Pika Point Loop, 16.59 Miles

Ride Description:

0.00 Begin riding from the parking lot. The trailhead is fairly obvious and is located just downhill from the parking lot. After passing around the gate, continue on the left-most trail which begins to climb.

1.61 Pass through a fence after an arduous climb. An abandoned Forest Service trail intersects from the left. Continue to climb. The trail will eventually come to a summit, then descend into a stand of trees.

3.39 Intersection with trail to Sage Creek which passes through a fence line. Stay right on double track. Continue on double track for several miles through rolling terrain with incredible mountain views. Sage Peak lies due south.

7.60 Intersection with Forest Service Trail #74. Stay left and follow double track.

8.30 Intersection with Trail #203 to Sage Creek. Stay right on double track.

9.33 Intersection. Follow trail markers to right up lesser trail. Trail climbs toward ridge line where it fades. Continue working your way toward the ridge and to the left until you find the trail again in .2 miles. After reaching the summit of Pika Point, the trail fades again. Follow the orange markers in a NE direction (stay left) until the trail resumes and begins a technical descent.

13.18 Intersection with trail #35. Turn right.

14.69 Intersection with trail #74. Continue straight.

15.14 Cross creek then trail merges from right. Continue straight up short side hill section.

15.49 After side-hill climb, veer left onto lesser trail which is marked with wooden posts. This is the new and official trail.

16.59 End of loop. Trailhead parking.
Getting There:
From Grizzly Outfitters, turn Left onto the Big Sky Spur Road (Hwy 64). Proceed 1.5 miles to Hwy 191. Turn Right heading South to Taylor Fork Road (about 14 miles). Proceed 3.73 miles on Taylor Fork Road. Turn Left at intersection with FS 2522 and continue another 1.7 miles to trailhead parking on Left. A word of caution: This area is frequented by bears—especially grizzlies. Maximize your presence.

Rules of the Trail
The way we ride today shapes mountain bike trail access tomorrow. Do your part to preserve and enhance our sport’s access and image by observing the following rules of the trail, formulated by IMBA, the International Mountain Bicycling Association. These rules are recognized around the world as the standard code of conduct for mountain bikers. IMBA’s mission is to promote mountain bicycling that is environmentally sound and socially responsible.

1. Ride On Open Trails Only.
   Respect trail and road closures (ask if uncertain); avoid trespassing on private land; obtain permits or other authorization as may be required. Federal and state Wilderness areas are closed to cycling. The way you ride will influence trail management decisions and policies.

2. Leave No Trace.
   Be sensitive to the dirt beneath you. Recognize different types of soils and trail construction; practice low-impact cycling. Wet and muddy trails are more vulnerable to damage. When the trailbed is soft, consider other riding options. Also means staying on existing trails and not creating new ones. Don’t cut switchbacks. Be sure to park out at least as much as you pack in.

3. Control Your Bicycle
   Inattention for even a second can cause problems. Obey all bicycle speed regulations and recommendations.

4. Always Yield Trail.
   Let your fellow trail users know you’re coming. A friendly greeting or bell is considered and works well; don’t startle others. Show your respect when passing by sloping to a walking pace or even stopping. Anticipate other trail users around corners or in blind spots. Yielding means slow down, establish communication, be prepared to stop if necessary and pass safely.

5. Never Scare Animals
   All animals are startled by an unannounced approach, a sudden movement, or a loud noise. This can be dangerous for you, others, and the animals. Give animals extra room and time to adjust to you. When passing horses use special care and follow directions from the horseback riders (ask if uncertain). Running cattle and disturbing wildlife is a serious offense. Leave gates as you found them, or as marked.

6. Plan Ahead.
   Know your equipment, your ability, and the area in which you are riding — and prepare accordingly. Be self-sufficient at all times, keep your equipment in good repair, and carry necessary supplies for changes in weather or other conditions. A well-executed trip is a satisfaction to you and not a burden to others. Always wear a helmet and appropriate safety gear.
   Keep trails open by setting a good example of environmentally sound and socially responsible off-road cycling.

Two Rental Locations
Mountain Bike Rentals
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Grizzly Outfitters
Arrowhead Mall
On the Mountain

1/2 Day  Daily  3 Day  5 Day
Full Suspension Freeride 35.00  45.00  40.00/  35.00/day day day
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Hard Tail 20.00  25.00  20.00/  15.00/day day day
Kid’s Mountain Bike 12.00  18.00  15.00/  12.00/day day day
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- Bike rental rates do include helmet.
- Rental rates do not include lift ticket for Big Sky Resort.
- Shin and elbow pads available for rental.
- Full-face helmets available as an upgrade.
- Guides are available. Please call Grizzly Outfitters for availability and pricing.

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