

NACHES LOOP and DEWEY LAKE HIKE

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EVENT INFORMATION

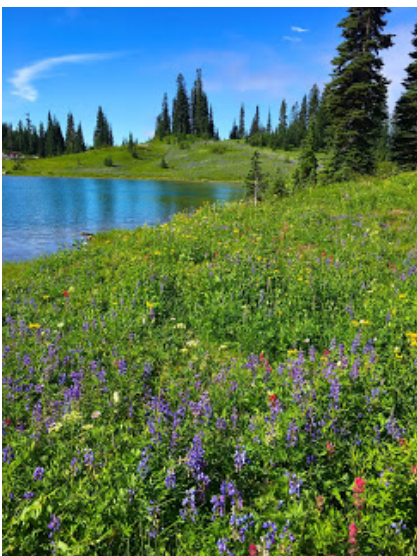
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This hike is perfect for newcomers to the mountain environment and for those who like a bit more challenge, as well. Very little elevation change (700 feet) if you do the short version (7K). If you include the trip down to Dewey Lakes, you lose and regain 900 feet and add about 4K (for a total of 11K). Enjoy beautiful trails, gorgeous wild flowers and amazing views of Mt. Rainier all along the return. **Remember, you're in the mountains (trail starts at 5400 feet), so be prepared for changing weather conditions. Carry extra clothes, snacks and water). Sunscreen, a hat and bug repellent are good ideas.** Please check current weather and trail information: **Mount Rainier National Park** website link <http://www.nps.gov/mora>.



Mount Rainier from the west flank of Naches Peak on the Naches Loop Trail.

Dewey Lake from the viewpoint.



Wildflowers on the Naches Loop West flank.

