

Clackamas River Ranger District

Estacada Ranger Station 595 NW Industrial Way Estacada, OR 97023 (503) 630-6861 or 630-8700 Ripplebrook Guard Station 61431 E Hwy 224 Estacada, OR 97023

HUXLEY LAKE TRAIL # 521

Recommended Season: May to November

2480' to 3960'

Length: Elevation:

3.5 miles

Use:

Light

Difficulty:

More difficult

USGS Map: Fish Creek Mtn.

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Description:

The trailhead to Huxley Lake can be reached at the old Lookout Springs Campground just south of Road 4610. It also is accessible from the end of Road 4611. The trail is approximately 3.5 miles in length and is very steep with an average grade of 15-25%. Huxley Lake itself is small and shallow with no fishing. You will see magnificent Alder and Maple trees here. There are some marshy areas near the lake, but you can still find adequate areas to camp at.

Trail Access:

<u>Via Forest Road 4610</u>: To reach Huxley Lake trailhead travel south from Estacada on Hwy. 224 for 7 miles turning left on Road 4610 (just before Promontory State Park). Travel on Road 4610 for 12.5 miles to Lookout Springs Campground and the trailhead. The elevation starting here is 4000 feet.

<u>Via Forest Road 4610</u>: Travel on Road 4610 for 6.5 miles and turn right onto Road 4611. Follow 4611 for 6 miles to the end of the road. This road will become rough a couple of miles before you reach the trailhead, but it is driveable as long as your car or truck has fair clearance. The elevation starting here is 2400 feet.

Trail Mileage Log: (Distance is from Lookout Springs).

- 0.0 Lookout Springs Campground.
- 0.6 Huxley Lake Trail # 521 begins 0.5 mile down the Corral Springs Trail # 507 from Lookout Springs Campground. This is a very pretty area with rhodies, huckleberries, ferns and large moss-covered firs...
- 1.8 Trail meets the end of an old dirt road. There is a nice camping area here which offers a fire pit, some log stools and a clearing for a tent.
- 2.6 Spur trail on left (approximately 0.2 mile in length), ending at Huxley Lake.
- 3.3 Meadow site of an old cabin.
- 3.5 Road 4611.

