

Appendix B. Places

Precontact History and Cultural Legacy of Forest Research Sites in Southwestern Oregon

This table lists a majority of the names of rivers, peaks, creeks, gulches, lakes, towns, ghost towns, and other landmarks mentioned in text and shown on maps in this report, with a particular focus in the immediate areas of the China Gulch, Humbug, and Shoestring forest research plots. Because these areas share a common history of white intrusion, Indian warfare, gold mining, private land ownership, farming, and forestry -- and because names of landmarks often change over time -- this listing of named locations covers a fairly large portion of the southwest Oregon landscape.

This is intended to be a work in progress, and to be eventually put online in hypertext format for more general research and educational uses.

Indian Names, 1826-1851. Southwest Oregon Indian names on the landscape are given in some detail in Gray (1987). A few names from Pullen (1996) are listed where specific to this report.

Historical Names, 1826-1980. These names have been derived from Walling (1884), Carey (1971), Johnson (1978), Black & Black (1990), and historical maps; mostly Metskers (1941-1967).

Table 1. Alphabetical Listing of Landscape Names, 1826-1980. These names have gained common usage over time.

Table 2. Geographical Listing of Landscape Names by Legal Descriptions, 1854-1980. Southwest Oregon began to be legally surveyed by the General Land Office (GLO) in 1854, beginning at which time enduring landscape names were given precise legal descriptions.

“Legal.” Tsp. are all S. (“six-mile wide consecutively numbered north-south ‘Townships’ are all ‘south’ of the Willamette Stone, near Portland, Oregon”); and Rngs. are all W., (“six-mile wide consecutively numbered east-west ‘Ranges’ are all ‘west’ of the Willamette Stone), unless designated otherwise (e.g., Bloody Point is south and east, not west, of the Willamette Stone, and will be shown as such, once a legal description is located. The tabular format is: Tsp.-Rng.-Sec (e.g.; “38-04-22” is equivalent to the accepted legal description of “Tsp. 38 S., Rng. 4 W., Sec. 22.” Sec. is one of 36 consistently numbered square-mile “Sections” formed by the intersection of a Township and a Range. The entire 36-mile square is also referred to as a “Township.” Or Tsp.

Indian Names, 1826-1851. Important pre-1852 southwest Oregon Indian townsites and locations

Buncom. Confluence of the Little Applegate and Sterling Creek (Walling 216; Pullen 1996, App. I: 2-3), possible location of historical “Applegate John” Dakubetede townsite.

Dilomi, “Unusually large” Takelma town near Gold Hill first reported by Ogden in 1827 (Pullen 1996, App. I: 6).

Hudedut. Takelma town located near the mouth of the Applegate River (Pullen 1996, App. I: 2).

Point of Rocks (Rocky Point). Location of regional annual “first salmon” ceremony (caught with a “dipnet . . . at big hole by waterfall”); the only known location of such a ceremony in southwest Oregon (Pullen 1996, App. I: 12, 25).

Tututuni Rogue River.

Takhoopee Applegate River (Pullen 1996, App. I: 3).

Talsalsan Athapaskan trading center at Illinois River waterfall [“**Tiwikh**”] (Pullen 1996, App. I: 3)

Tatmelmal Athapascan town near mouth of Applegate River, near “swamp” and surrounded by “brush” (likely willow) thickets. Renowned for good fishing, particularly for steelhead (“**Yuls**”). (Pullen 1996, App. I: 3, 23)

Tilomikh Falls along Illinois River, near a major **Gusladada** town, **Talsalsan**. Harrington reported 21 house pits along the south side of the river, below the falls. (Pullen 1996)

Squaw Lakes. Possible home of **Tipsu Tyee**, “mysterious” and “enigmatic” (Walling 1884) Shasta leader that visited Jacksonville regularly during the 1850s.