Four Plus Foolhardy Folks
Naches Loop and Dewey Lake Y2050, Rated 3C, 11Km, 7Km
Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) and Mt Rainier National Park
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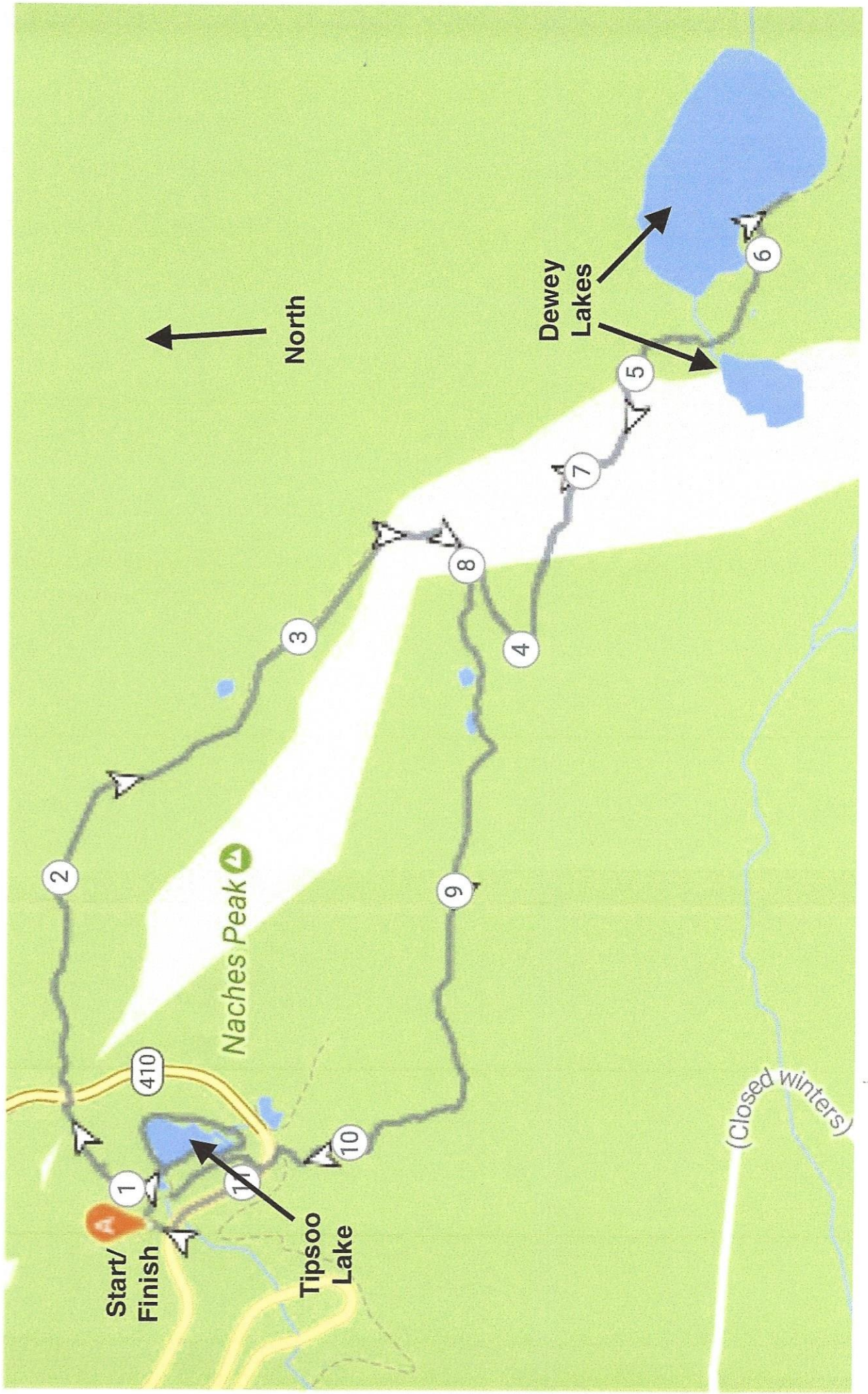
Driving Directions: National Parks Pass, Golden Eagle Pass or a USFS Northwest Forest Pass per car required for parking, available at the Enumclaw Ranger Station. From Enumclaw drive east on SR410 (Chinook Pass Highway) toward Chinook Pass (44 miles). Park at the Tipsoo Lake Parking area 0.3 miles **before** the summit on **Left**. From Yakima drive west on US12 and SR410 (66 miles) crossing Chinook Pass 0.3miles to the Tipsoo Lake Parking area on **Right**. **The only restroom is here. GPS: 46.86976 -121.52027**

1. From the Tipsoo Lake parking lot (5000'), facing away from highway, take the trail from the NE (upper left) corner of the parking lot down to Tipsoo Lake and **walk clockwise** all the way around the lake to the "Y" intersection near the parking lot.
2. **Right at the "Y"** up the hill through the trees on the Naches Loop Trail to the PCT junction at the pass summit 5400'.
3. **Right** onto the PCT. **Left** and cross over the Chinook Pass highway on the footbridge to the trail junction.
4. **Straight** on the PCT around the northern flank of Naches Peak.
You leave Mt. Rainier National Park and enter the William O. Douglas Wilderness in Yakima County.
5. **Continue** ascending on the PCT with views opening up to a small pass overlooking Dewey Lake. Enjoy the view.
6. **Continue** a short distance past this viewpoint re-entering Mt. Rainier National Park, at a "T" junction with the Naches Loop Trail.
7. **7KM route:** To complete the 7 Km route, **turn right** on the Naches Loop Trail and go to #13.
8. **11Km Continues: Left** on the downhill PCT trail to Dewey Lakes wilderness area. A short ways down there's a Permit box on the left. Fill out a permit for your party (no fee).
9. The trail works its way on open slopes with loose rock, then switchbacks through a thick stand of trees before opening out. You will cross several boardwalks above fragile vegetation.
10. At the sign describing "does and don'ts" for camping **continue** along the lake on the main trail, keeping the lake on your left. Find a good spot for lunch and rest a while. Some good photo opportunities.
11. **Turn around** and retrace your steps uphill to the Naches Loop Trail Junction. (6000')
12. **Straight** on the Naches Loop Trail.
13. **7Km joins: Continue** on the Naches Loop Trail. You will be traversing the western side of Naches Peak with great views of Mount Rainier (if weather cooperates) and by a small tarn (seep).
14. **Left** at the trail junction above SR410 down to the highway.
15. **Carefully** cross over SR410.
16. **Left** along the sidewalk to its end and **right** through the guard rail onto the trail.
17. **Left** on the trail back up to the parking lot and the finish.

