Homestake Pass to The Maude S Canyon Trail Head. (20 km Dirt Single-Track)

A partially shady place to run through the woods on a warm summer morning, while the sun remains on the east side of the Divide.

Directions:

Exit I-90 at Homestake Pass and proceed northward on Delmoe Lake Road to the Continental Divide Trail Head and its small parking area that is on the immediate north side of the railroad crossing. Once out on the trail, you will cross a few older roads and trails but the main trail is well marked with CDT signs and blazes. You will reach a fork in the trail at 14K. Take the west fork down the switchbacks for the final 6K to the Maude S Canyon T. H.

Description:

Rolling single track with no motorized vehicle use allowed. The trail is mostly composed of decayed granite and sand. Lots of switchbacks through forest and some massive stone formations.

You will encounter a few small streams where you may purify the water for drinking.

Negatives:

Somewhat steep downhills in the upper portion of Maude S Canyon. Mountain lion habitat – running companion recommended.