



The west end of the trail starts at the Fall River Guard Station, now used as a USFS rental cabin.



Behind the Guard Station, Fall River emerges as a full-blown stream from springs in the basalt bedrock.



A half mile downstream, the trail winds through big ponderosas on a broad bench above the river.



At 0.9 miles, the trail passes by a footbridge over the stream, adjacent to the Fall River Campground.





For the next 2.4 miles, the trail follows the river east, sometimes near the bank, sometimes away from it.



Monkeyflower and butterweed grow from old logs in the stream, with showy yellow blossoms in summer.



In some sections, the trail is the boundary of controlled burns in the ponderosa groves on the uplands.



After 3.3 miles, the east end of the trail terminates at a paved parking area off State Road 42.