

Instruction for Crater Lake, OR 6/11km Walks

Walk Start Location: Rim Village Visitor Center

Parking: Use the Rim Village Visitor Center parking area. **Restrooms** available at Rim Village Visitor Center.

Driving Directions: See attached national parks information sheet with a map driving directions and GPS navigational tips. Phone coverage is spotty in the park.

General Information: The 6 km walk will start at the Rim Village Visitor Center and walk along the rim of Crater Lake on the Discovery Point Trail to Discovery Point then return back to the start of the Garfield Peak trail before returning to the Visitor Center. The 6 km route is rated 2B. For those doing the 11 km route, walkers will complete the 6 km route then walk to Garfield Peak. This 5 km portion of the walk is rated 4D as the trail is steep, narrow and has loose gravel and very uneven footing. The side of the trail is a drop off and there is no guard rail. The US Park Service rates the Garfield Peak Trail as Strenuous. Great views along the Discovery Point Trail and on top of Garfield Peak.

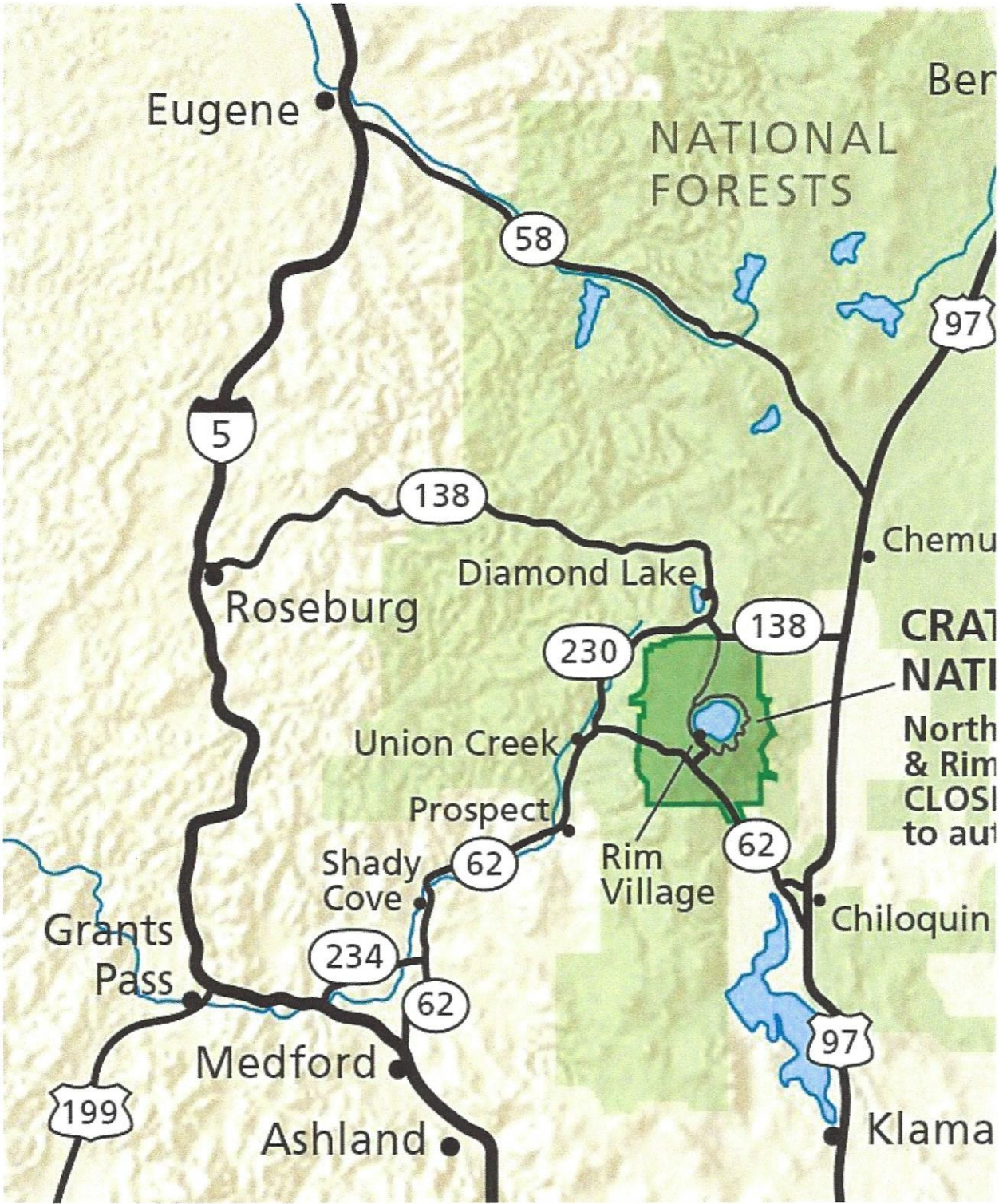
If snow conditions block either of the trails (frequently until mid July) there will be a 2.5 km trail that will be on pavement in the Rim Village area with views of Crater Lake and Wizard Island