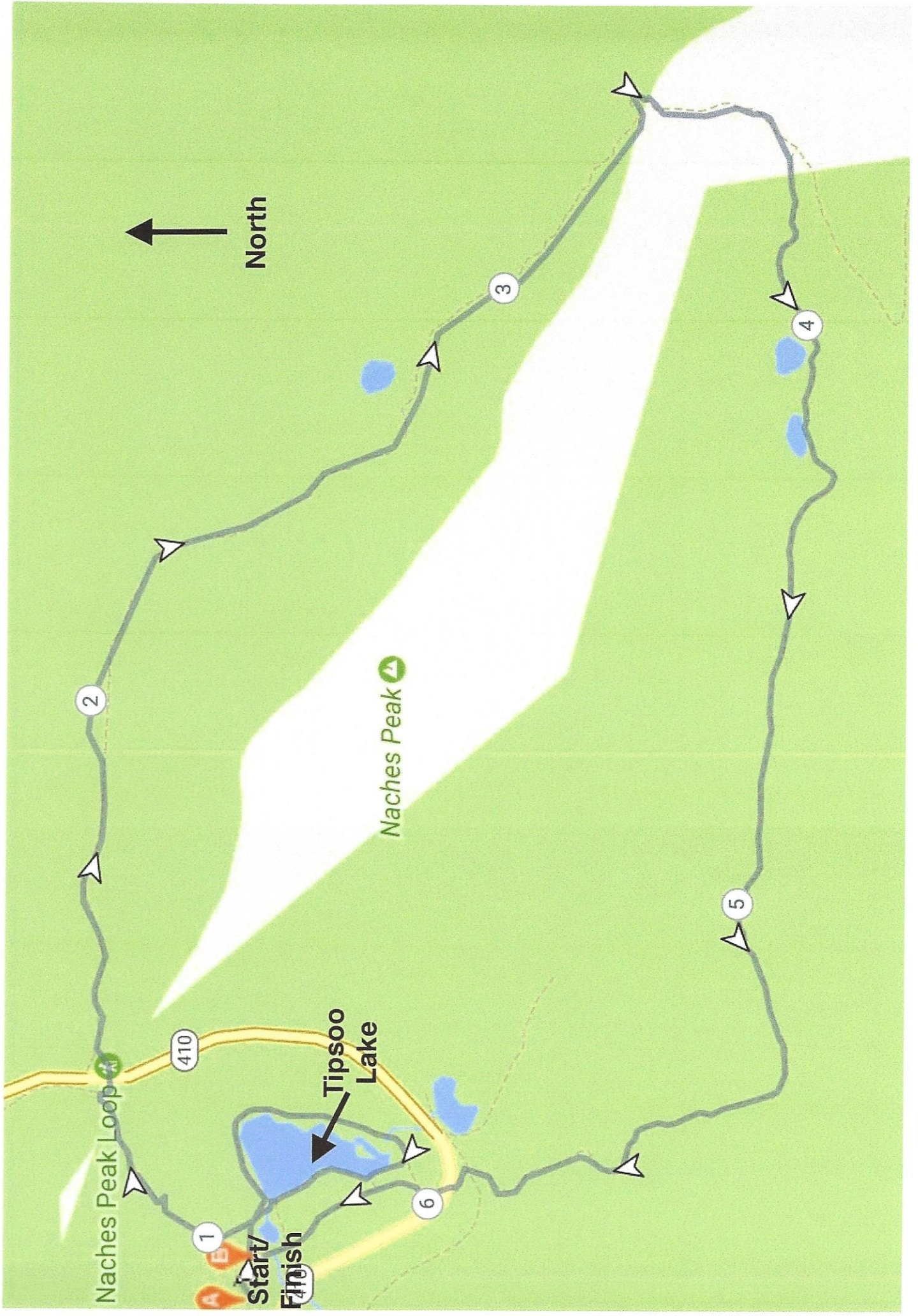
Emergency 911 will work the closer you are to SR410. Check current weather conditions – see Information page. POC – Nancy Wittenberg, 253-208-1331(c)

