* July 26 Load the crew’s gear and head back to the trailhead

**What it Takes to Do This Trip**

* Have your animals legged up and ready for a day on trail.
* You will be expected to pack 40 - 60 lbs. a side on your pack animal. Some of this weight **might** be your personal gear. You will be contacted after being scheduled to finalize trip details.
* Packing in this country is challenging. There might be downed trees and changing weather conditions. Be prepared and ready for an adventure.

**What to bring**

* Personal camp gear
* Appropriate clothing for changing weather conditions. The Pasayten Wilderness is noted for extreme weather all season.
* Food to support yourself for the duration (plus little extra)
* Packer pallets for your stock…graze may be available situationally.
* Gear to manage your stock (highline, nosebag, fly spray, hobbles etc.)

If you have questions or concerns, please contact:

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