Park entrance fees in 2020 are \$30 per vehicle (car). Golden Age Passes and America the Beautiful Senior Passes allow free admittance. Must show pass and photo ID.

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Walk Completion and Credit: Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.)

Directions



Arriving by Car

Things to Know

- Cell reception in the park and surrounding areas is limited. Be sure to carry a map or GPS.
- The park does not have a physical street address, so it can be hard to locate us using GPS. Try entering "Crater Lake" or "Rim Village" as a town or waypoint, or entering the coordinates for Park Headquarters, which is 3 miles south of Rim Village:

42° 53' 48.91" North
122° 08' 03.08" West

- Be aware that the park's North Entrance is closed for about 7 months each year. It closes November 1 (or earlier, if there is significant snowfall). It opens sometime between mid-May and late June. Check the status on our **current conditions** page. The park's South Entrance and West Entrance are open year-round.
- Unleaded gas is available seasonally at the **Mazama Village Store**. The rest of the year, the closest gas stations are in the towns of Prospect (33 miles west of Park Headquarters) and Chiloquin (34 miles south of Park Headquarters).

How to Get Here

From the **west** (Medford) - Follow Hwy 62 to the park's West Entrance. Open year-round.

From the **south** (Klamath Falls) - Take Hwy 97 to Hwy 62 and the park's South Entrance. Open year-round.

From the **north** (Eugene, Portland) - Leave Interstate 5 just south of Eugene. Take Hwy 58 to Hwy 97 to Hwy 138. Follow Hwy 138 to the park's North Entrance. If the North Entrance is closed, enter either through the West Entrance or South Entrance. (From the junction of Hwy 97 and Hwy 138, it will take the same amount of time, either way you go.)

From the **northwest** (Roseburg) - Take Hwy 138 East from Interstate 5 and follow to the park's North Entrance. If the North Entrance is closed, enter either through the West Entrance or South Entrance. (From the junction of Hwy 97 and Hwy 138, it will take the same amount of time, either way you go.)

Crater Lake

11 km - rated 3D

Challenges OTSVA 2020 (Parks) 2019 (Nature, & Overlook)

1. **EXIT** Rim Village Visitor Center on side facing parking lot and immediately go **RIGHT** to first sidewalk going right.
2. **RIGHT** diagonally to set of steps going down to the Sinnot Overlook. *They have noon talks at the Overlook each day.*
3. After viewing Crater Lake, **RETURN UP** the steps to the first junction.
4. **RIGHT** at the junction and continue on the paved sidewalk closest to Crater Lake until the paving stops. Continue on the trail as it merges with West Rim Drive walking along the shoulder on the off highway parking area (0.1 km) until you see the trail going diagonally right.
5. **CONTINUE** on the main nature trail until it ends on a bluff overlooking the lake and West Rim Drive (Discovery Point). (2.3km) You will have many great views of Crater Lake and Wizard Island along the trail.
6. **RETURN** on the nature trail and paved sidewalk the way you came until across from 2 large buildings on your right. (4km)
7. **RIGHT** on the sidewalks to the sidewalk between the two buildings the back side. On your right are restrooms located in the smaller building and a café/gift shop on your left.
8. After visiting the Café and restrooms (included in your distance), **RETURN** back to the paved sidewalk along the rim of Crater Lake.
9. **RIGHT** on the paved sidewalk along the rim going past Crater Lake Lodge and along the rim until the paved sidewalk stops. Continue on the Garfield Peak Trail as it narrows, becomes steep and footing becomes much more treacherous. Stay on the trail until reaching the top plateau. Enjoy the view.
10. **RETURN** back to the Crater Lake Lodge and go inside to view interior. They do have a restaurant inside (Reservations are recommended 541-594-2255 if you wish to eat there) (and take out of appetizers, drinks and desserts can be purchased in the Great Hall and for the back patio.)
11. **RETURN** to the sidewalk along the rim and **LEFT** back to the Rim Village Visitor Center and finish. (10.6km)

