13 Big Creek-Summit Prairie

■ 2-3 hours ■ 17.2 miles ■ Easiest (with some rough sections)

- **Access to trailhead:** From Seneca, turn east onto FR 16 and go 19 miles. Turn left onto FR 815 and go 0.4 mile north to Big Creek CG.
- **Nearest Food/Water Source:** John Day (food), Big Creek CG (water).
- **Surfaces Encountered:** Gravel road, old railroad bed.
- **Comments:** Ride can be ridden as out and back (17.2 miles) or you can ride the 6.3 miles back to Big Creek CG on FR 16 and FR 815, bringing the total distance to 14.9 miles.
- **USGS Maps:** Logan Valley West, Logan Valley East.
- **USFS Maps:** Prairie City Fire/District.

Mileage Log:

0.0-From Big Creek CG, ride north on FR 815.

0.8-Turn right onto raised bed of abandoned logging railroad line and head east.

1.4-Barbed-wire fence and gate; veer right and cross FR 456, continuing on railroad bed (paralleling the fenceline).

1.7-Cross FR 1648 and continue straight, riding past barricade with sign reading, "No Motorized Vehicles."

2.6-Continue straight, crossing gravel road, past barricade.

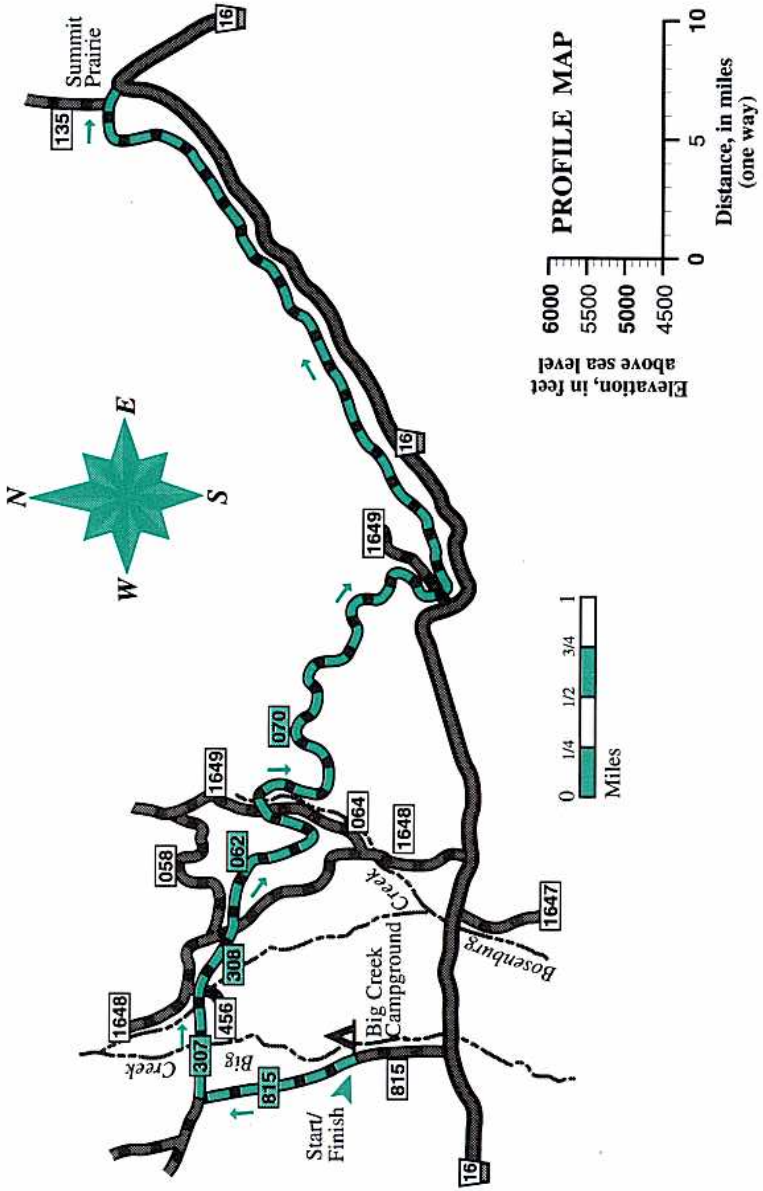
2.8-Continue straight on FR 070, crossing FR 1649.

3.7-Gate.

5.1-Continue straight, crossing FR 1649 and passing barricades.

5.7-Veer right, following railroad grade; a road rises above on the left.

6.6-Gate.

8.5-Veer right onto gravel road (FR 135 goes left).

8.6-Summit Prairie. Either backtrack or turn right onto FR 16 to return to Big Creek CG.