

CHIEF PAULINA HORSE CAMP

LaPine, OR

Directions

From Medford go north on Crater Lake Highway (62) to Hwy 230 to Diamond Lake and then go right on Hwy 138 to Hwy 97. Go north on Hwy 97. Continue north on 97, past LaPine. About two miles past LaPine is the turnoff to Newberry Volcano/Paulina Lake. Turn right and go about 13 miles on paved road. At the vehicle fee station tell them you are staying at Chief Paulina and you should be able to pass for free. Once at the top, there is a visitor information center on the right. From here proceed on down the road about 2 miles to the camp on the right.

Facilities

There are 14 campsites all with corrals (ten 2-horse and four 4-horse), picnic tables and fire rings. This is an old camp and sites 1-9 are pretty short and will only accommodate a small truck and trailer. Sites 10-14 are a little larger, but still need to maneuver around trees. There are two old vault toilets and piped water to a trough. There is NO potable water. There is additional trailer parking in a small day use area within the camp. This camp is usually open from late June to September, depending on the snow pack.

Fees

There are no reservations available for this camp. Sites are \$12 - \$14 first vehicle/RV per night. There is an additional fee for extra vehicles. Call the Visitor Center at 541-536-8802 for more information.

Description

The trails leaving from the camp range from easy to more difficult. More difficult being the caldera rim trail which is a 20 mile loop. Highest point on the rim trail is 7985 ft. Beautiful and easy would be the Peter Skene Ogden trail along Paulina Creek. This trail is 9 miles (one way) and has many waterfalls, pools and rapids to enjoy. There are also four other possible loops through the obsidian flows and pine trees. Note – most of the trails are also open to mountain bikers. Trails do become dusty in the late summer.