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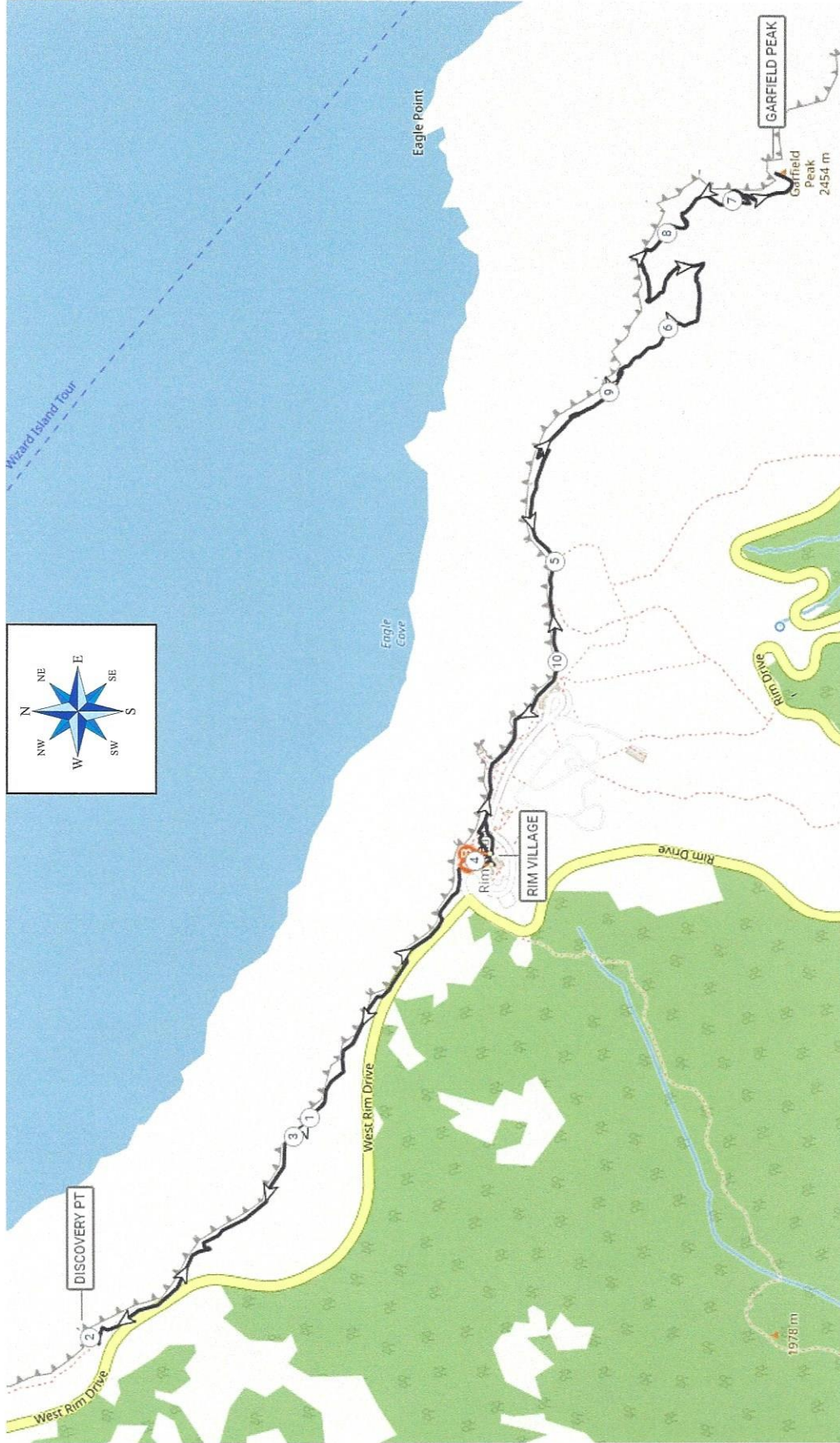
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