



A Taste of The Olympics

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Logistics Common For All Hikes

- ONP Park Map:

- <https://www.nps.gov/olymp/planyourvisit/upload/OLYMmap1.pdf>

- National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map:

- <https://www.natgeomaps.com/ti-216-olympic-national-park>

- Also Available Through Gaia GPS Premium

- Permits

- America The Beautiful Pass OR ONP Specific Pass

- Needed for overnight parking.

- Backcountry Wilderness Camping Permit

General Gear

- Tent

- Durston X-Mid 1p
- Nemo Hornet 2p

- Pack

- Gossamer Gear Mariposa

- Sleep System

- Thermarest Vesper 20° Quilt
- Nemo Tensor Insulated

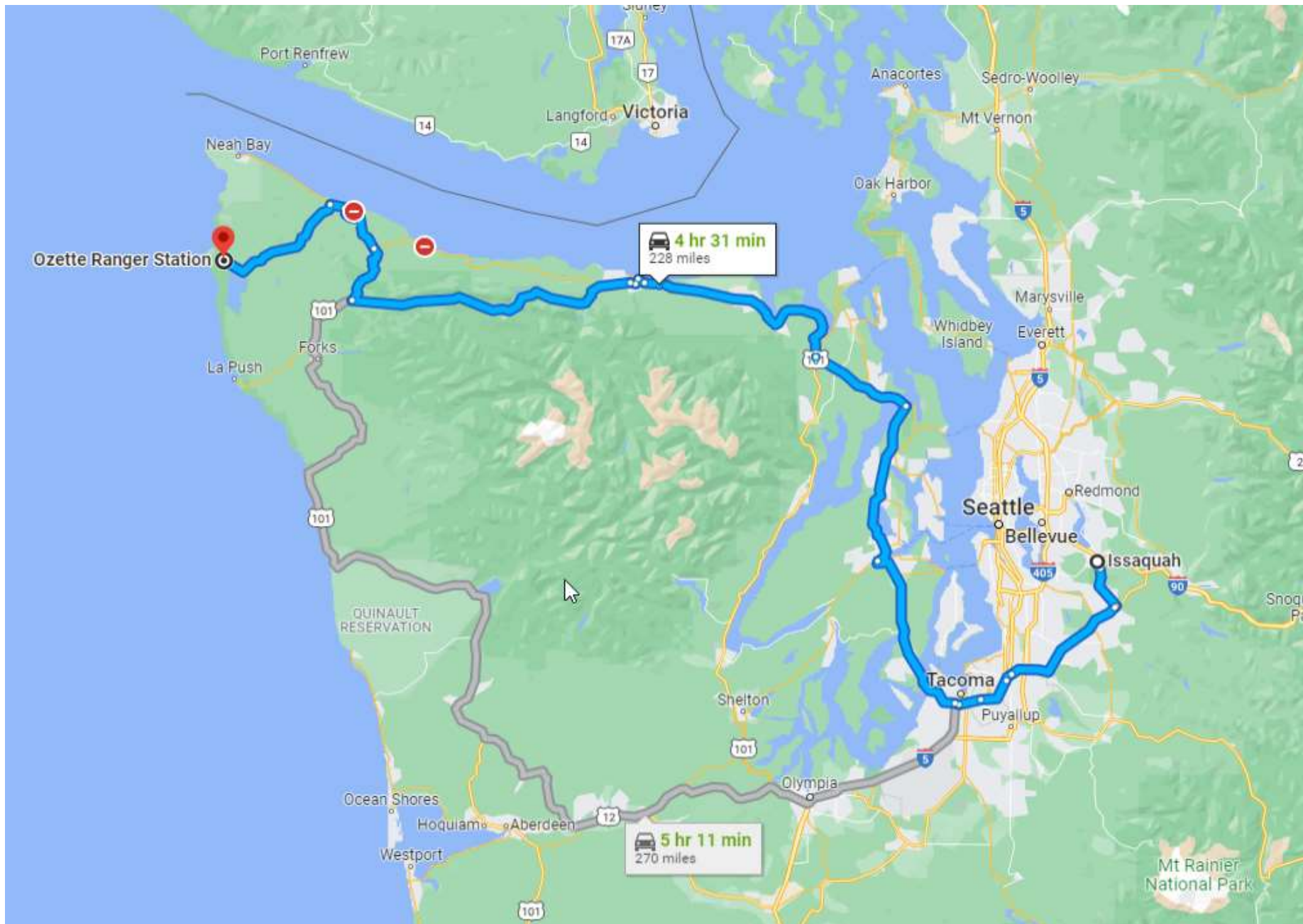
Ozette Triangle

- Counterclockwise Loop
- Camp: Wedding Rocks
- 4/02/2021 – 4/04/2021
- 9.5 Miles, 774' Elevation



- Clockwise Loop
- Camp: South Sand Point, Cape Alava
- 4/16/2021 – 4/18/2021
- 10.8 Miles, 849' Elevation

