

COWICHE CANYON and UPLANDS TRAILS				
Trail Name	Description	Trail Features	Difficulty	Length (miles)
Cowiche Canyon Trail	The trail follows Cowiche Creek which runs through the Cowiche Canyon along an old railroad bed, from the Cowiche Canyon East Trailhead on Cowiche Road to the Cowiche Canyon West Trailhead off Weikel Road.	Flat, stable surface with loose gravel		3.13
East Uplands Trail	Starts at the Scenic Trailhead and wanders through areas of native plants and wildflowers and then winds down to the Cowiche Canyon Trail on the Canyon floor. Visitors can enjoy scenic views of the Canyon and surrounding hilltops.	Trail becomes steep in places as it winds down into the Canyon		1.5
East Uplands North Loop Trail	Starts at the Scenic Trailhead and is used primarily as a short mountain bike path addition to longer rides through the very gently rolling and sandy shrub-steppe area. The territorial view to the north is not particularly impressive, but there is some view of the north rim of Cowiche Canyon.	Gently rolling terrain		0.65
East Uplands South Loop Trail	Starts at the Scenic Trailhead. This loop trail is used primarily as a mountain bike path through the very gently rolling and sandy shrub-steppe area. The territorial views to the west include the prominent Mt Adams.	Gently rolling terrain		1.36
Lone Pine Trail	Starts from a junction toward the west end of Cowiche Canyon Trail and climbs up the wall of the Canyon in a series of gentle grade switchbacks. The views of Cowiche Creek and the Canyon keep improving as the trail approaches the Canyon rim. There is a resting bench with an outstanding view at the intersection with the Radio Flyer Loop Trail. The trail continues south to another intersection with the Radio Flyer Loop Trail.	Moderate uphill grade		0.89
Radio Flyer Loop Trail	Starts from a junction with the Summitview Trail. The loop begins and ends at this intersection. Going east the gently rolling route travels about a mile before heading north	Flat and moderately rolling grade		1.97

	toward the Canyon. After travelling roughly .25 miles through typical shrub-steppe habitat, it turns to the west toward an intersection with the Lone Pine Trail which comes up from the Canyon. Following west from there, the route continues to be gently rolling, eventually passing the historical Radio Flyer wagon for which it is named.			
Summitview Trail	Starts from the small Summitview Trailhead parking lot. The trail gently curves uphill at a comfortable grade, making an enjoyable route through the shrub-steppe habitat to the connection with the Radio Flyer Loop Trail in the Cowiche Canyon Uplands.	Moderate uphill grade		0.47
Summitview South Loop Trail	The Summitview South Loop Trail starts from a junction with the Radio Flyer Loop Trail, which is accessed from the Summitview Trailhead. This loop trail is used primarily as a mountain bike path through the very gently rolling and sandy shrub-steppe area. The territorial views to the west include the prominent Mt Adams.	Moderate uphill Grade		0.99
Cowiche Canyon Trail to Summitview Road	This trail segment crosses land owned by a variety of individuals, private business interests, and government agencies. The views of the canyon, the short portion of shrub-steppe habitat, as well as the private industrial areas crossed on this portion of the trail, all present an intriguing and interestingly unique hiking experience.	Steep uphill climb from the Canyon Trail		0.50
Winery Trail	Connects the Cowiche Canyon Trail with The Tasting Room at Wilridge Winery, located in a 1900's era farmhouse on the north rim of Cowiche Canyon. The winery area contains vineyards, scenic vistas, and picnic areas. CCC and the Tasting Room cooperatively maintain this connecting trail. The trail can be used by hikers, mountain bikers, and horseback riders to access the wineries and viewpoint areas from the canyon trail, or from the Naches Heights Road. The Winery Trail intersects the Cowiche Canyon Trail about 1.75 miles east of	Steep grade with irregular footing		0.80

	the Cowiche Canyon West (Weikel) Trailhead. Spectacular views of Cowiche Canyon.			
SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH TRAILS				
Trail Name	Description	Trail Features	Difficulty	Length (miles)
Balanced Rock Trail	<p>This trail starts at an intersection with the Cowiche Mountain Trail West at the mouth of the ravine, climbs out of the ravine to a junction with the Wildflower Trail, then heads southeast, passing by the balanced rock and along the top of the basalt columns and providing a spectacular view of the meadow and orchards beyond. At the end of the hillside traverse the trail drops steeply down to meet the Ditch Bank Trail.</p> <p><i>Note: Mountain biking is prohibited on this trail.</i></p>	Gently rolling terrain, steep in places		0.35
Bench Trail	<p>This trail begins near the upper (south) end of the Wildflower Trail, travels east along the shrub-steppe bench lands, then turns north and descends gently to an intersection with the Cowiche Mtn Trail East. It connects Cowiche Mountain Trail West & the Cowiche Mountain Trail East. Starting from the kiosk, this combination of trails forms a scenic loop hike of 3.7 miles with an elevation gain of 370 feet.</p> <p><i>Note: Mountain biking is prohibited on this trail.</i></p>	Mostly level		0.90
Cowiche Mountain Trail East	<p>This route to the summit begins near the east end of the Ditch Bank Trail and ascends a broad ravine to the bench lands above, then continues south to a junction with the Bench Trail. From here the trail descends north into a deep ravine, turns south again, ascends out of the ravine to a broad ridge, winds its way up the ridge, then traverses the head of the next ravine to the east and continues on to the summit of Cowiche Mtn (2,970') and a junction with both the Cowiche Mtn Trail West and the trail coming up from Rocky Top. From the summit you're treated to panoramic views of the surrounding countryside as well as Mt Adams, Mt Rainier, and (on a clear day) the top of Mt Hood.</p>	Steady and sometimes steep uphill grade		2.14

