parking area and campground. first-served basis. Restrooms are available at the three moorage buoys available on a first-come, uine primitive walk-in and one marine campsites and bark's features. The park is open year round and has system and interpretive panels describing many of the the parking area). The park also includes a small trail mort əlim d.) bralsı sası O no dəpəd əilduq tsəgral toward the park. This 76-acre park contains the State Park. Signs at each intersection direct visitors toward Olga. It is about 4 miles to Obstruction Pass Follow the county road through Moran State Park Easy, 1.5 miles, 200 feet elevation loss/gain 15. OBSTRUCTION PASS STATE PARK

in Western Washington. winds through one of the largest lodgepole pine forests the Cascade Range to the east. The Little Summit trail fo swaiv trialleoxe drive anilegbin rado to alim 2. gnolp 2.2 miles to the tower. The last part of the trail goes summit of Mount Constitution directly, follow the signs the Olympic Mountains to the southwest. To reach the the Cascade Range, as well as several snowy peaks of easterly views of Mount Baker and Mount Rainier in hike .1 mile to Little Summit. There are spectacular the view from Little Summit, turn right off the trail and Summit parking area on your right. If you wish to see Drive up Mount Constitution road 3 miles to the Little Difficult, 2.2 miles, 430 feet elevation gain/loss

1149T TIMMUS 3JTTIJ .41 the trail intersection to Cold Springs.

summit, hike the ridgeline down 1.3 miles turning right at 1.5 miles to the Mount Constitution summit. From the the Mount Constitution Loop trail. Turn right and ascend Douglas fir, red cedar and hemlock to the junction with an old road. Continue through dense mixed stands of trail. Cross under the power lines and further on, across pine forest to the intersection with the West Boundary trail. Turn right. Hike 1 mile through the dense lodgepole Springs well to the intersection with the North Boundary Cold Springs trail, passing the shelter and the Cold Springs parking area on the left. Hike .5 mile on the Drive up Mount Constitution Road 3.5 miles to the Cold Challenging, 5 miles, 1,200 feet elevation gain

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13. NORTH BOUNDARY LOOP

the dam and hike a half mile along the lake to complete road to Mountain Lake Dam. Cross the footbridge below you arrive at an intersection. Turn right and follow the road for two miles passing four trails on your left until Mt. Pickett summit. Continue to walk downhill on the

Mt. Pickett trail and ascend 900 feet (1.5 miles) to the and Little (.4) Twin lakes. From Little Twin Lake take the Twin Lake. Optional loop trails lead you around Big (.6) for .8 mile. The trail then levels off then opens onto Big left at the Twin lakes trail sign and follow the creek uphill miles until it crosses over the creek on a footbridge. Turn to the boat launch. Take the Mountain Lake trail 1.2 Mountain Lake turnoff and parking area. Walk the road

Drive one mile up Mount Constitution Road to the

Easy to difficult, 7 miles, 900 feet elevation 12. MOUNT PICKETT LOOP

shelter (1.2 miles) completing the loop. trail on the right to reach the Mountain Lake picnic turn right toward Mountain Lake. Take the hikers-only Lakes trailhead. Descend 1.5 miles to Twin Lakes, then To continue the loop, cross the parking lot to the Twin the tower. Climb the tower stairs for a spectacular view. Constitution, turn right and follow the signs 2 miles to turn left and hike .3 mile. To reach the summit of Mount trail. If you wish to see the view from Little Summit, miles, you'll reach the junction with the Little Summit through Western hemlock and Douglas-fir. After 1.2 telephones were used. Heavily forested, the trail passes as a pathway for phone lines during the time crank Mountain Lake. Hike a short but steep trail that began This hike starts to the left of the picnic shelter at Difficult, 6.7 miles, 1,490 ft. elevation gain/loss

pald eagles and osprey. Constitution. Trout in this lake attract kingfishers, the lake, view the broad summit ridge of Mount the parking area and log cabin. As you hike around continue to the boat launch. Walk the road back to Twin Lakes trail. Turn left and cross the footbridge and to continue around the lake to the junction with the the dam and turn left. Take the next trail to your left

the south end of the lake and cross the bridge below

trailhead across from the log cabin. Follow the trail to

11. MOUNT CONSTITUTION LOOP

Mountain Lake turnoff and parking area. Start at the Drive up Mount Constitution Road 1 mile to the Easy, 3.9 miles with slight elevation gain and loss 10. MOUNTAIN LAKE LOOP

