

TRAILS
SALOME WILDERNESS

There is a network of “system” trails serving the Salome Wilderness Area and contiguous areas. Their condition varies from satisfactory to very poor. All trails are closed to motor vehicles and mechanical transport such as bikes.

Use a great deal of caution when traveling on backcountry trails such as this one and be aware of the risks you assume.

A few brief comments are in order about the following trail:

Hell's Gate Trail 37: 11 miles in length – and sometimes challenging. While the hiker faces several moderate to steep climbs on the route to Hell's Gate, the real challenge is getting back out. The trail climbs steadily for the first 1.5 – 2 miles leaving Hell's Gate. The last half-mile into Hell's Gate is unsafe for horses. Overnight camps with livestock are strongly discouraged at Hell's Gate. Elevation: 3984 – 5655 feet. Termini: Forest Road 405A and Forest Road 133.

Use of any mechanized or motorized is prohibited on this trail. No more than 15 people are allowed to be in a group. No more than 15 head of livestock are allowed in a group.