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Surprise Lake

Topic: Surprise Lake

Author: Robert Koscik

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Last Posted: 12/9/2006; 7:52:20 AM

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Robert Koscik : 12/8/2006; 9:21:10 AM

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Does anyone have any info on the location of the former trail to the lake?
Does it even exist any more?

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Re: Surprise Lake

Karl Helser : 12/8/2006; 11:58:38 AM

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Which one...? I believe there's three in the Clackamas district.

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Rob Williams : 12/9/2006; 6:52:20 AM

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I think Karl is correct, there is more than one Surprise lake. I've been to the one that is near Si and Fish Lakes, and I think the reason they call it Surprise lake is because it is surprising it is still considered a lake.....It was more of a bog than a lake. Si and Fish lakes are nice lakes however.

This was on trail 717, and I hiked in from the 4690 120 spur, and only hiked to Fish Lake, not beyond. Nice lake, however. Si lake is very small and shallow, but pretty. I even took my parents on this hike, since it was only a mile or so from the 120 spur to Fish lake, and pretty level.

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Re: Surprise Lake

Robert Koscik : 12/11/2006; 9:25:47 AM

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I'm referring to the one near Ripplebrook....

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Re: Surprise Lake**Robert Kosciak** : 12/12/2006; 6:57:29 AMReads: 69, Responses: 0 ([↩ view responses to this item](#))

"Does anyone have any info on the location of the former trail to the lake? Does it even exist any more?"

Well I guess nobody's been pokin' around over there. I'll try to get out in the next few weeks and I'll let you guys know what I found if yer interested...

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Near the Indian Henry Campground? I just did a search on TopoZone.com and it doesn't show any trails leading to it.

I'll be interested to see what you find out...

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