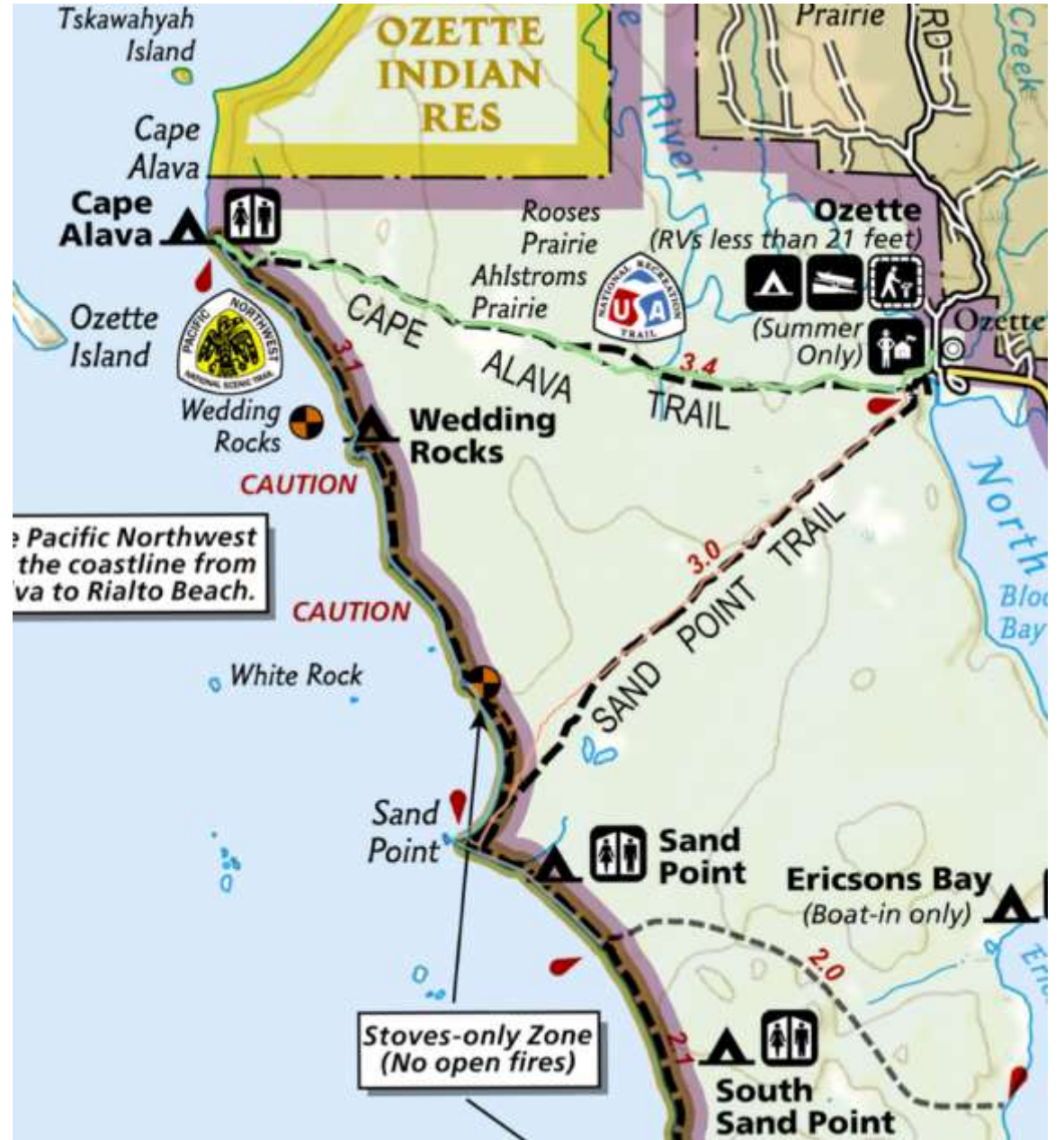




~4.5 Hours From
Issaquah

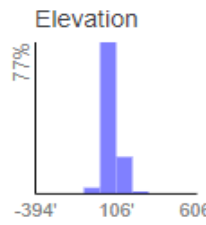
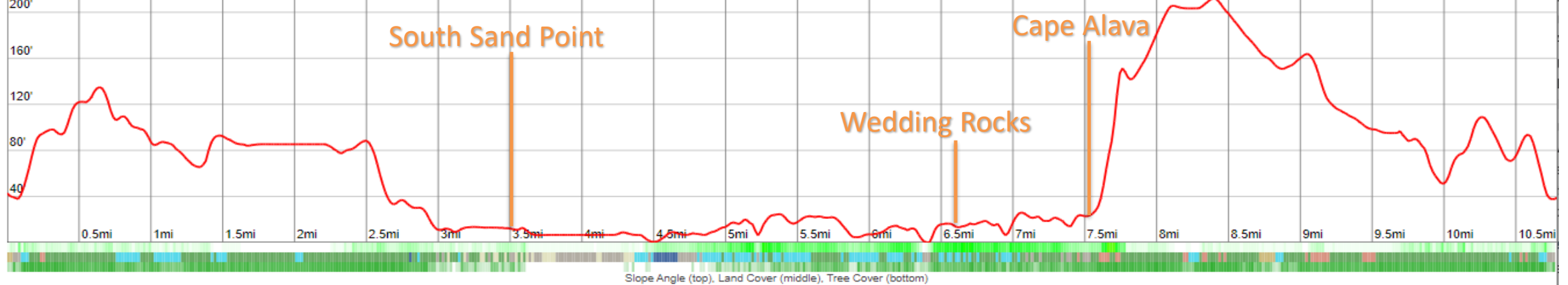
~230 Miles

Coast / Coastal Forest

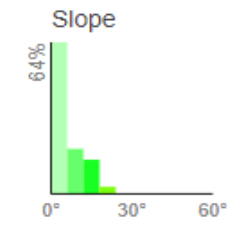


distance 10.79mi range 0' to 212' +585' -589' sampling interval 100' w/ 45.2x vertical exaggeration resample

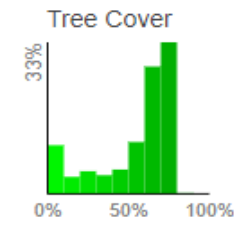
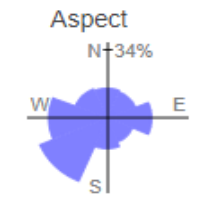
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Min 0'
Avg 65'
Max 212'
Delta 212'



Min 0°
Avg 6°
Max 23°



Land Cover

Forest	56%
Wetland	21%
Barren	11%
Developed	5%
Grassland	4%

Special Gear Considerations

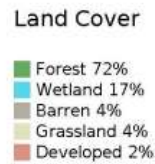
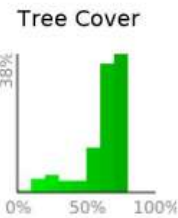
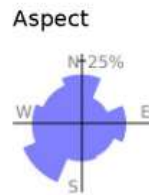
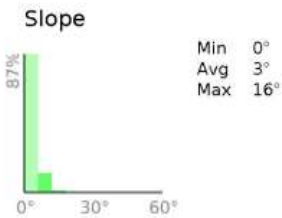
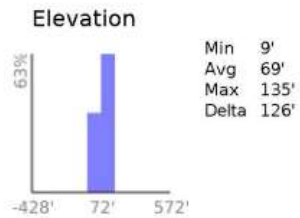
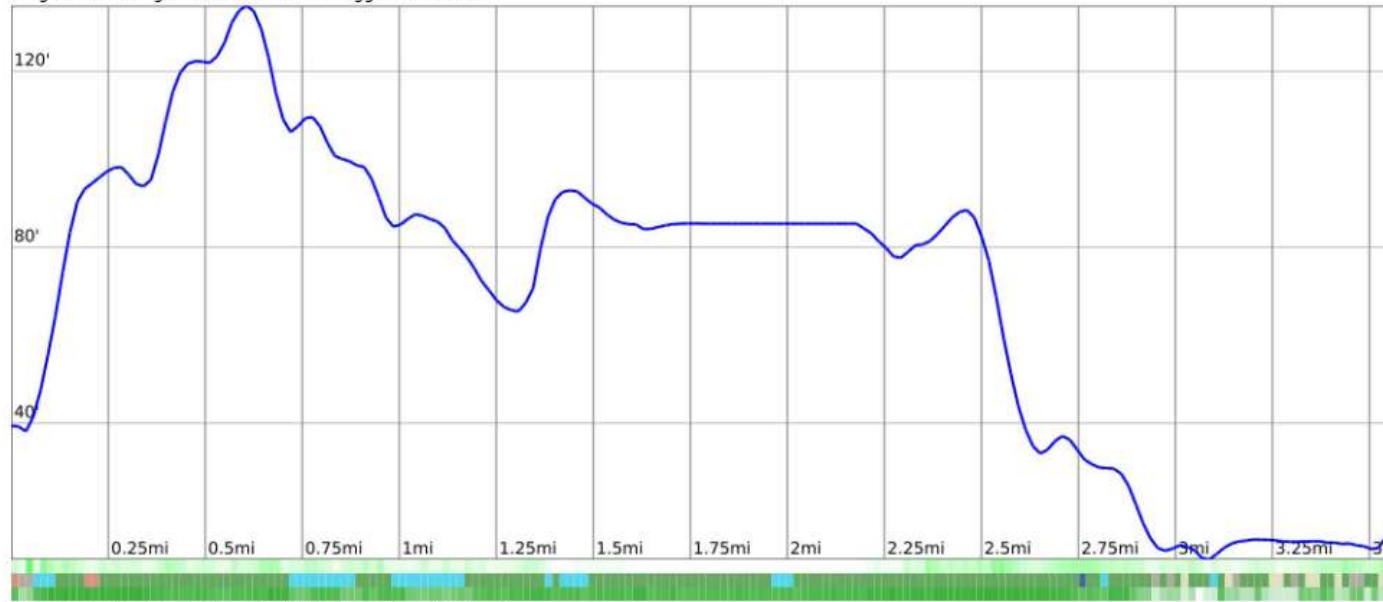
- Waterproof Boots
- Gloves (particularly for overland route)
- Bear Canister



