

Pierce County Chapter of BCHW

Join PCC for horse camping at BBQ Flats in the Wenas Valley near Selah, WA. May 17-20 2018. The Wenas Valley is

LET'S GO TO THE WARM SIDE

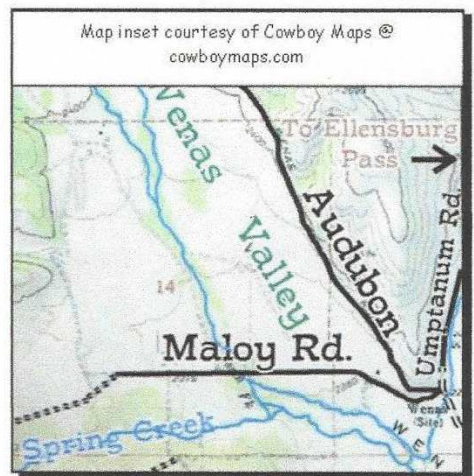
a favorite for us: generally dry & warm this time of year, easy but interesting country, great opportunity for first time campers. Be sure and contact Jim Sharbono 253.307.5358 shareinvestmentsjs@gmail.com, if you're coming; horse water only.

Directions to Wenas from Ellensburg

Hwy 97 South to Yakima, Exit 26 to Hwy 821 westbound towards Selah in 3/10 mile turn left on Hwy 823/ Harrison road. Go 1.9 miles you will come to a stop sign, turn Right on North Wenas Road 20 miles to Malory road (left) at end of pavement after cattle guard. Follow the signs to BBQ Flats.

Directions from Naches

Driving Eastbound on Hwy 12 into Naches turn left on Allen Road (at Allen Cold Storage Warehouse) and go to Old Naches Highway; turn left on Old Naches Hwy and then turn right up the hill (Wenas Grade) on Naches-Wenas Road (large old barn on south side) ; stay left, becomes Longmire Road; follow for two miles to North Wenas Road. Turn left on North Wenas Road and follow for ten miles (past Wenas Lake) to end of paved road/crossing cattle guard. At the Malory Rd. go left, follow signs, you can't miss it.



GET YOUR GEAR IN ORDER

Pre-trip Planning

- Acquire trail map(s) (both locally made and Green Trails maps) and talk to other riders that know the area; research regulations (get DNR or USFS permits); feed restrictions (get weed-free hay); water conditions (if your stock balks at strange water, add flavoring or electrolytes) ; fire regulations (bring dry firewood, if allowed).

Preparing Stock

- Bring only your best animal with an attitude suited for the trail environment: **STRONG** recommendation that the animal is shod.
- Schedule instruction from an experienced trail riding instructor, if necessary.
- Condition your stock for water crossings, trail hazards, trip length and altitude.
- Train your stock to catch quickly or have it corralled the night before your trip.
- Practice trailer loading and unloading before the trip to the trailhead.