

Photos of Sugarloaf Mountain Hike
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

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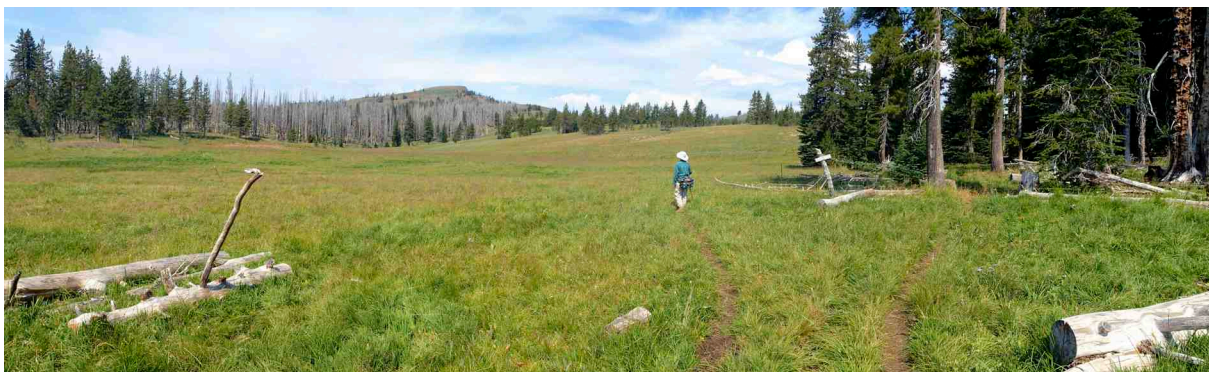
Leaving the Deadman Trailhead (center), the trail skirts a wet meadow, beneath sheer granite bluffs.



Climbing above the bluffs, the trail passes through a "ghost forest," left from the 1995 Twin Lakes Burn.



For the next mile, the trail ascends Lake Fork Creek, past granite ridges and wet wildflower meadows.



From a trail junction at 1.7 miles, the route ahead is first seen, up the southeast ridge of Sugarloaf Mtn.



Climbing cross-country up the southeast ridge, the easiest route is to the right of the fire-killed trees.



Approaching treeline at 3.0 miles, the first views are north to the headwater peaks of the Imnaha River.



At the summit of Sugarloaf Mountain, one has panoramic vistas west to Granite and Red Mountains...



...and views north to the High Wallows, Aneroid Mountain and the long Imnaha Divide (right center).