Creek Trail to the service road). Dam. (An alternate return route is down the Cascade road forks. Take the left fork .2 mile to Mountain Lake numerous trails intersecting the road. After 1.6 miles, the vehicles but is good for beginning bikers. You will notice the service road behind the gate. This road is closed to Cascade Falls trailhead parking on the right. Follow Drive up Mount Constitution Road. 4 mile to the

Challenging, 1.8 miles, 420 feet elevation gain 9. CASCADE FALLS TO MOUNTAIN LAKE DAM

spectacular in spring and early summer. and is a more gentle descent. The falls are most The right trail takes you to the Cascade Falls viewpoint you can then turn right and continue to Cascade Falls. more rugged left trail goes down to Rustic Falls where The trailhead divides into two trails. The steeper and Cascade Falls parking area and trailhead on the right. Drive up Mount Constitution Road about 4. The June House of the

8. CASCADE FALLS TRAIL

Easy, .25 mile, 130 ft. elevation loss

trails on your right return to the service road. Boundary trails. From the Southeast Boundary trails, all the right of the service road descend to the Southeast of Mt. Pickett, continue another .75 mile. All trails to closed to bicycles May 15-Sept. 15. To reach the summit miles to a gate and kiosk. Beyond this point, the road is Pickett service road. The service road continues 2.3 South Boundary trail until it intersects with the Mount on Olga Road, just outside the south arch. Follow the

to mountain bikes year round Easy to challenging, 4-8 miles, most trails open

Access the Southeast Boundary trail from the trailhead

7. SOUTHEAST BOUNDARY LOOP TRAILS

Cascade Lake and its surrounding scenery. trail. The breathtaking view from Sunrise Rock includes next junction to climb the short-but-steep Sunrise Rock follow the sign left to Cascade Falls. Turn right at the

restrooms. Start uphill and at the first intersection paved road. The trailhead is just past the campground the right across from the horse trailer parking. Walk the Follow the signs to the South End Campground, park on

Challenging, .7 miles, 300 feet elevation gain 6. SUNRISE ROCK

Cabin and parking area.

the shoreline for about .5 miles to the Mountain Lake left over the stream on the bridge below the dam. Follow upstream until you reach Mountain Lake Dam. Cross over Hidden Falls on a log foot bridge. Follow the trail to the top of the next hill. The Creek Trail crosses left road to Mount Pickett, turn right following the road it continues upstream. When the trail joins the service is high. A hiker-only trail passes several smaller falls as up to Cascade Falls, most impressive when the water concrete bridge and arch. From here it is a short hike steer right and cross the county road just before the south boundary of the park. At the paved county road, This trail passes through old-growth forest along the tirst intersection, tollow the sign left to Cascade Falls. the campground restrooms. Start uphill and at the Walk the paved road and find the trailhead just past park on the right across from the horse trailer parking. Follow signs toward the South End Campground and

420 feet elevation gain Falls to Mountain Lake picnic shelter, 1.9 miles, Falls 1.1 miles, 150 feet elevation gain; Cascade Easy to challenging, Cascade Lake to Cascade

5. CASCADE CREEK TRAIL

Falls parking area. Follow the signs downhill to the falls. here). Cross Mount Constitution Road to the Cascade primitive camp area on your right (restrooms available the next trail to the left and continue on, passing the Midway Campground and turn right on the road. Take day-use area. Follow the trail to the service road above the road from the swim beach at the Cascade Lake The trailhead starts to the right of the restrooms across

Easy, 1.5 miles, 200 feet elevation gain

4. CASCADE LAKE TO CASCADE FALLS

STATE PARK (CONTINUED) **NAROM 40 SJIART**

food and garbage out of their reach. cause them or yourself serious harm. Store Feeding wildlife is not permitted and can

fee is charged for the second vehicle. included in the camping fee, while an extra allowed at each site. The first vehicle is campsite. A maximum of two vehicles are Eight people are permitted to stay at each

available at each site. Fires are permitted in fire pits, which are

.Camping is allowed only in authorized areas. check-out time is 1 p.m. • Camping check-in time is 2:30 p.m., and

through May 14. a first-come, first-served basis from Sept. 16 May 15 and Sept. 15. Sites are available on Campsite reservations are advised between

CAMPING INFORMATION A

interpretive events.

