

Photos of Pike Creek Trail
Burns BLM District

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Pike Creek has cut a deep canyon east through the foothills in front of the High Steens escarpment.



The access road gets more rugged the further one drives, so one should stop wherever comfortable.



To begin the hike, one needs to cross the creek and find the old mining road up the southwest side.



For the first mile, the hike follows the mining road as it winds into the canyon above Pike Creek.



The road soon meets and crosses the creek at the mine (on hillside at left), becoming a single-track trail.



The trail then climbs out of the streambed, with wonderful views of rock ridges and the canyon headwall.



The trail in the upper canyon has been recently rebuilt and is easy hiking.



After 2.5 miles the trail ends, but intrepid explorers can continue to Pike Knob (the red tower at center).