Ozette Ranger Station to South Sand Point

Day 1 - TH to SSP

range 7' to 135' gain 164' loss 184' exaggeration 59.7x



3.75 Miles
Elevation: +231' -245'















South Sand Point to Cape Alava

Day 2 - SSP to Cape Alava

range 0' to 23' gain 72' loss 69' exaggeration 385.7x



Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



3.83 Miles
Elevation: +255' -259'















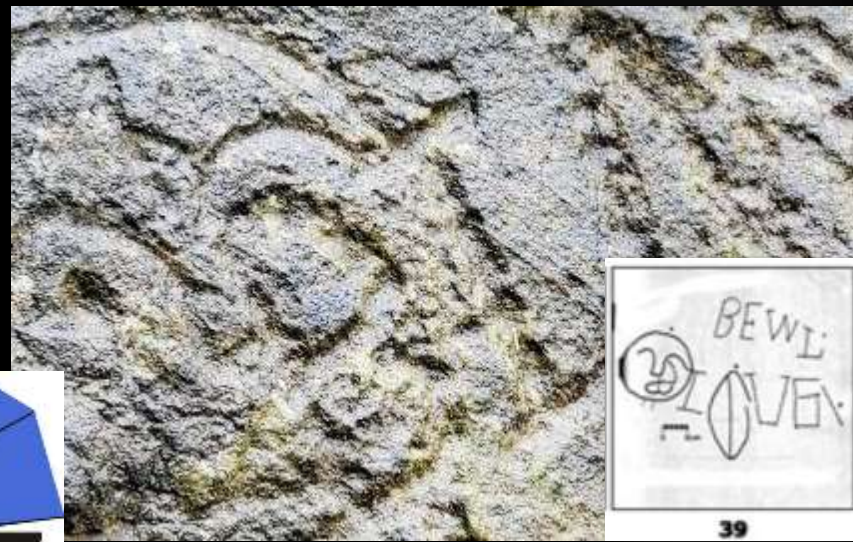
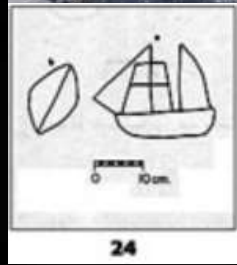
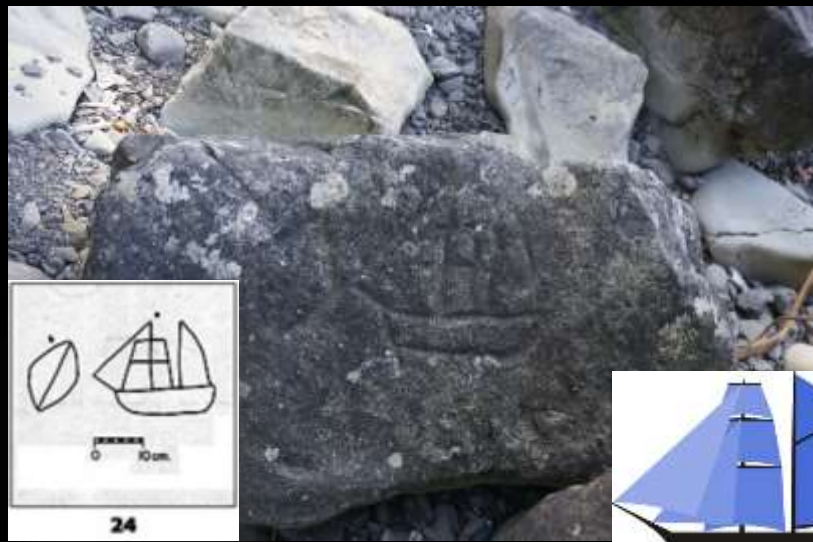
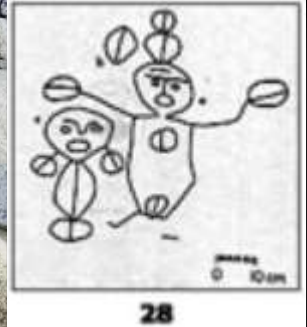




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Cape Alava to Ozette Ranger Station

Day 3 - Cape Alava to TH

range 20' to 210' gain 305' loss 285' exaggeration 36.4x



Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



3.3 Miles

Elevation: +363' -348'







Logistics

- When

- April through October. Shoulder season will be less crowded, but the weather less predictable

- Maps

- Green Trails Ozette No. 103S

- Guide books

- Day Hiking Olympic Peninsula

- Bear canisters

- Required. Raccoons!

- Tide Planning

- NOAA Tide Charts

- <https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/>

- My Full Trip Reports & More Info

- <https://wilderromp.com/blog/ozette-triangle/>

- <https://wilderromp.com/blog/revisiting-ozette-triangle/>

Is this For You?

- Pros
 - Low mileage, low elevation
 - Easy outs, good trip for trying out new gear, experimenting
 - Ocean sunsets
 - Petroglyphs
 - Culturally significant
- Cons
 - Rocky, uneven terrain
 - Can be crowded
 - Possible headland crossing

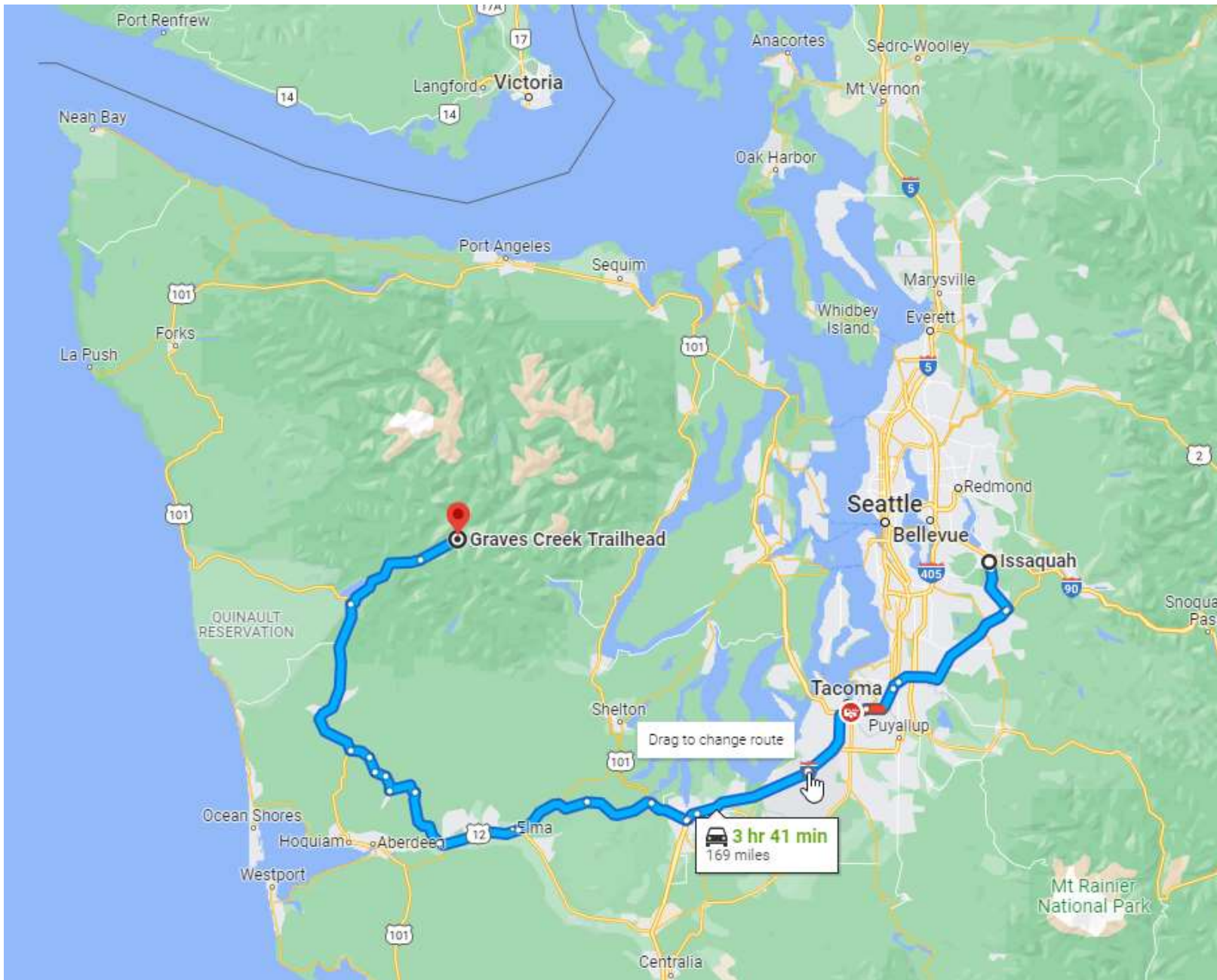


Enchanted Valley

- Out And Back, w/ Base
- Graves Creek TH, Base Camp at Pyrites Creek Camp
- 05/31/2021 – 06/02/2021
- 20.68 Miles, 4465' Elevation*
- Day Hike to Enchanted Valley
- 6.5 Miles, 888' Elevation*



