Ponderosa State Park
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1" = 1,733.3 ft Data Zoom 14-0
Recreation Trails Descriptions

Northern Lights - 1.0 mile/1.5 km* - Rating- Easy
Northern Lights will take you from the Activity Center to the shores of Payette Lake. It's a great trail for beginners. Travel may be in both directions.

Easy Does It - 2.3 miles/ 3.7 km* - Rating- Easy
Easy Does It is a good place for new skiers to start. The trail is wide, with diagonal tracks and a good skate lane. Travel may be in both directions.

Through the Woods - .6 miles/ 1 km - Rating-Easy/ More Difficult
Through the Woods joins Rover's Round-A-Bout to Easy Does It; NO PETS .The terrain is rolling and winds through a mature pine forest. Travel may be in both directions.

Sunrise - .9miles/1.4km - Rating- Easy/More Difficult
Sunrise connects with Rover's Round-About, Through the Woods, Easy Does It and Fox Run Trails. Rolling terrain winds through mature pine forests. Travel may be in both directions.

Lakeside - 2.2 mile/3.5km - Rating- Easy/More Difficult
Lakeside has rolling terrain with nice flats just above the shoreline of Payette Lake. The first portion (.7 mile) is rated easy up to where the trail junctions with Thread the Needle and Fox Run trails. From this junction north (1.5 miles) is the more difficult portion of the trail up to where the trail re-junctions with Thread the Needle. Travel may be in both directions.

Fox Run – 1.4 miles/ 2.3 km - Rating- More Difficult
Fox Run has short and long climbs with winding hills and short flat sections. Tracks for diagonal skiing and a narrow skate lane are provided. Travel may be in both directions.

Thread the Needle - 2.5 miles/ 4.0 km** - Rating- Easy/Most Difficult
Thread the Needle starts as a nice easy climb towards the highest point in the park. Then the steep up and down hills makes this a most difficult trail, but the climb is worth it. At the top, skiers will gain a spectacular view of Payette Lake and McCall. Hold on for the trip downhill. Tracks for diagonal skiing and skate skiing are provided. Travel may be in both directions.

Competition Trail Descriptions

Not So Easy - 1.0 mile/1.6 km - Rating- More difficult
Not So Easy consists of short steep hills, rolling terrain and a winding trail that takes you through the heart of the park. This trail is best suited for the more advanced recreational skier. Tracks for diagonal skiing and skate skiing are provided. Travel may be in both directions.

Snowshoe Trail Descriptions

Meadow Marsh Trail – 1.4 miles/2.2 km*** – Rating - Easy
Meadow Marsh is mostly flat with some short climbs through dense forest. Fir Grove cut-off trail will decrease the distance by half. Travel may be in both directions.

Lily Marsh Trail – 1.0 mile/1.6km – Rating - Advanced
Lily Marsh has moderate to steep climbs along the east side of the marsh and has a view point of Payette Lake. Travel may be in both directions.

Ridgeline Trail – 0.9 mile/1.4 km – Rating - Most Difficult
Ridgeline is a moderate climb to the point with scenic views of Payette Lake on both sides of the peninsula. Travel may be in both directions.

Dog Trail Description

Rover's Round-A-Bout – 1.0 mile/1.6 km* - Rating- Easy
This trail starts across from the Activity Center parking lot and loops south to the Park’s boundary. The trail takes you through a meadow of sagebrush and pine. Travel may be in both directions. Please keep your pet leashed and clean up after them. Travel may be in both directions. **This is the only trail in the park that pets are allowed on!**

* Designates distance from Activity Center around trail and back to the Activity Center.
** Designates distance from beginning of trail back to beginning of trail.
€ Distance from trail junction to trail junction