These maps and directions may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

plotaroute.com - Naches 11K Route (11.310 km)



plotaroute.com - Naches 6K Route (6.343 km)



AWARD



If you have registered through the Online Start Box for credit and would like a 100% embroidered Patch, designed by Dorman Batson, send \$4.50 (check payable to Fourplus Foolhardy Folks) to the POC, Nancy Wittenberg:

**Nancy Wittenberg
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Four Plus Foolhardy Folks Information

Please check out the club's website for more information about Four Folks Foolhardy Folks Volkssport club and its events:

www.fourplushikers.weebly.com

Four Plus has the following additional Seasonal Events (July 1 to September 30) and Hawaii Year Rounds that you can register for remotely by email or US Mail. The Naches Loop trail is the only one that uses the Online Start Box.

Washington State Seasonal Events:

Skyline Trail – Mount Rainier
Sherman Loop Trail South -- Republic
Sherman Pass (Kettle Crest) Trail North – Republic

Wyoming Seasonal Events

Yellowstone National Park:

Fairy Falls/Imperial Geyser
Mt. Washburn

Grand Teton National Park:

Jenny Lake/Cascade Canyon
Two Ocean Lake

Montana Seasonal Events (New for 2018)

Glacier National Park:

West Glacier – Highline Trail
East Glacier – Grinnel Glacier Trail

Maui – Hawaii – Year Round events

Haleakala Crater – Sliding Sands Trail
Lahaina City – Historic Whaling Port
Hana – Kuloa Loop
Kehei – Cape Hanamanoia Lava Flow – Kings Highway

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL HIKES

WASHINGTON:

- 1. Chinook Pass – Sheep Lake and Sourdough Gap - Y2763**
- 2. Mt. Rainier National Park -- Naches Loop and Dewey Lakes - Y2050**
- 3. North Bonneville – Gillette Lake - Y2294**
- 4. Snoqualmie Pass – Kendall Katwalk - Y0786**
- 5. Snoqualmie Pass – Lodge Lake and Mirror Lake - Y3183**
- 6. Stevens Pass – Lake Valhalla - Y3182**
- 7. Stevens Pass – Josephine Lake - Y3184**
- 8. White Pass – North Four Lakes – Y3190**
- 9. White Pass – South Ginnette and Shoe Lakes – Y3191**

OREGON:

- 10. Cascade Locks – Herman Creek Pinnacles - Y1677**
- 11. Eugene, OR – Willamette Pass Rosary Lakes – Y2465**
- 12. Government Camp – Timothy Lake – Y1514**
- 13. McKenzie Pass – Belknap Craters – Y3246**
- 14. Wapinitia Pass – North Twin Lakes – Y3230**
- 15. Sisters, OR – McKenzie Pass Matthieu Lakes – Y2435**
- 16. Willamette Pass – South - Three Lakes – Y3240**

CALIFORNIA:

- 17. Carson Pass – Overviews & Frog Lake -- Y0880**
- 18. Donner Pass – Y1038**
- 19. Round Valley – Castle Valley & Views - Y0983**
- 20. Whitewater – River Trail – Year-round - Y0975**