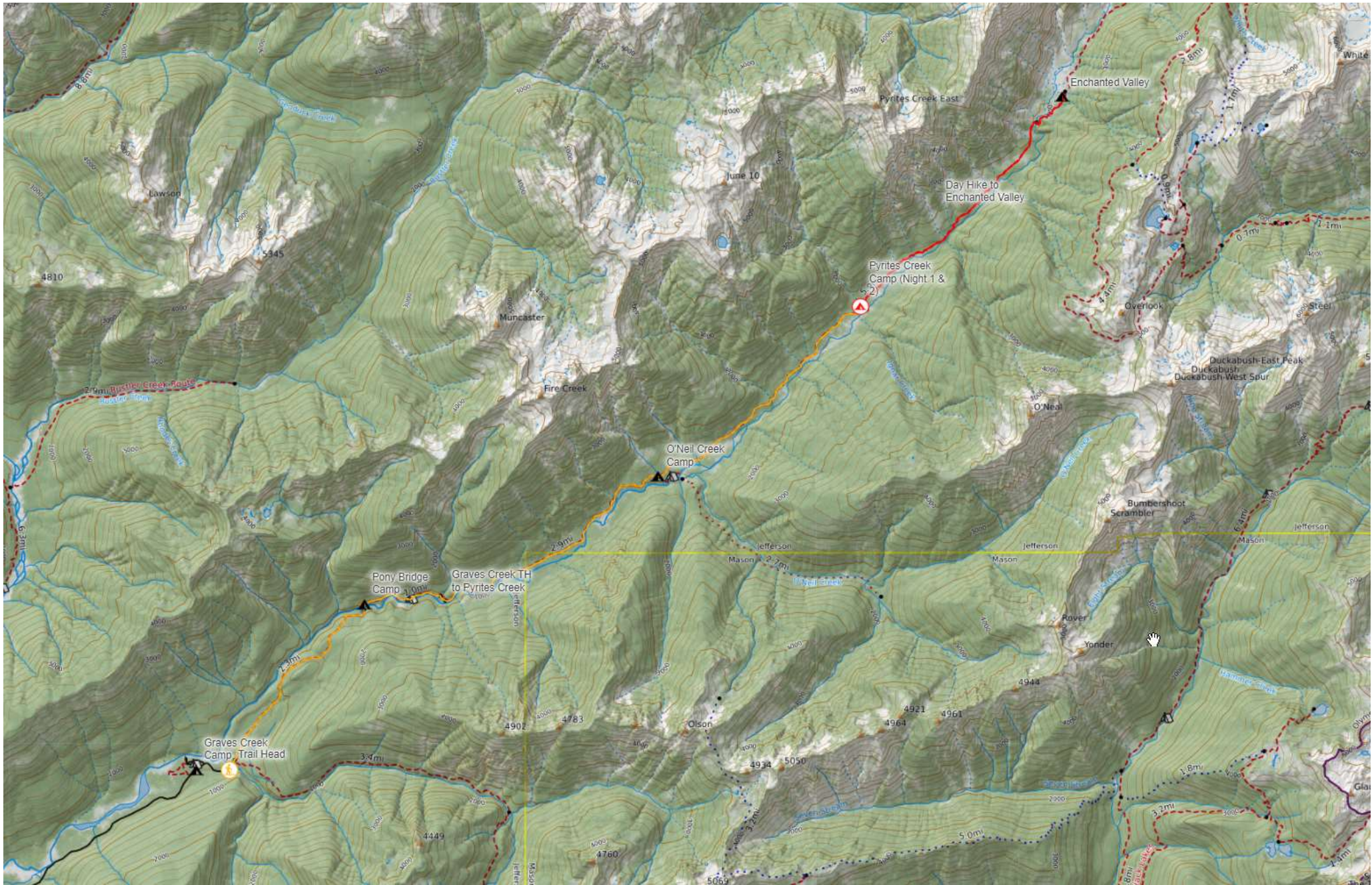
*Total, Out and Back



~3.75 Hours From Issaquah

~170 Miles

Rain Forest River Valley





Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



Special Gear Considerations

- Bear Canister in Enchanted Valley
- Bear Bells / Bear Spray / Slow Friend

Graves Creek Trailhead to Pyrites Creek Camp

5/31/2021

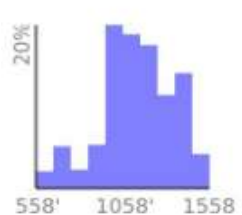
range 610' to 1503' gain 2152' loss 1312' exaggeration 24.5x



9.32 Miles
Elevation: +2496' -1627'

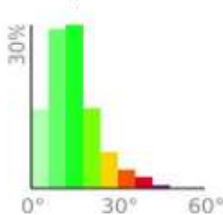
Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)

Elevation



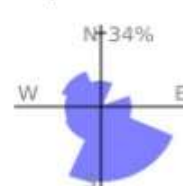
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Avg 1132'
Max 1503'
Delta 891'

Slope

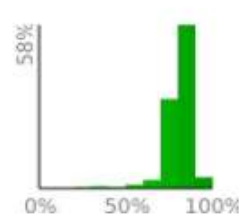


Min 2°
Avg 14°
Max 44°

Aspect



Tree Cover



Land Cover

Forest 96%
Wetland 3%













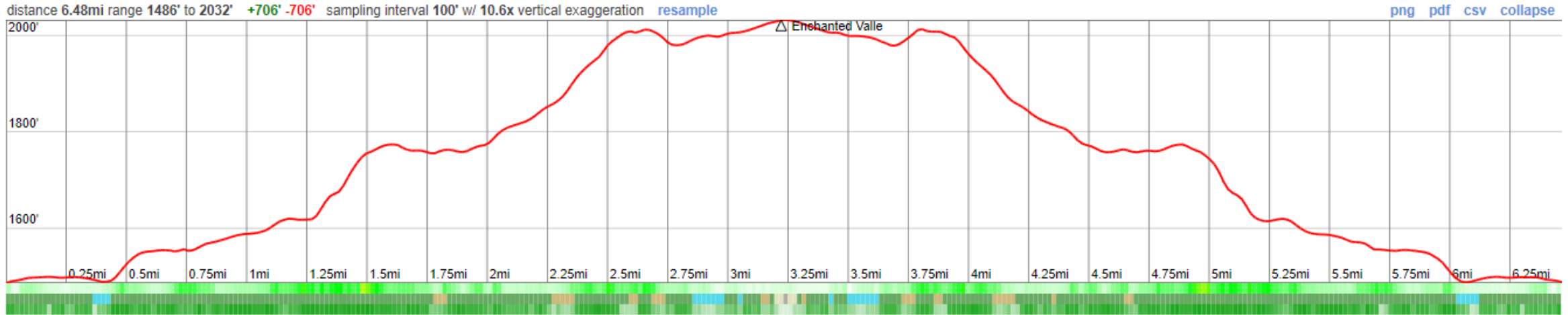




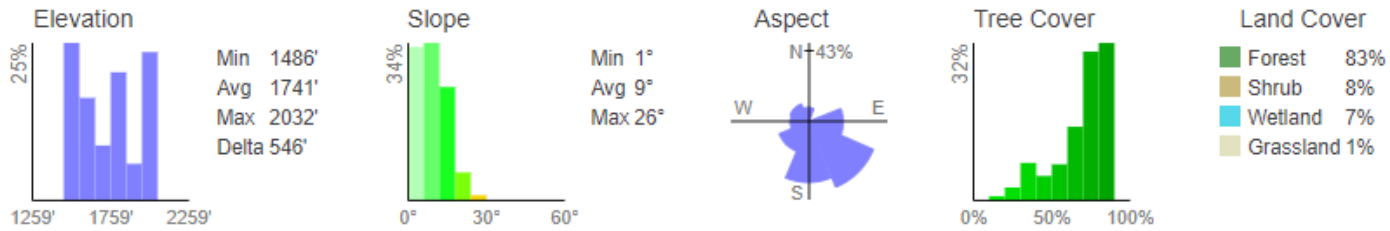




Pyrites Creek Camp to Enchanted Valley



Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



6.48 Miles

Elevation: +888' -888'











