

## Clackamas River Ranger District

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### THUNDER MOUNTAIN TRAIL # 543

Recommended Season: June to November

Length: 1.0 miles      Use: Light  
Elevation: 4200' to 5200'      Difficulty: More difficult  
USGS Map: Battle Ax NW 1979



Thunder Mountain Trail #543  
Description: (closed to motorized vehicles)

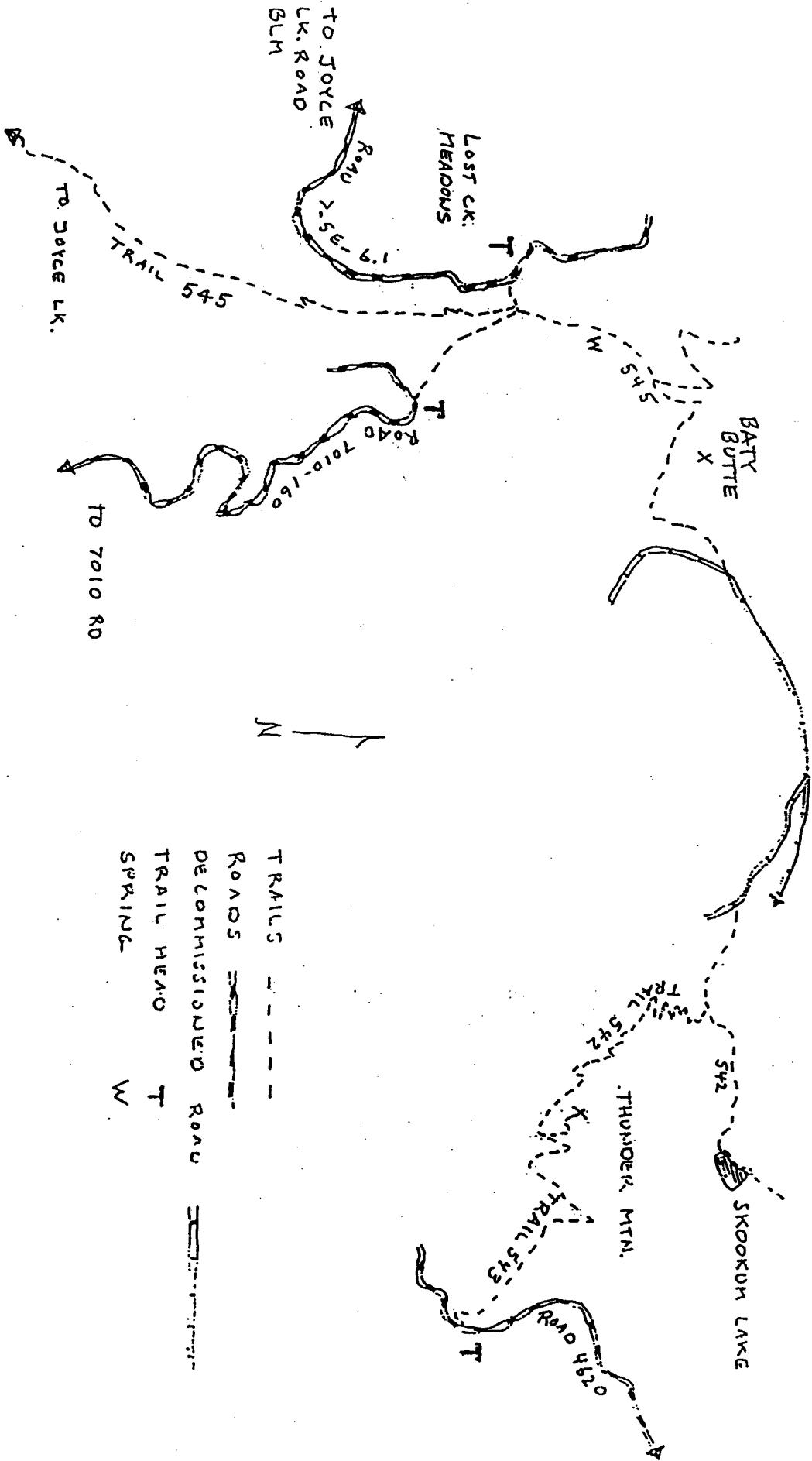
Thunder Mountain trail begins near the end of Road 4620. The trail gently climbs through old growth timber, until you reach a series of switchbacks where the grade increases to 15-20%. Thunder Mountain was an old fire lookout. From this vantage point there are excellent views of the surrounding mountains.

#### Trail Access:

Travel south from Estacada on Highway 224 for 25.6 miles, passing the old Ripplebrook Guard Station. About ½ mile further (at the bridge over the Oak Grove Fork), Highway 224 changes to Forest Road 46. Travel about 3 1/2 miles on Road 46, turning right onto Road 63. Follow the 63 road for about 3 miles turning right on Road 6320. Follow Road 6320 for a mile; take another right onto the 6322 gravel road. Travel up 6322 for approximately 5 miles, bearing left onto Road 4620. Travel 3 miles to the trailhead on the right.

#### Trail Mileage Log:

- 0.0 Leave the trailhead at Forest Road 4620 heading north.
- 0.3 Enter large old growth trees.
- 0.9 Junction to the left with Skookum Lake Trail #542 (1 mile to Skookum Lake).
- 1.0 End of the trail at the top of Thunder Mountain at old fire lookout site. Great view.



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