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Name	County	Legal	References
Applegate	Jackson	38-04-22	Black: 156-162, Johnson: 84; McArthur: 20; Metsker
Applegate Lake (1980)	Jackson		Black: 148-150
Applegate River	Jackson	38-03	Black: 149; Johnson: 223; McArthur: 20; Metsker
Baldy Peak	Jackson	40-03-15	Metsker
Balls Branch	Jackson	38-04-14	Metsker
Big Bend	Jackson		McArthur: 61
Big Meadows (1)	Curry	32-10-36	McArthur: 61; 288
Big Meadows (2)	Jackson		McArthur: 61
Billy Mountain	Jackson	38-04-09	Metsker
Bloody Point	Klamath		
Bloody Run	Josephine		McArthur: 67
Bloody Spring	Josephine	33-07-17	McArthur: 379; Walling: 464; Victor: 352-355
Bolt	Jackson		McArthur: 72
Bolt Mountain	Josephine		McArthur: 72
Buncom	Jackson	39-02-18	McArthur: 93, 701; Metsker; Walling 216
Bunny Meadows	Jackson	38-03-08	Metsker
Canyon Mountain	Douglas	31-05-03	Metsker
Carberry Creek	Jackson		McArthur: 127
China Gulch	Jackson	38-03-28	Black: 91; Metsker
Copper	Jackson	41-04-02	McArthur: 176
Council Creek	Douglas		McArthur: 183
Cow Creek	Douglas		McArthur: 185; Walling: 424
Cow Creek Valley	Douglas	31-06	McArthur: 185; Metsker; Walling: 424
Deadhorse Branch	Jackson	38-04-13	Metsker
Deadhorse Spring	Jackson	38-04-13	Metsker
Deer Creek (1)	Douglas		McArthur: 212
Deer Creek (2)	Josephine		Walling: 452
Eight Dollar Mountain	Josephine		McArthur: 247
Evans (nee Battle) Creek	Jackson		McArthur: 264; Walling: 218-220)
Foots Creek	Josephine		Walling: 185-187; McArthur: 72
Forest (nee Jackass) Creek (1910)	Jackson	38-03-28	Black: 14; Metsker
Fort Lamerick	Curry	33-10-01	McArthur: 61; 288
Fort Lane	Jackson		McArthur: 289; Walling: 231
Gold Bluff Mine		31-05-04	Metsker
Gold Hill	Jackson		McArthur: 319; Walling: 328
Grave Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 331
Huckleberry Mine			
Humbug Creek	Jackson	38-04-22	McArthur: 378; Metsker
Hungry Hill	Josephine	33-07-17	Metsker; 379; Walling: 464
Illahee	Jackson		
Indian Creek	Jackson	41-04-04	Metsker
Jackass Gulch			
Jerome Prairie	Josephine		McArthur: 395
Jumpoff Joe Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 403
LeClair, X. DLC	Jackson	38-03-28	Metsker