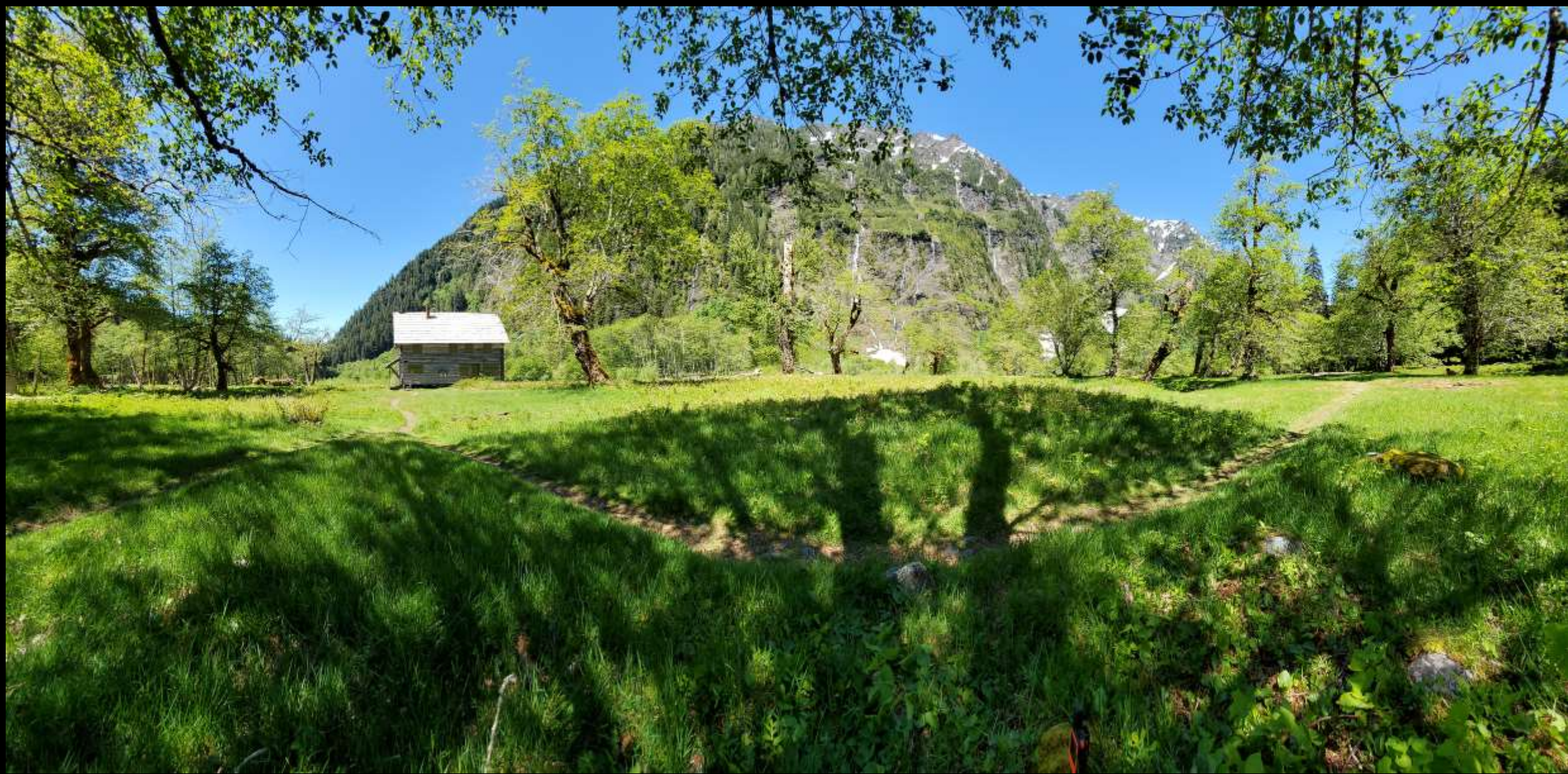
















Logistics

- **When**
 - May through September. Early season; fallen logs; snow
- **Maps**
 - Green Trails Ozette No. 166 and No. 167
- **Guide books**
 - Backpacking Washington
 - Olympic Mountains Trail Guide
- **Bear canisters**
 - Required in Enchanted Valley
 - Pyrites has Bear Wire
- **Prior Night Camping**
 - Graves Creek Camp. \$20
- **My Full Trip Report**
 - <https://wilderromp.com/blog/enchanted-valley/>

Is this For You?

- **Pros**

- Easy to Moderate hiking.
- Beautiful trail along Quinault River
- Chalet
- Bears

