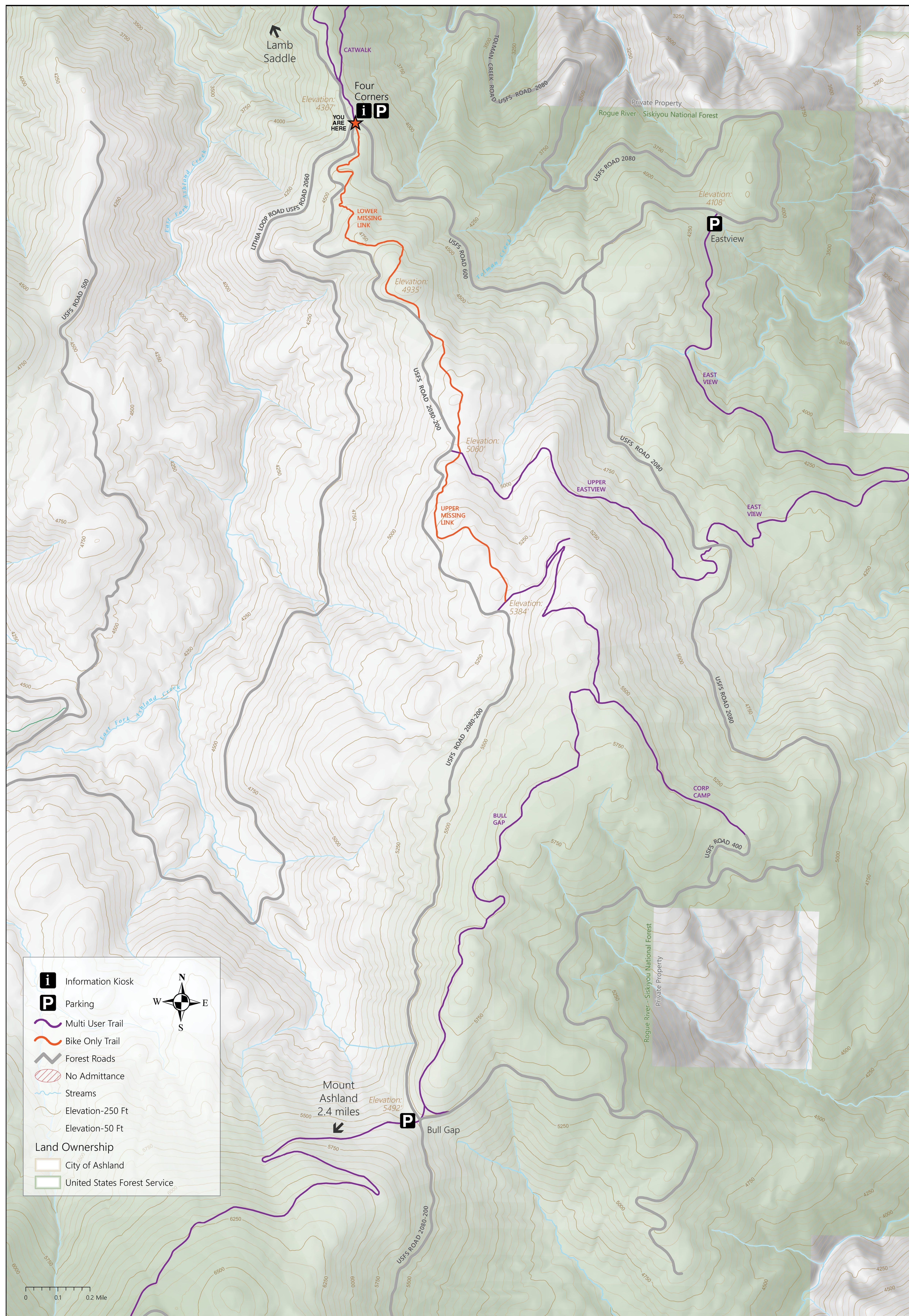


Welcome to the Four Corners Trailhead



Four Corners to East Fork

Views of Wagner Butte among large, old trees.

- From kiosk, head uphill (southwest).
- Lithia Loop Road 2060 starts off flat and rolls up and down with a net uphill for the first few miles. Large ponderosas to your left (east); to your right is the ~1,400 acre Research Natural Area (RNA) comprising a section of the Ashland Watershed.
- Heading further south and west, you will cross various tributaries of the East Fork of Ashland Creek, including Bull Gap Creek at ~3.1 miles.
- At mile 4.25, you will arrive at the main East Fork of the Ashland Creek.
- If you choose to extend your mileage, you will soon arrive at the USFS Road 500 (Winburn Ridge Rd). USFS Road 500 is a dead-end road, so be prepared to return the way you came. Hiking to the end of the road will add 5 miles and 1,300 feet of elevation gain and loss to this route.