- Visit our online calendar for park and
- 800-84-FERRY, or visit wsdot.wa.gov/ferries. • For ferry schedule and fares, call

bike or ride on established trails only. yield to hikers and all to yield to horses. Hike, Proper trail etiquette calls for bicyclists to

- Fishing rules are posted at boat launches. combustion engines are not allowed. permitted on the lakes, but internal
 - Boats with electric trolling motors are
- The park is a game refuge. Hunting is not feet and under control at all times. Pets must be on a leash no longer than 8
- minutes after sunset. Day-use areas, including trails, close 30

March 31. Quiet hours are 10 p.m. to 6:30 Sept. 30 and 8 a.m. to dusk from Oct. 1 to

Park hours are 8 a.m. to dusk from April 1 to

THINGS TO REMEMBER

.1078-864 (888) Information Bureau at Juan Islands Visitor com; or call the San orcasislandchamber. their website at www. (360) 376-2273 or visit of Commerce at Orcas Island Chamber information, call the each year. For more

fairs and celebrations residents stage many activities. Island are other possible horseback riding watching, golf and

a small plane. Sea kayak tours, whale hills, go scuba diving or take a scenic flight in scenery. Charter a boat, bicycle the rolling tour main islands to explore villages and lush bald eagles. Travelers may take ferries to the home to a large year-round population of harbor seals and puffin. The islands also are pod of Orca whales or porpoises, sea lions, through September, you can try to spot a scenery from the ferry and, from May for fun things to do. You can take in gorgeous Visitors to the San Juans are never lacking

Jones, Matia, Patos, Posey, Stuart, Sucia and are on Blind, Burroughs, Clark, Doe, James, accessible only by private or chartered boat, barks available for camping. These parks, Several other small islands have state marine best known for whale watching from shore. Juan Island, which is open for day use and is available; and Lime Kiln Point on San Spencer Spit on Lopez Island, where camping largest public saltwater beach on the island; on Orcas, which has campsites and the three other state parks: Obstruction Pass Juan islands. The San Juans are home to Juans, which include Lopez, Shaw and San Orcas Island is the largest island in the San

WHILE YOU'RE ON THE ISLANDS

The Mount Pickett Natural Area Preserve in

WASHINGTON STATE PARKS





WELCOME TO MORAN STATE PARK

Float, drive and hike one of the most beautiful spots in the Pacific Northwest - Moran State Park on Orcas Island in the San Juan Islands. Start with a scenic ferry ride from Anacortes, north of Seattle. Go ashore at Orcas Island and enjoy lush forests, lovely hills and farmlands as you head to Moran State Park. Once settled in at a campsite, explore the quaint hamlets of Deer Harbor, Olga, Orcas and Westsound; visit the island's commercial center, Eastsound Village; or get right to enjoying the many activities offered at Moran State Park.

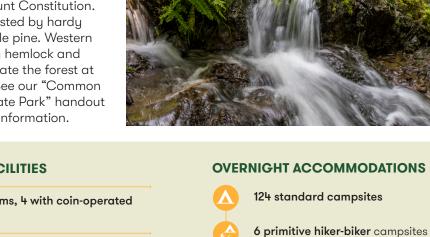
Hikers can enjoy more than 30 miles of trails, from gentle forest loops to challenging ascents. The park has wildlife, mountain and water views and activities, including camping, picnicking, bicycling, hiking, fishing and boating. For a challenging hike, scale Mount Constitution, which has a 2,409-foot



summit – the highest point in the San Juans. Climb the castle-like tower at the summit and see the Cascade and Olympic mountain ranges. Take in views of Mount Baker and Mount Rainier in the distance. Below you, spread across the waters of the Salish Sea, you'll see the forested San Juan Islands and Canada's Gulf Islands and Vancouver Island.

FLORA AND FAUNA

Blacktail deer, river otters, mink and raccoons are common in the park. Bald eagles, kingfishers and great blue herons can be seen year round. In the winter, trumpeter swans and ducks are found on Cascade Lake. Several types of lilies, asters, stonecrop and grasses are found in the exposed balds (fields) on the south flank of Mount Constitution. The summit is forested by hardy stands of lodgepole pine. Western redcedar, Western hemlock and Douglas-fir dominate the forest at lower elevations. See our "Common Trees at Moran State Park" handout for more detailed information.



AMENITIES + FACILITIES

8 restrooms, 4 with coin-operated showers

38 miles of trail

Freshwater fishing at Cascade and Mountain lakes. Both lakes stocked with trout. Cascade Lake also stocked with Kokanee fry.

