



Wilderness Areas along the Pacific Crest Trail

50 years of Wilderness on the PCT

On Sept. 3, 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Wilderness Act into law, recognizing places “where the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain.”

Countless people have passed and will continue to pass through America’s most treasured landscapes, including the 48 wilderness areas that include the Pacific Crest Trail.

The Wilderness Act established the National Wilderness Preservation System and set aside an initial 9.1 million acres of wild lands for the use and benefit of the American people. Over the past 50 years, Congress has added more than 100 million acres to this unique land preservation system.

To learn more about the country’s wilderness areas, visit www.wilderness.net.



Three Sisters Wilderness
Photo by Barney Mann

- 1 **Pasayten Wilderness** – Oct. 2, 1968
- 2 **Stephen Mather Wilderness** – Nov. 16, 1988 (Wash. Park Wilderness Act of 1988)
- 3 **Glacier Peak Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 4 **Henry M. Jackson Wilderness** – July 3, 1984 (Wash. State Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 5 **Alpine Lakes Wilderness** – July 12, 1976 (Alpine Lakes Area Management Act)
- 6 **Norse Peak Wilderness** – July 3, 1984 (Wash. State Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 7 **Mount Rainier Wilderness** – Nov. 16, 1988 (Wash. Park Wilderness Act of 1988)
- 8 **William O. Douglas Wilderness** – July 3, 1984 (Wash. State Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 9 **Goat Rocks Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 10 **Mount Adams Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 11 **Indian Heaven Wilderness** – July 3, 1984 (Wash. State Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 12 **Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness** – June 26, 1984 (Ore. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 13 **Mount Hood Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 14 **Mount Jefferson Wilderness** – Oct. 2, 1968
- 15 **Mount Washington Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 16 **Three Sisters Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)





- 17 **Diamond Peak Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 18 **Mount Thielsen Wilderness** – June 26, 1984 (Oregon Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 19 **Sky Lakes Wilderness** – June 26, 1984 (Ore. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 20 **Soda Mountain Wilderness** – March 30, 2009 (Omnibus Public Lands)
- 21 **Marble Mountain Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 22 **Russian Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 23 **Castle Crags Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 24 **Trinity Alps Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 25 **Lassen Volcanic Wilderness** – Oct. 19, 1972
- 26 **Bucks Lake Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 27 **Granite Chief Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 28 **Desolation Wilderness** – Oct. 10, 1969
- 29 **Mokelumne Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 30 **Carson-Iceberg Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 31 **Hoover Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 32 **Emigrant Wilderness** – Jan. 3, 1975
- 33 **Yosemite Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 34 **Ansel Adams Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 35 **John Muir Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 36 **Sequoia-Kings Canyon Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 37 **Golden Trout Wilderness** – Feb. 24, 1978 (Endangered American Wilderness Act)
- 38 **South Sierra Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 39 **Domeland Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 40 **Chimney Peak Wilderness** – Oct. 31, 1994 (Calif. Desert Protection Act of 1994)
- 41 **Owens Peak Wilderness** – Oct. 31, 1994 (Calif. Desert Protection Act of 1994)
- 42 **Kiavah Wilderness** – Oct. 31, 1994 (Calif. Desert Protection Act of 1994)
- 43 **Pleasant View Ridge Wilderness** – March 30, 2009
- 44 **Sheep Mountain Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)
- 45 **San Gorgonio Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 46 **San Jacinto Wilderness** – Sept. 3, 1964 (Wilderness Act)
- 47 **Beauty Mountain Wilderness** – March 30, 2009 (Omnibus Public Lands)
- 48 **Hauser Wilderness** – Sept. 28, 1984 (Calif. Wilderness Act of 1984)