- **Cons**

- Can be crowded
- Fallen logs
- Water crossings
- Bears



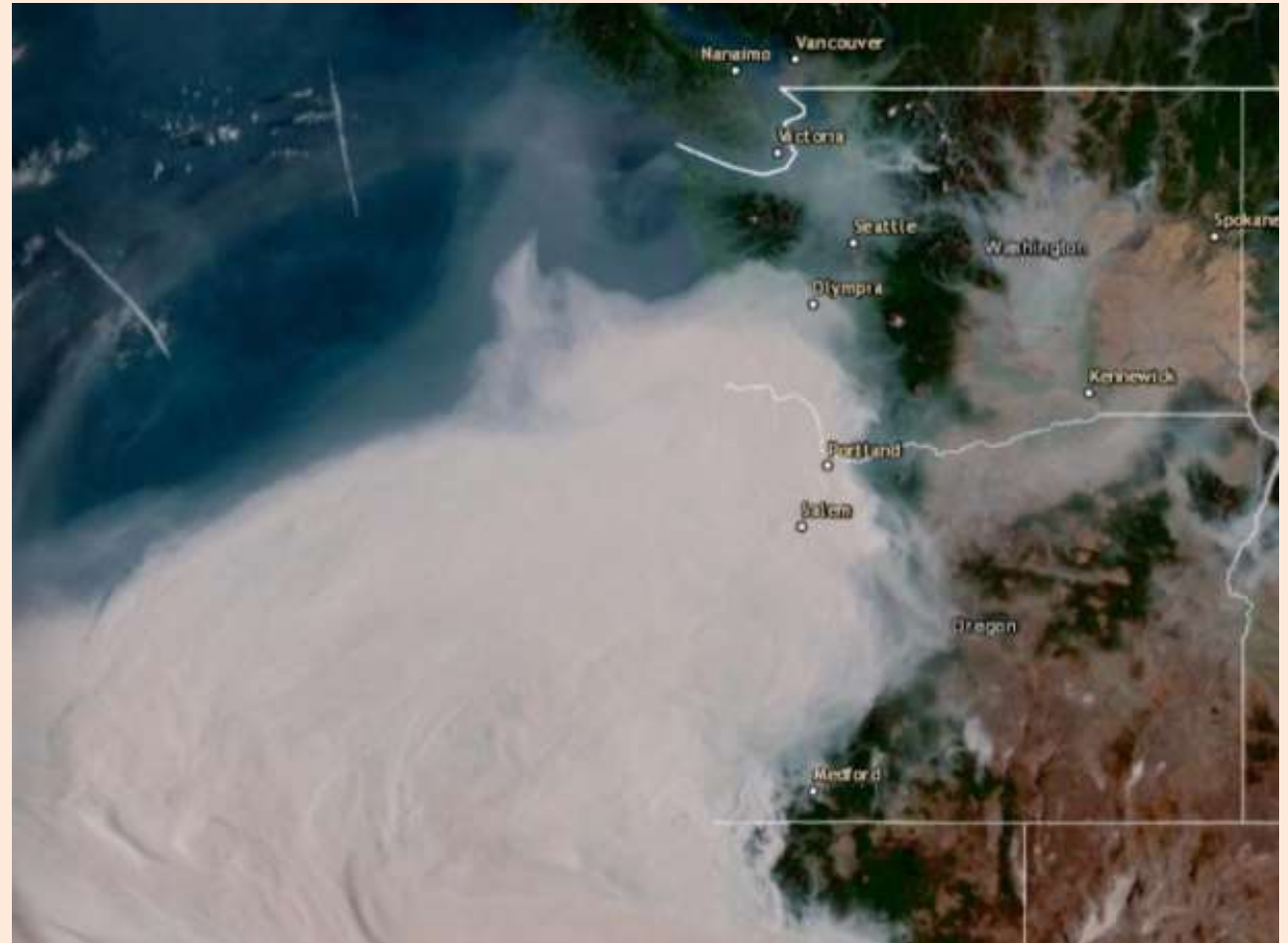
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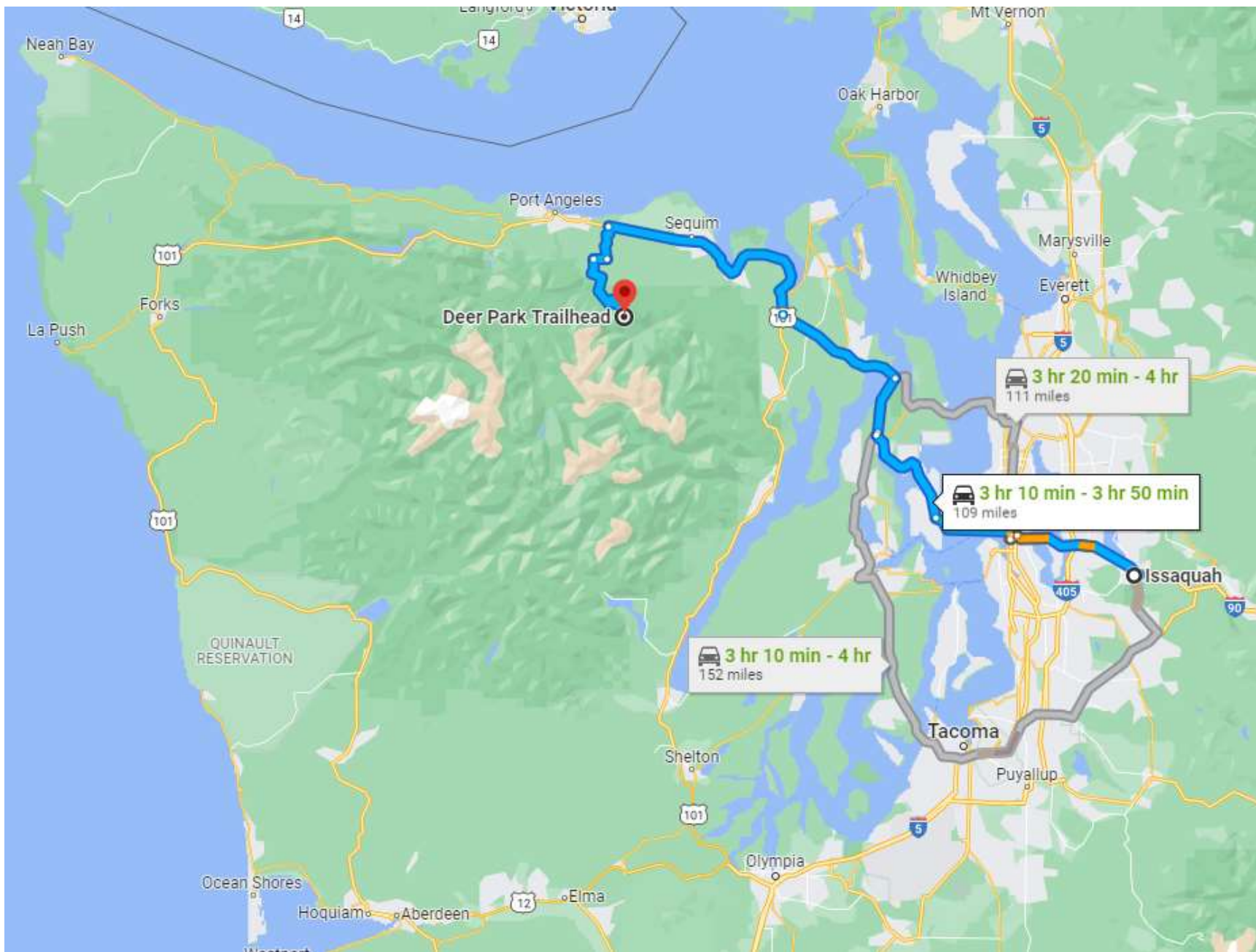
- Loop

- Starting at Deer Park towards Obstruction Point. Down into Badger Valley
- Grand Pass Trail, Cameron Pass Trail, Dosewalips River Trail, Gray Wolf Pass/River Trail, Three Forks Trail
- Back to Trailhead

- 09/10/2020 – 09/13/2020

- 45.2 Miles, 14,890' Elevation



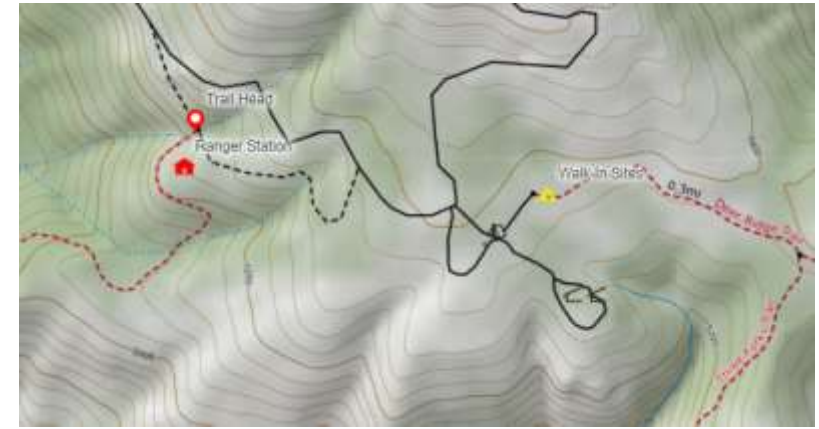
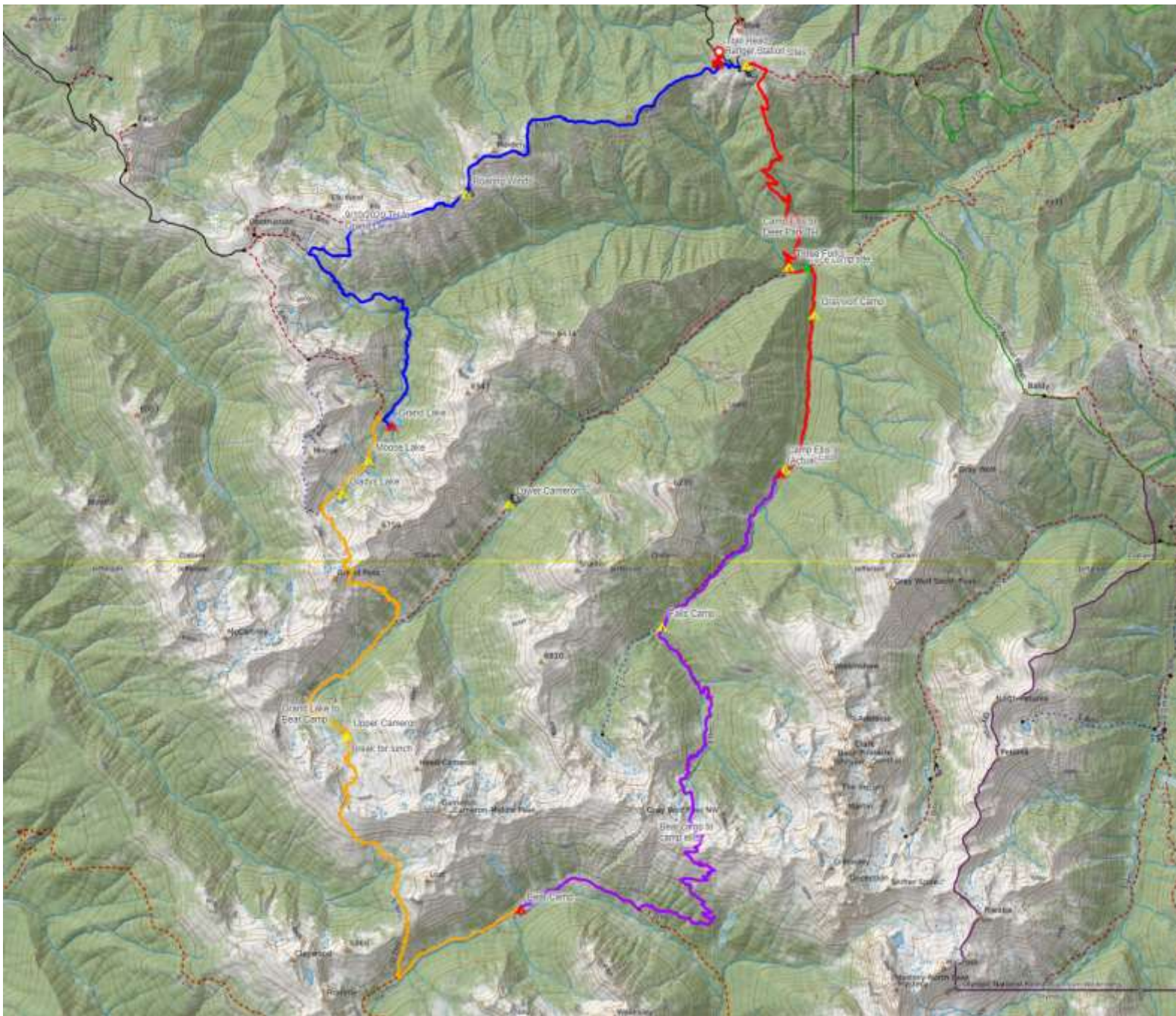


