

Trapper Creek loop

14 miles total, 3,100' gained

Park in the lot at the end of Rd. 5401. Almost immediately upon leaving the trailhead, there is a junction with #194. Stay left, on #192.

After less than a mile, stay straight ahead on #192 at the junction with #132 (#132 is the return). Continue going straight at these subsequent junctions - #133 (Soda Peaks Lake), #195, #209 (Cut-off) and #198 - staying on #192 the whole time.

After about 4 miles from the TH the trail tilts up sharply. Carry on for this steep couple miles until reaching a gradual uphill grind through the forest.

At about 7 miles from the TH, look for the signed #132B/129B – cutoff. Go right here (Note: seems this trail goes by both 132B and 129B). *If you miss #132B/129B you will still intersect with the desired #132.*

After about ½ mile on #132B/129B, go right at the junction with #132.

Almost immediately go right again, on #132A, the ½ mile route to the top of Observation Pk.

For the return, retrace back down #132A to the junction with #132. Go right.

#132 is about a 5 mile descent to the junction with #192 that was passed earlier.

Go left at this junction and walk the last ¾ mile or so to the lot.

(Note: there may be an alternative TH in the Mineral Springs campground that shortens the hike by a mile or more).

