

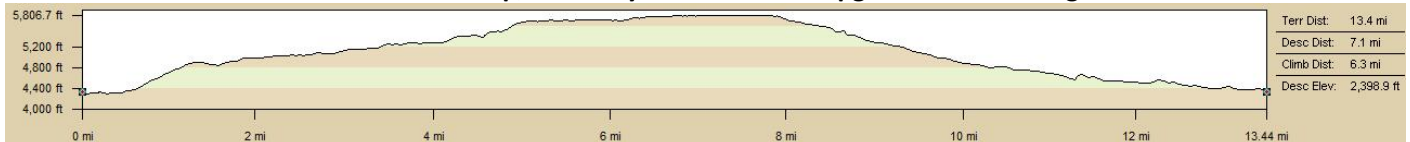
Route Name: Valley View Ridge Loop

Number.....#18

## Prairie City Bicycle Invitational

Dates Supported.....Free wheel  
 Ride Type.....Mountain or X-bike with dirt tires & front shocks  
 Difficulty.....Technical – 2, Physical – II (scale 1–5 & I–V)  
 Time required.....2–3 hours (approximate)  
 Lowest gear ratio on test bike.....30 Rear X 39 Front  
 Necessary Supplies.....1<sup>st</sup> aid, extra clothing, snacks, maps & beverage

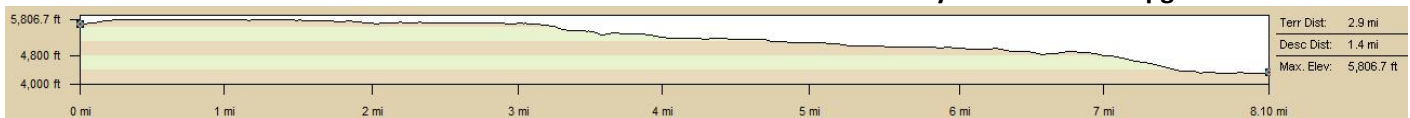
Profile of entire loop, from Reynolds Creek Campground and circling back



### General Description

The climb portion of the profile above reflects the 5.29 miles from Reynolds Creek Campground to where the Route takes off onto FS 945. The grade averages 8° but the road surface is good, so strong riders won't mind. However, getting to wait for you back at Reynolds Creek Campground -- feet dangling in the cool water of Reynolds Creek while reading a good book -- might be persuasion enough to get a sag driver to deliver you up to FS 945.

Profile of section from where FS Road 946 leaves 759 – 206 to Reynolds Creek Campground



Beyond the short climb after FS 945 leaves FS 759 – 206 is nothing but gravy, some of the most enjoyable riding around because only sumptuous cruising on flat and down runs remain (lots of it), as technical as you want to make it by lying off the brakes. You'll probably though choose to take your time because this is ridgeline, giving picturesque distant views.

### Route Directions

- Start point ..... Reynolds Creek Campground, southeast out of Prairie City via CR 62 (7.8 miles), then 4 miles on Reynolds Creek Road (FS 2635). Campground is well signed and visible on the right side of the road.
- 0.0 miles ..... Continue on FS 2635
- 5.29 miles ..... Route takes FS 945 left
- 7.51 miles ..... Ridge crest appear on right with fence running along it
- 8.36 miles ..... Road pitch steepens on run down to road end
- 8.66 miles ..... FS 945 ends with fence bordering on right. Search along fence to find where ATV track extends down slope beyond the fence, there you will see that the barbed wire fence has a crude "fulcrum" gate that you can open; pass through then shut it behind you.
- 8.74 miles ..... ATV track reaches FS 629 (unsigned), follow FS 629 left
- 9.12 miles ..... Drinking troughs; green elongated one on left (not in use) and black round one on right
- 10.23 miles ..... Route crosses ridge & cattle guard
- 10.38 miles ..... FS 616 (unmarked) merges from left
- 10.58 miles ..... Green metal gate (open)at cattle guard
- 13.27 miles ..... Route ends at junction with 2635, across from Reynolds Creek Camp Ground

