

Note: to protect the falcons, the trail is closed annually between about mile 4 to the Cape Horn Rd. during Feb. 1 – July 15.

Cape Horn

7 miles total, 1,200' gained

Park at the Park and Ride lot at the junction of Hwy. 14 and Salmon Falls Rd.

Walk across Salmon Falls Rd., immediately picking up the trail. Proceed slightly to the right; the trail/tunnel on the left is the return loop.

Continue on uphill for less than 1 ½ miles – staying slightly left at any junctions - to the first significant viewpoint; a couple more follow.

Descend through the woods. Briefly walk on an access road; stay left after a short distance.

At about 2 miles from starting, cross the paved road; proceed down another access road a short distance.

At about 2 ½ miles is the Nancy Russell Overlook (a common turnaround point for when the trail is closed). A long, mostly downhill grade follows, continuing through another tunnel, several switchbacks, and finally to the bluffs and viewpoints above the Columbia River.

At about 5 miles is the waterfall. Cross the bridge and continue along above the river.

Step onto the paved road, heading left. After the 1 ¼ mile grind up the road, look for the tunnel entrance on the left just before Hwy. 14. Go through the tunnel, then right, crossing Salmon Falls Rd. to reach the Park and Ride lot.