~3.5 Hours From Issaquah

~110-150 Miles

Rain Shadow
Montane
Sub-alpine



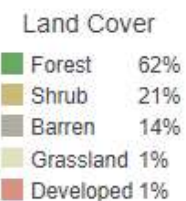
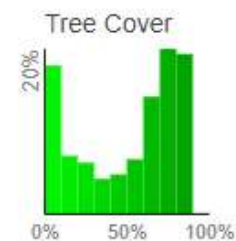
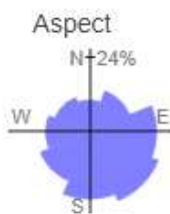
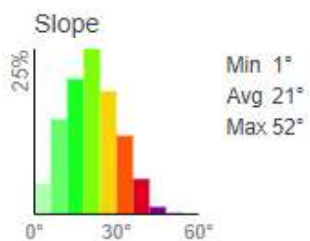
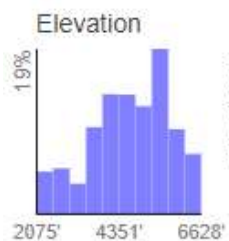


distance 40.8mi range 2075' to 6628' +13775' -13776' sampling interval 100' w/ 8x vertical exaggeration [resample](#)

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Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



Special Gear Considerations

- Bear Canister (Bag, Possibly)
- Hiking Poles

Deer Park Trailhead to Grand Lake

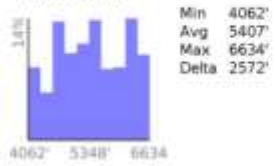
9/10/2020 TH to Grand Lake

range 4062' to 6631' gain 2972' loss 3599' exaggeration 9.1x

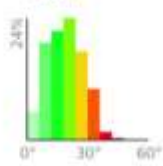


Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)

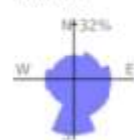
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Slope



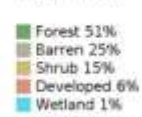
Aspect



Tree Cover



Land Cover



11.13 Miles, +3173' / -3801'

























Grand Lake to Bear Camp

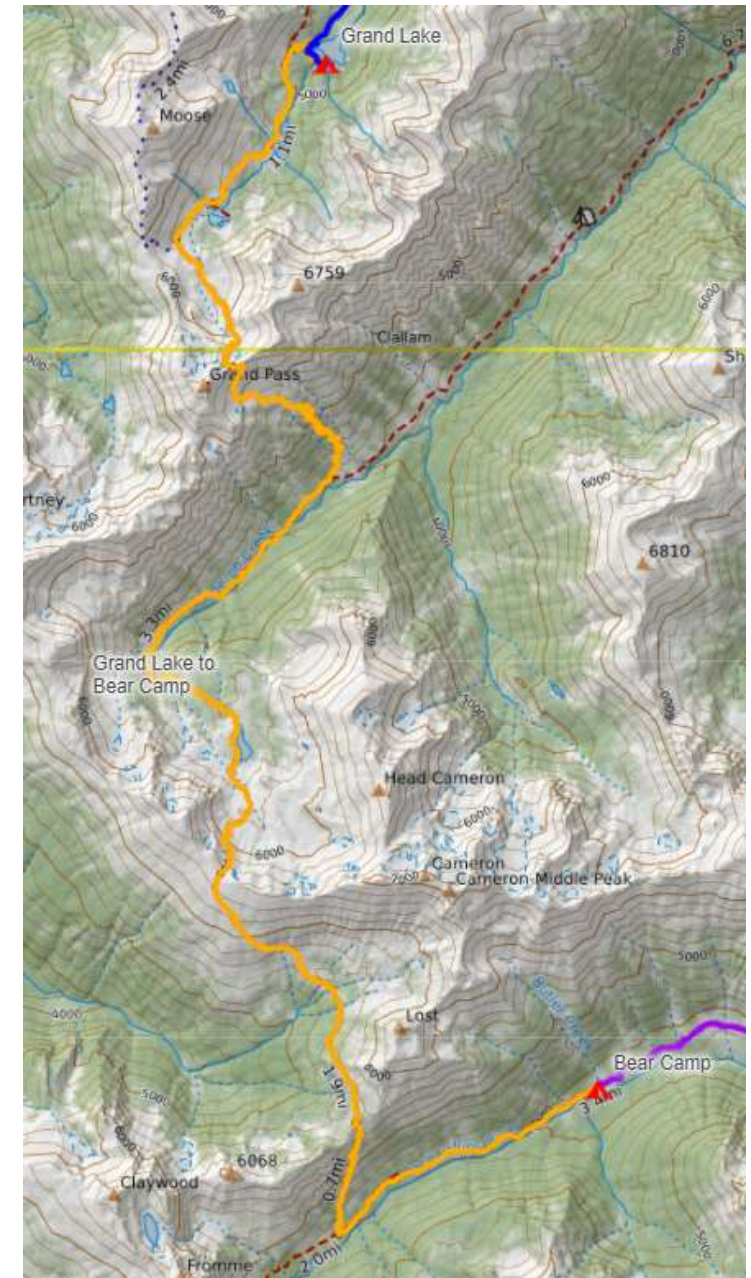
Grand Lake to Bear Camp
 range 3858' to 6476' gain 4357' loss 5256' exaggeration 11.0x



Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



13.64 Miles, +4450' / -5347'









































Bear Camp to Camp Ellis

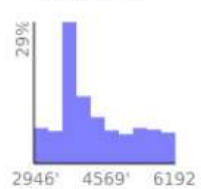
Bear camp to camp ellis

range 2943' to 6191' gain 3015' loss 3930' exaggeration 8.0x



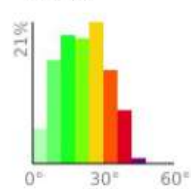
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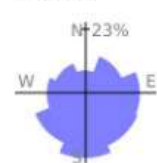
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Delta 3246'