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Cowiche Mountain Trail West	<p>This climb to the summit begins at the main kiosk and crosses the bottomlands to the mouth of a broad ravine where it meets both the Balanced Rock Trail and the Riparian Trail West. The trail proceeds south up the ravine, eventually curving east and climbing out of the ravine to the bench lands above and a junction with the Wildflower Trail. The trail curves south and proceeds past an old corral, climbs a broad ridge, then curves east again and traverses to a shallow saddle at the top of the ridge and on to the summit of Cowiche Mountain (2,970') and a junction with both the Cowiche Mtn Trail East and the trail coming up from Rocky Top. From the summit you're treated to panoramic views of the surrounding countryside as well as Mt Adams, Mt Rainier, and (on a clear day) the top of Mt Hood.</p> <p><i>Note: Mountain biking is prohibited on this trail.</i></p>	Challenging uphill grade		3.24
Ditch Bank Trail	<p>This trail, mostly wide and flat, starts just to the left (east) of the kiosk by the bridge and follows an old ditch rider's road along the original Tieton Irrigation Canal. As the trail curves east, it passes a balanced rock and basalt columns on its way to the eastern boundary of the ranch. The Balanced Rock Trail, Cowiche Mountain Trail East, and Riparian Trail East all connect with this trail.</p>	Flat terrain		0.72
Entry Trail	<p>Beginning at the parking lot, this trail passes through an old pasture restored to Great Basin Wild Rye, crosses a small irrigation ditch, then drops down steep steps past the old Tieton Irrigation Canal siphon, and across the bridge over Cowiche Creek to the main kiosk.</p>	Gentle downhill slope, steep in places		0.19
Garry Oak Trail	<p>This mostly flat trail starts at the parking lot and goes west paralleling the parking lot fence and then Cowiche Mill Road, turns south and east past a large grove of cottonwoods, aspens, and Garry oaks, then follows a wide corridor with aspens, willows, and wild rose on the right and a row of oaks on the left to a junction with the Entry Trail at the crossing of the small irrigation ditch. In the fall this trail has a brilliant display of colors.</p>	Mostly flat		0.4

Riparian Overlook Trail	<p>This trail starts from the Riparian Trail West approximately 50 yards west of the Cowiche Mtn Trail West at the mouth of the ravine and climbs a south facing slope to an overlook with great views out over the bottom lands to Mt Cleman and back to Cowiche Mtn.</p> <p><i>Note: Mountain biking is prohibited on this trail.</i></p>	Short, moderate climb		0.26
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Riparian Trail East	The Riparian Trail East starts at the kiosk and heads east along the north edge of the old pasture lands. It follows the creek for a short ways, goes through a tunnel of shrubs, passes the ponds, and continues along the edge of the trees where it curves southeast and connects with the east end of the Ditch Bank Trail.	Mostly flat terrain		0.73
Riparian Trail West	Trail heads west from the kiosk along the north (creek) side of the old pasture lands to the west. The route enters a rehabilitated native vegetation area (largely basin wild rye & antelope bitterbrush) at the west end of the old pasture and continues through an oak and cottonwood grove and across a large dry streambed. Trail passes a butterfly garden with plants preferred by the many resident butterfly species. The trail then heads southwest to the elk fence at the boundary between SMR and the Oak Creek Wildlife Area.	Mostly flat terrain		0.72
Swallowtail Trail	This trail begins at the Butterfly Garden and travels southwest through native vegetation to a junction with the Riparian Trail West at the elk fence near the bottom of the hill. It offers a glimpse at what the bottomlands were like before they were cultivated.			0.125
Wildflower Trail	This aptly named trail starts from the Balanced Rock Trail and climbs to the the benchlands above the ravine to a junction with the Bench Trail and then the Cowiche Mountain Trail West. Along the way you'll pass two old bathtubs used as stock watering troughs when this was a working ranch. The views of the surrounding area and the seasonal wildflower display are spectacular. This trail is often used as an alternative to the lower portion of the Cowiche Mtn Trail West.	Steady uphill grade		0.94

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Trail Difficulty  Easy, mostly flat terrain

 Moderate to steep uphill grade