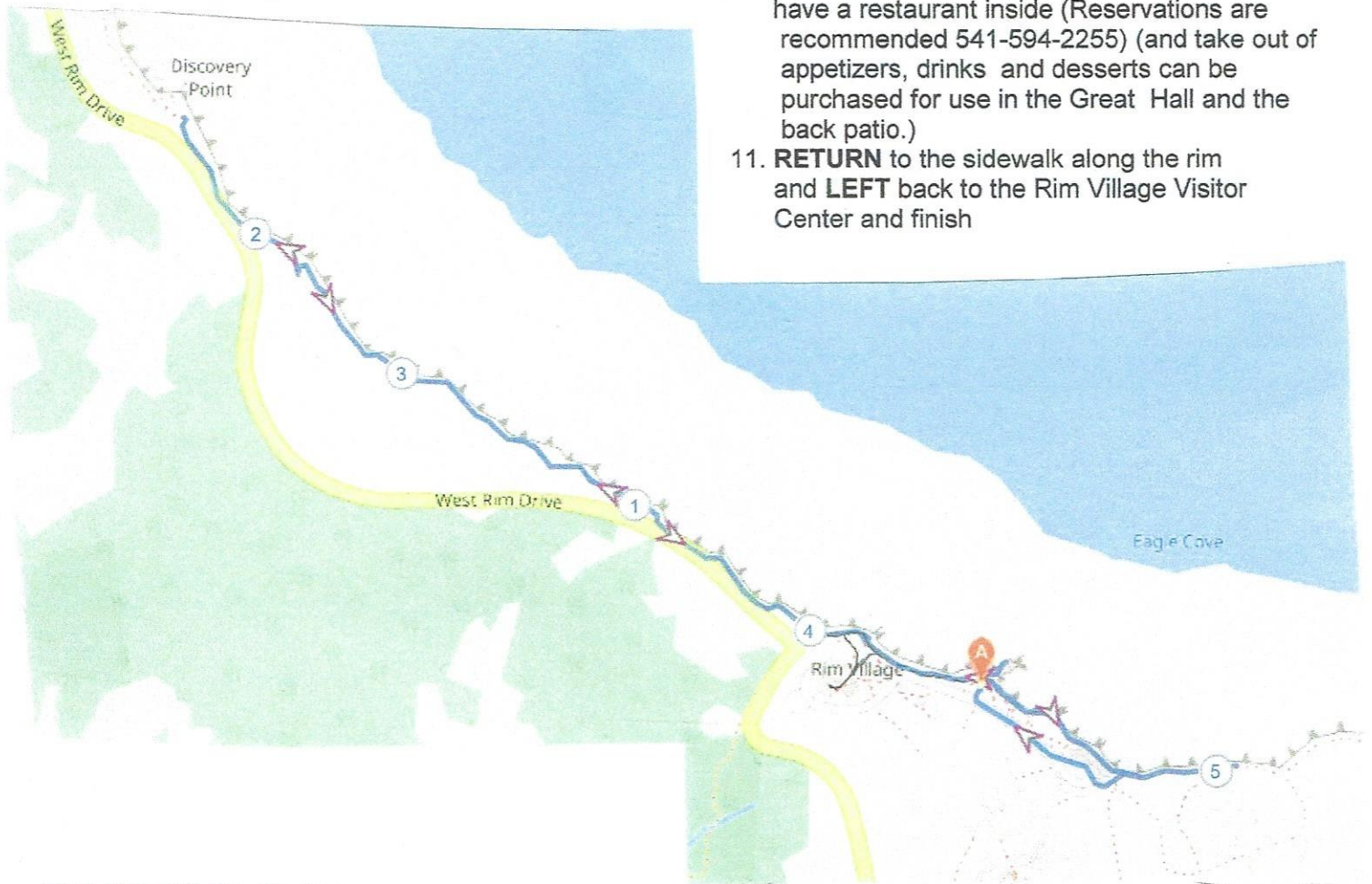


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