Photos of Grand Coulee Overlook Hike
Washington State Parks & Spokane BLM District

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The hike starts at the Caribou Trailhead and follows an old road behind a white road barrier to the south.

For the first half mile, the route gradually climbs toward the rim, on the bed of the old stagecoach road.

At 0.6 miles, the roadbed passes through a wire gate, leaving State Park land and entering BLM land.

Past the gate, the route is cross-country up the coulee floor through grasslands and Spring wildflowers.
Once on top, the route follows a jeep track and cow trails within a shallow coulee with wet meadows.

A hundred yards from the overlook, one passes a perfectly round pothole lake bounded by fencing.

At 3.2 miles, one reaches the rim and panoramic views of Dry Falls, Umatilla Rock and Grand Coulee.

To the east are dramatic views of Deep Lake and the 300'-high, vertical basalt walls of Grand Coulee.