Park store with ice cream, espresso and sandwiches

Picnic tables in the day-use area, available first come, first served

5 kitchen shelters, one reservable shelter on the shores of Cascade Lake

2 watercraft launches. Boat, kayak, canoe and paddle board rentals.

Swimming beach

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS



124 standard campsites





CAMP MORAN RETREAT CENTER The camp sleeps 144 guests in heated

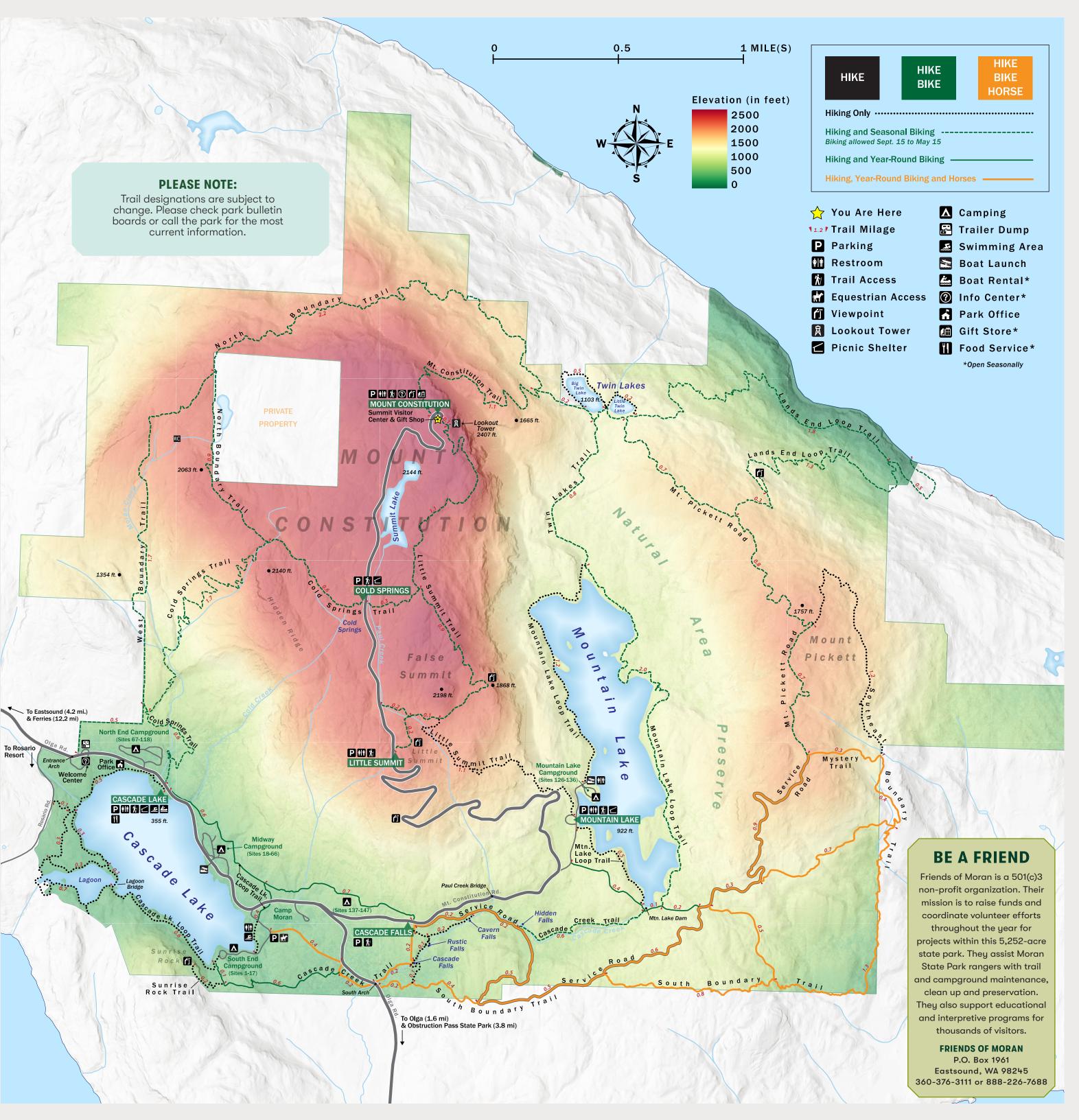
cabins with showers. Cabins are near a propane-heated rustic lodge that's complete with a wood-burning stove and a fully equipped, commercial-size kitchen. The lodge is also available as a day-use rental. The camp has an outdoor amphitheater with a fire circle and a volleyball and basketball area. This area is located near the Cascade Lake day-use beach at Southend. Camp Moran is available to rent year round.



