

Photos of Wilderness Overlook Hike
Umatilla National Forest - North Fork John Day District

July 10, 2013



Trail 3042 starts west from an unsigned pullout at Moon Meadow, then crosses a small creek.



For the first half mile, the faint trail winds in and out of the trees along the north edge of the meadow.



At 0.9 miles, the now well-defined trail crosses a small stream in a verdant pocket meadow.



At 1.2 miles, Trail 3042 meets Trail 3019 and one turns right (north) at the unsigned junction.



Just past the trail junction, sweeping views begin to open up over the North Fork John Day Wilderness.



Never having been logged, the hillside forests here feature mature pine and fir trees.



A pure stand of Western Larch, Oregon's only deciduous conifer, is also found along the trail.



From 2.0 to 2.5 miles, one finds wide views over the wilderness, plus blooming snowbrush in early July.