

**Photos of Fish Creek Hike**  
Burns BLM District

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The hike begins at a small reservoir in the swale of Rock Creek, at the “Wilderness Boundary” sign.



The first mile is easy walking on cattle trails following the grassy swale...



...and through thick juniper trees lining the dry stony bed of Rock Creek.



The final quarter-mile is a steep scramble, where Rock Creek cuts down through the rim to Fish Creek.



Once at streamside, Fish Creek is a verdant oasis of cottonwoods, aspens and willows...



...but the canyon sides are so steep and brushy that hiking is difficult.



By late summer, the best (and coolest) option is simply to hike up the stream itself...



...and find a shady spot to rest, have lunch and spend a few tranquil hours.