

WILDERNESS INTEGRITY – LEAVE NO TRACE

Proper Planning & Preparation

- Research the area about your upcoming trip.
- Purchase the required parking permit for the trailhead.
- Buy a map or consider downloading the OnX Hunt App on your phone.
- Study the regulations of the area.
- Plan for unexpected weather changes.
- Prepare and pack food in lightweight, sealable containers.
- Ride and walk on well-established trails to and from camp.

Minimize Ground Impact

- Leave No Trace ethics promote low-impact fires.
- Always use existing campsites that are well established.
- Keep pollutants out of water sources by camping at least 100 feet from water holes, lakes, and streams.
- Camp on durable surfaces.
- Prevent soil erosion by staying on the trail while traveling to and from camp.
 For example, do not cut switchbacks.
- Ride and walk on well-established trails to and from camp.
- Campfires within 100 feet of lakes or posted wetlands are prohibited.

Properly Dispose of Waste

- If you pack it in, pack it out. Always take your trash with you and if you find others' trash, pack it out too.
- Human waste should be buried and covered 6-8 inches deep, at least 200 feet from any water, campsite or trail.
- Never leave toilet paper on the ground.

- If bathing, use very small amounts of biodegradable soap and wash at least 200 feet from any water source.
- When doing dishes, remove all food particles and scatter dirty water away from lakes and streams.

Be Respectful of the Land and Wildlife

- Hunters, dress your game away from water, campsites, and trails.
- Always be considerate and respectful of other humans and wildlife.
- Travel and camp quietly in the backcountry.
- When you are on a trail when you come upon a pack string, step off the trail
 a few feet but make sure the horses and mules can see you, so you do not
 spook them.
- Do your best to not alter the land and campsites such as hammering nails into trees or digging trenches.
- Observe wildlife from a distance. Never feed wildlife or leave behind food for them to eat.
- Leave all plants, rocks, animals, and historical and cultural artifacts as you find them.
- Naturalize the area before you leave.

Wilderness areas are original regions of public land that are non-motorized but provide excellent and extremely varied recreational opportunities for the public. USFS Special Use Permits authorize users like ourselves at Sour Apple Outfitters to help the public safely access remote areas for hunting and camping. It offers us a window to appreciate the land and wildlife in our historical landscapes in the Hells Canyon and Eagle Cap Wilderness.

