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**Todd Lake Trailhead Inaccessible due to Washout**

*BEND* – Due to heavy runoff from snowmelt in the Todd Lake Basin, the parking area for the Todd Lake Trailhead is inaccessible due to a washout of the access road.

Todd Creek is overflowing its banks and has carved out a deep channel that bisects the road. At this point, snow banks do not allow access to the location of the washout or to the trailhead parking area. However, the public can still access Todd Lake by non-motorized means.

Parking is available along the Todd Lake Road off the Cascade Lakes Highway, but is limited due to terrain and vegetation. People parking along the Todd Lake Road should park so as not to affect vegetation or block limited turnarounds. Please do not park in the meadow at the junction with the Cascade Lakes Highway.

Todd Lake is still approximately two-thirds frozen over, and there are still two to three feet of snow in areas around the lake. As such, wildflowers are not viewable at this time. If you do visit Todd Lake, be sure to dress appropriately and wear appropriate foot gear for snowy and wet conditions.

Road repair of the washout will not occur until the amount of runoff recedes. If you'd like further information on this situation, contact Les Moscoso, project team leader, at 383-4712.

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