Slope

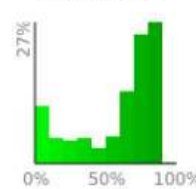


Min 2°
Avg 21°
Max 43°

Aspect



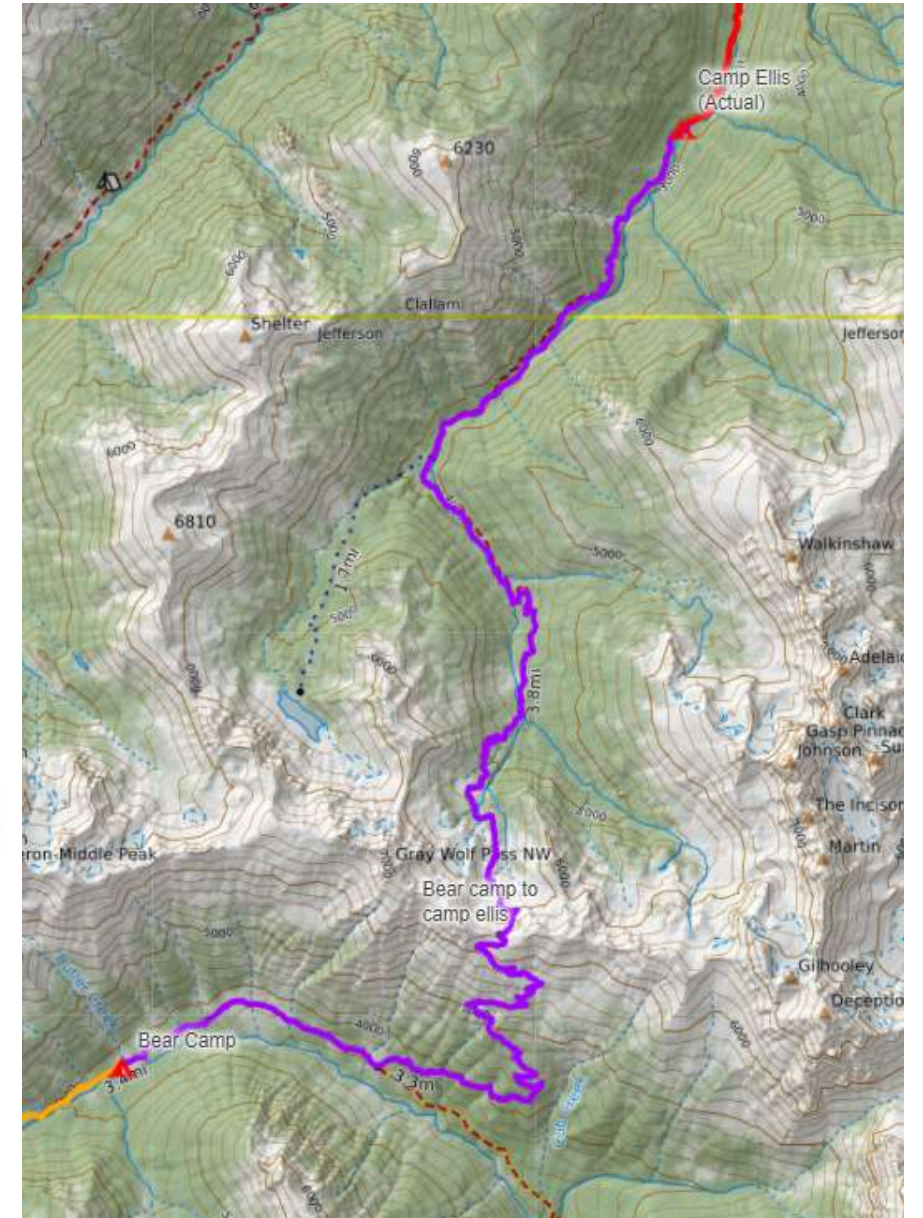
Tree Cover



Land Cover

Forest 74%
Shrub 17%
Barren 8%

12.37 Miles, +3355' / -4272'





















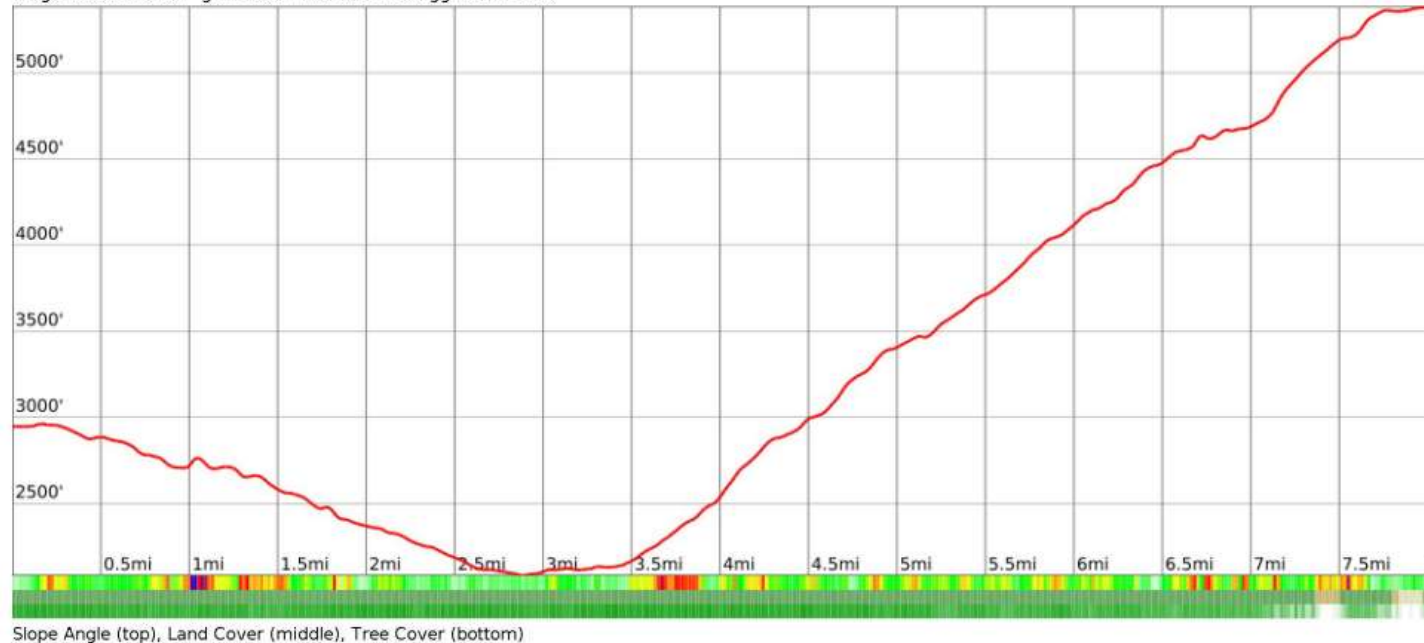




Camp Ellis to Deer Park Trailhead

Camp Ellis to Deer Park TH

range 2080' to 5387' gain 3488' loss 1043' exaggeration 5.1x



Slope Angle (top), Land Cover (middle), Tree Cover (bottom)



8.05 Miles, +3912' / -1470'















Logistics

- **When**
 - Summer, Check Snow
- **Maps**
 - Green Trails 134S, 168SX
- **Guide Books**
 - Backpacking Washington
 - Olympic Mountains Trail Guide
- **Bear Canisters**
 - Required If No Hang – Call to verify.
- **My Full Trip Report**
 - <https://wilderromp.com/trips/backpacking-onp-the-grand-wolf-loop/>

Is this For You?

- Pros

- High Mountain Views, Alpine Lakes
- Varied ecosystems
- Bear Wires at Most Camps

- Cons

- Challenging Days of Hiking
- Road to TH can be rough. AWD/High Clearance



Questions