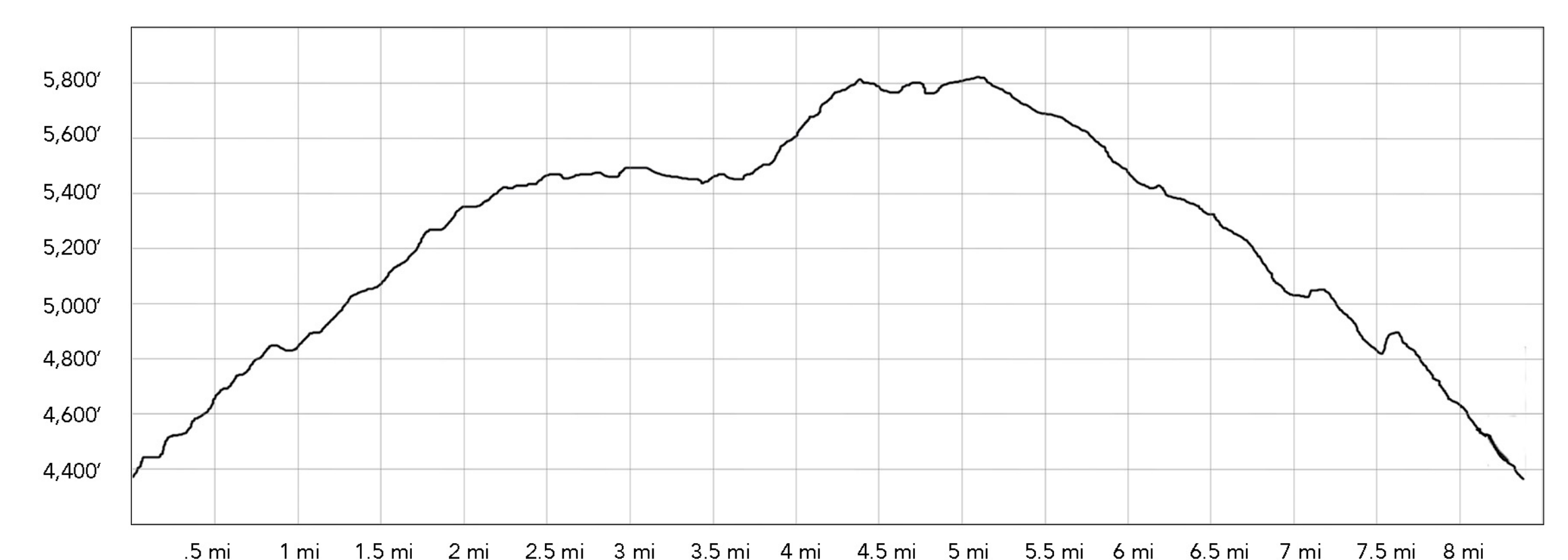
Begin at Lithia Loop Road 2060 Out & back, 8.5 miles total ~900' gain/loss



2080-200 - Bull Gap - Missing Links

Views of Mt. Ashland and abundant wildflowers.

- From kiosk, ride ~3.8 miles uphill (south) on USFS Road 2080-200 to Bull Gap Trailhead.
- Turn left (northeast) to begin the single-track climb up Lower Bull Gap trail (the other part of Bull Gap trail heads southwest toward Mt. Ashland).
- After climbing ~1.5 miles, you'll cross Corp Camp trail and begin your descent in earnest.
- At ~6.25 miles into your trip, connect with the Missing Links trail (right turn) and continue on single track for another 2+ miles.



Begin at USFS Road 2080-200 to Bull Gap Loop, 8.4 miles total ~1,900' gain/loss



Mt. Ashland to the PCT

Summer wildflowers and diverse landscapes.

For more high-elevation hiking, drive to the Mt. Ashland parking area where you can choose from a number of trails, including Grouse Gap. The Pacific Crest Trail skirts the south and east sides of the mountain, passing through beautiful flower-filled meadows and diverse landscapes as it makes its way onward north and south. Once the snow has melted, multiple trailheads are easily accessible from USFS Road 20 which extends past the parking lot.

- Note: USFS Road 20 is closed to vehicles November 15 - May 1.



Grouse Gap Trailhead

An easy day hike on the PCT

- Continue past the Mt. Ashland Ski Area parking lot to USFS Road 20.
- Follow USFS Road 20 for 2.4 miles to Grouse Gap Trailhead.
- Hiking north, the trail gradually ascends the southern flanks of Mt. Ashland, passing through a mixed conifer forest.
- Interesting granite rock formations are seen along the edge of the trail. Small mountain meadows start to appear, opening to a large cirque basin that is blanketed with columbine, scarlet gilia, Indian paintbrush, lupines and mountain gentians beginning in July. Deer are often seen in this area when flushed from cover in the cool, shady draws.