



Welcome to the Oregon State University Research Forests!

The Oregon State University Research Forests consist of the McDonald Forest, the Dunn Forest, the Elizabeth Cameron Starker **Demonstration Forest**, and several other forests throughout Oregon. Within the McDonald Forest, you will pass through many forest types including oak woodlands, forest plantations, riparian areas, and old growth reserves.

While the Forests may feel like a public park, they are actually **living laboratories**, managed by the OSU College of Forestry and dedicated to teaching, research, and demonstration. College of Forestry students and faculty use the Research Forests to find new ways of sustainably managing and growing Oregon forests for conservation, education, business, and recreation.

We welcome community members to enjoy our beautiful trails on foot, horseback, or nonmotorized bicycle while learning about forest ecosystems and forest management.



Guidelines & Information

- Motor vehicle access on Forest roads is by
- authorized vehicles only.
- The forest is **closed from 9pm to 5am.** • For your safety, follow all posted trail and road closures. This is a working forest with
- Parking is limited, so if you plan to meet a
- group at the trailhead, carpool instead.
- Travel with caution on forest roads. Logging trucks, authorized vehicles, and other visitors all share the same roads. Vehicles
- have right of way. • McDonald Forest is closed to hunting and
- Protect research by leaving research sites and markings undisturbed and by traveling
- only on authorized roads and trails. • No smoking, fireworks, campfires, barbecues, or open flame.

target shooting.

- No camping, swimming, fishing, firewood cutting, or consumption of marijuana or
- Control pets using voice control or leash. Clean up and carry out pet waste.

Trail Use in Wet Weather

Use of trails is not allowed when travel will result in leaving a track in the mud, or when there is significant standing water on the trail.* This is especially important for natural surface trails such as Dave's, Vineyard Mountain, Beautiful, Bombs Away, No Secret, and High Horse Trails. If trail damage occurs during winter months,

seasonal restrictions will be implemented. *Good wet weather alternatives: Dan's, Upper and Lower

Horse, Extendo, Uproute, Ridge, and Alpha.

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McDonald, Dunn, and Cameron **Research Forests**

MULTI-USE ROAD AND TRAIL MAP







Be Part of the Solution!

Parking is limited, and trailheads can get congested. Here's how you can help:

- Carpool from a central location • Ride, run, or hike to the Forest
- Visit lower-use trailheads or during an active forest management program.
 - quieter times **Drive slowly and carefully** on your way to
 - the Forest. Expect to see cars pulling out of driveways, wildlife, bikes, kids, horses, runners, and dogs at any time on these
 - residential roads. Remember that we all share the Forest. Drive and park safely, only visit during
 - open hours, keep dogs close to you or on a leash, and
 - be friendly with your fellow For **more information** and **tips** on how to get
 - to the trailhead without your car, and to view a webcam of the Oak Creek Parking Area, visit https://cf.forestry.oregonstate.edu/recreation/ alternative-trailhead-transportation

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- Email sign-ups Facebook
- Volunteer
- Donate to support trails

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