A PRECIOUS PRESERVE

the eastern section of the park is the central portion of the largest contiguous tract of naturally propagated, unlogged forest remaining in the Puget Sound Trough; access is open only to organized educational or scientific research programs. Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission and the state Department of Natural Resources' Natural Heritage Council have designated such areas to preserve rare or vanishing flora and fauna as well as geological, natural, historical or similar features of scientific or educational value. Park trails run along the perimeter of the Mount Pickett Natural Area Preserve, but entry to the area is allowed only by permission of the park manager. Off-trail activities are not permitted





Wilderness Adventures:

TRAILS OF MORAN STATE PARK

The park has more than 38 miles of foot trails, most built by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in the 1930s. They range from a fairly level 2.7-mile walk around Cascade Lake to the more demanding climb from Cascade Lake, at 351 feet, to the summit of Mount Constitution, at 2,409 feet – a gain of 2,058 feet in 4.3 miles.

Following are brief descriptions of some of the park's more popular trails. Trail mileages are one-way unless the trail is designated as a loop. Trail ratings for hikers and bicyclists are:

- Easy (flat terrain, gentle hills)
- Challenging (moderate to strenuous)
- Difficult (dramatic elevation gains)

The ratings are based on overall trail conditions, and some sections may be more difficult than others. Hikers may enjoy all trails with a minimum of equipment: sturdy shoes, a jacket for possible rain, snacks and water. Caution: Creek and lake water may contain harmful bacteria.

Hikers, note: Hikers are advised to carry plenty of drinking water because there is no potable water at most trailheads. Water is available at the park office year round and in campgrounds during summer.

Bikers, note: Bicycles are restricted on some park trails. Check the map to the left and park bulletin boards to learn where and when bikes are permitted. Cyclists may not push or carry bicycles on trails listed as closed to bikes.

Equestrians, note: Horseback riding is restricted on most park trails. Check the map to the left and park bulletin boards to learn where and when horses are permitted. Parking for horse trailers is limited to an area near the Southend beach (the beach is now open to the public). Owners must clean up after their horses in parking areas, on roads and at trailheads. Check for current information at the park office. Horses are not permitted in any camping or day-use areas. Please keep them out of lakes and streams.

1. WEST BOUNDARY LOOP

Difficult, 5.6 miles, 1,620 feet elevation gain

The trail begins to the left of the picnic shelter across from the road from the Cascade Lake day-use area. After .5 mile at a sharp switchback go left on the West Boundary Trail. Climb up the short, steep trail to a service road and go right. This road climbs steeply under power lines for 1.7 miles to the junction with the North Boundary Loop trail. Turn right and hike 1 mile through the dense lodgepole pine forest to the junction with the Cold Springs Trail. Turn right and descend 2.4 miles back to Cascade Lake. Hikers should use caution on the steep uphill West Boundary portion of the trail as it is heavily used by downhill, free-ride bicyclists.

2. CASCADE LAKE LOOP

Easy, 2.7 miles, slight elevation gain and loss

Start at the Cascade Lake day-use area, follow the trail counterclockwise. After about .75 mile cross over the bridge that spans Cascade Lagoon. Continue left along the lake another .75 mile to the South End Campground. Follow the road through the campground and pick up the trail again near campsite #1. Cross the road above Camp Moran beach following the Cascade Lake Loop sign. You will cross Olga Road, go uphill, and turn left at the Cascade Lake sign to reach the day-use area.

3. COLD SPRINGS TRAIL (CASCADE LAKE TO MOUNT CONSTITUTION)

Difficult, 4.3 miles, 2,058 feet elevation gain

Start at Cascade Lake, across the county road from the day-use area. Take the trailhead to the left of the picnic shelter, passing by an interpretive exhibit that describes the powerful windstorm that hit the park in 1972. The trail switches back up steep slopes toward Cold Springs. At the top of the switchbacks (approximately 2.3 miles) you come to the junction with the North Boundary Loop trail; continue straight ahead to the Cold Springs shelter. From the Cold Springs shelter, cross Mount Constitution Road and follow the trail .3 mile to the intersection with the Little Summit Trail. Turn left and continue 1 mile to the stone tower at the summit of Mount Constitution.

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