

# SHARPS CREEK RECREATION SITE

The Bureau of Land Management  
Northwest Oregon District



## WELCOME TO SHARPS CREEK RECREATION SITE!

Step off the beaten path and explore a delightful gem nestled in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains with ties to the historic Bohemia Mining District, 40 miles southeast of Cottage Grove. The site offers an intimate, 10-unit campground, day-use picnicking area, and a nearby swimming hole formed naturally among rounded boulders at the base of an overlook extending above Sharps Creek. Cool and delightful waters entice the visitor to swim or simply “dabble” along the bank while enjoying the surrounding beauty of the forest. For those with a penchant for gold panning, the site offers exciting opportunities to try one’s skill and luck!



## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- CAMPGROUND IS OPEN** Memorial Day weekend through early fall. Fees are charged for campground use; day use at the creek overlook and swimming area is available at no charge.
- RECREATIONAL PANNING** is allowed June 1 through September 15. Sluicing and suction dredging with hoses (4” diameter or less) is allowed July 1 through September 1 provided that the activity does not interfere with other recreational activities. Contact the BLM office for more information regarding panning restrictions.

## DIRECTIONS

Take Cottage Grove exit 174 from Interstate Highway 5. Turn left onto Row River Road and follow signs to Dorena Lake (Approximately 4 miles). Continue straight on Shoreview Drive for 6.6 miles to rejoin Row River Road (covered bridge to the right). Continue traveling east 4.2 miles to Sharps Creek Road. Turn right and continue 3.1 miles. The campground is located on the right side of the road; the day use area is on the left.

## CONTACT INFO



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## POINT OF INTEREST

The Row River National Recreation Trail/ Covered Bridges State Scenic Bikeway is located less than 4 miles northwest of Sharps Creek Recreation Site.





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**LEGEND**

- Parking
- Campground
- Accessible Campground
- Accessible Restroom
- Picnic Table
- Waste Water Sump
- Foot Trail
- Fence
- Road
- BLM

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