Limpy Creek			
Little Applegate River	Jackson	39-03-10	McArthur: 20, 449
Logtown	Jackson		
Long Gulch	Jackson	38-03-30	Metsker
Long, G. DLC	Jackson	38-03-30	Metsker
Lucky Boy	Jackson	38-03-22	Metsker
Matney Gulch	Jackson	38-03-29	Metsker
Medicine Rock			
Middle Creek	Douglas		
Missouri Flat	Jackson		
Mitchell Creek		30-05-31	Metsker
Mooney Mountain	Josephine		McArthur: 505; Walling: 452
Mount Baldy	Jackson	39-03-07	Metsker
Mount Isabelle	Jackson	37-03-31	McArthur: 517; Metsker
Mud Spring	Jackson	38-03-19	Metsker
Murphy	Josephine		McArthur: 530
Murphy Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 530
Negro (nee Nigger) Ben Mountain (1964)	Jackson	39-03-06	McArthur: 536; Metsker
O'Brien Creek	Jackson	38-03-29	Metsker
O'Brien Gulch	Jackson	38-04-24	Metsker
O'Brien Spring	Jackson	38-03-19	Metsker
O'Brien, J. DLC	Jackson	38-04-25	Metsker
Oak Flat			Walling: 279
Offenbacher Gulch	Jackson	38-03-30	Metsker
Offenbacher Point	Jackson	38-03-32	Metsker
Oregon Belle Creek	Jackson	38-03-05	Metsker
Oregon Belle Mine	Jackson	38-03-06	Metsker
Packers Gulch	Jackson	38-04-14	Metsker
Panther Gulch	Jackson	38-03-18	Metsker
Poormans Creek	Jackson	38-03-14	Metsker
Rock Point (nee Point of Rocks)	Jackson		McArthur: 628; Walling: 185-187
Ruch	Jackson	38-03-27	Black; McArthur: 638; Metsker
Shoestring Creek	Douglas		
Shoestring Valley	Douglas	30-06	Metsker
Slate Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 795
Spencer Gulch	Jackson	38-03-33	Metsker
Spencer, W. DLC	Jackson	38-03-28	Metsker
Squaw Creek	Jackson		
Squaw Lakes	Jackson	40-03-35	Metsker
Squaw Peak	Jackson	40-03-24	Metsker
Star Gulch	Jackson	39-03-28	Metsker
Steamboat	Jackson	40-04-22	McArthur 699; Metsker
Sterling Creek	Jackson	39-02-18	McArthur 701; 701; Metsker; Walling: 228
Sterlingville	Jackson	39-02-18	McArthur 701; Metsker
Sturgis Mine	Jackson	38-03-10	Metsker
Sugarloaf	Jackson	38-04-12	Metsker
Sunset Gap			
Table Rocks	Jackson		McArthur: 706
Tallowbox Mountain	Jackson	39-04-11	McArthur: 717; Metsker
Tellurium Peak	Douglas		McArthur: 721

Thompson, W. DLC	Jackson	38-04-22	Metsker
Umpqua (now Canyon Creek) Canyon	Douglas		McArthur: 120
Wellington Butte	Jackson	38-03-18	Metsker
Wilderville (nee Slate Creek)	Josephine		McArthur: 795
Williams	Josephine		McArthur: 800
Williams (nee Horsehead) Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 799; Walling: 458
Williams (nee Williamsburg)	Josephine	38-05-05	McArthur: 799; Metsker
Winkle Bar	Curry		McArthur: 807
Woodrat Mountain	Jackson	38-03-36	Metsker

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Case (nee Cash) Creek			Johnson: 16
Cash Rock			Johnson: 16
Limpy Creek			
Medicine Rock			
Oak Flat			Black: 17; Walling: 279
St. John Creek			
Sunset Gap			
Winkle Bar	Curry		McArthur: 807
Canyon Creek (nee Umpqua) Canyon	Douglas		McArthur: 120
Council Creek	Douglas		McArthur: 183
Cow Creek	Douglas		McArthur: 185; Walling: 424
Deer Creek (1)	Douglas		McArthur: 212
Middle Creek	Douglas		
Russell Creek	Douglas		
Shoestring Creek	Douglas		
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Big Bend	Jackson		McArthur: 61
Big Meadows (2)	Jackson		McArthur: 61
Bolt	Jackson		McArthur: 72
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Gold Hill	Jackson		McArthur: 319; Walling: 328
Illahee	Jackson		
Jackass Gulch	Jackson		Black: 14
Logtown	Jackson		
Missouri Flat	Jackson		
Rock Point (nee Point of Rocks)	Jackson		McArthur: 628; Walling: 185-187
Squaw Creek	Jackson		
Squires Peak	Jackson		Black: 69
Table Rocks	Jackson		McArthur: 706
Uniontown	Jackson		Black: 56
Bloody Run	Josephine		McArthur: 67
Bolt Mountain	Josephine		McArthur: 72
Deer Creek (2)	Josephine		Walling: 452
Eight Dollar Mt.	Josephine		McArthur: 247
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Murphy	Josephine		McArthur: 530
Murphy Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 530
Slate Creek	Josephine		McArthur: 795
Wilderville	Josephine		McArthur: 795
Williams	Josephine		McArthur: 800

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