

**BCHU Chapter:** West Desert

**Name of Trailhead:** Left Hand Fork, Settlement Canyon

**Names of Trails:** Left Hand Fork, Dark Trail

**Direction to Trail from the parking area:** East

**Elevation at Trailhead:** Spring Flats, 5444 ft

**Position:** N40 30.099 W112 17.313

**Property of:** Tooele County

**Restrictions:** ATVs. Controlled canyon. Must pay to get in and will be recorded.

**Diffuculty:** moderate

**Horse level of fitness:** Moderately Fit

**Directions from:** Tooele

**Driving Directions:** Follow Main Street (Hwy 36) through Tooele. Top the hill on the south end of town and continue on Hwy 36 SW 0.3 miles and turn left on Settlement Canyon road. Go through the gate (cost \$2) 0.8 miles up the road. Continue on ½ mile, over the cattle-guard and turn right. You will see the parking area, campground, and corals on your right. There is a toilet, water (creek) for horses, and improved campground there. There is a pavilion that can be rented for large groups south of the campground with a playground for children.

**Trail Route Directions:** Go out the small gate in the SE corner of the campground. Go back out on the road and directly across Settlement Canyon Road. The trail head is marked. Follow the trail up Left Hand Fork ½ mile. You will cross a small creek and cross the road to Camp Wapiti. Continue on the trail on the north side of the road to the Camp Wapiti gate. Turn sharply left and follow the trail through scrub oak and up the draw. When the trail forks, take the 2<sup>nd</sup> left fork and ride it up and behind Camp Wapiti. Continue along mountain side until the trail drops to the bottom and intersects with Dark Trail (along the bottom of the canyon). Turn northwest and follow Dark Trail down the canyon and around Camp Wapiti and back to camp.

**Type of Route:** loop

**Route Distance:** 4.5 Miles

**Estimated Ride Duration:** 2 Hours

**Attractions:** scenery, conditioning, small creek crossings

**Ride accessible from May until November**

**Comfort Ranges**

**fall:** warm to cold

**winter:** cold to cold

**spring:** cool to warm

**summer:** cool to hot

**General Description of Route:** single track trail.

**Predominant Trail Surface:** dirt

**Other Surfaces:** loose rock

**Features:** small creek and grazing

**Hazards:** steep drop offs, there are many trails and it's easy to get on a wrong trail.

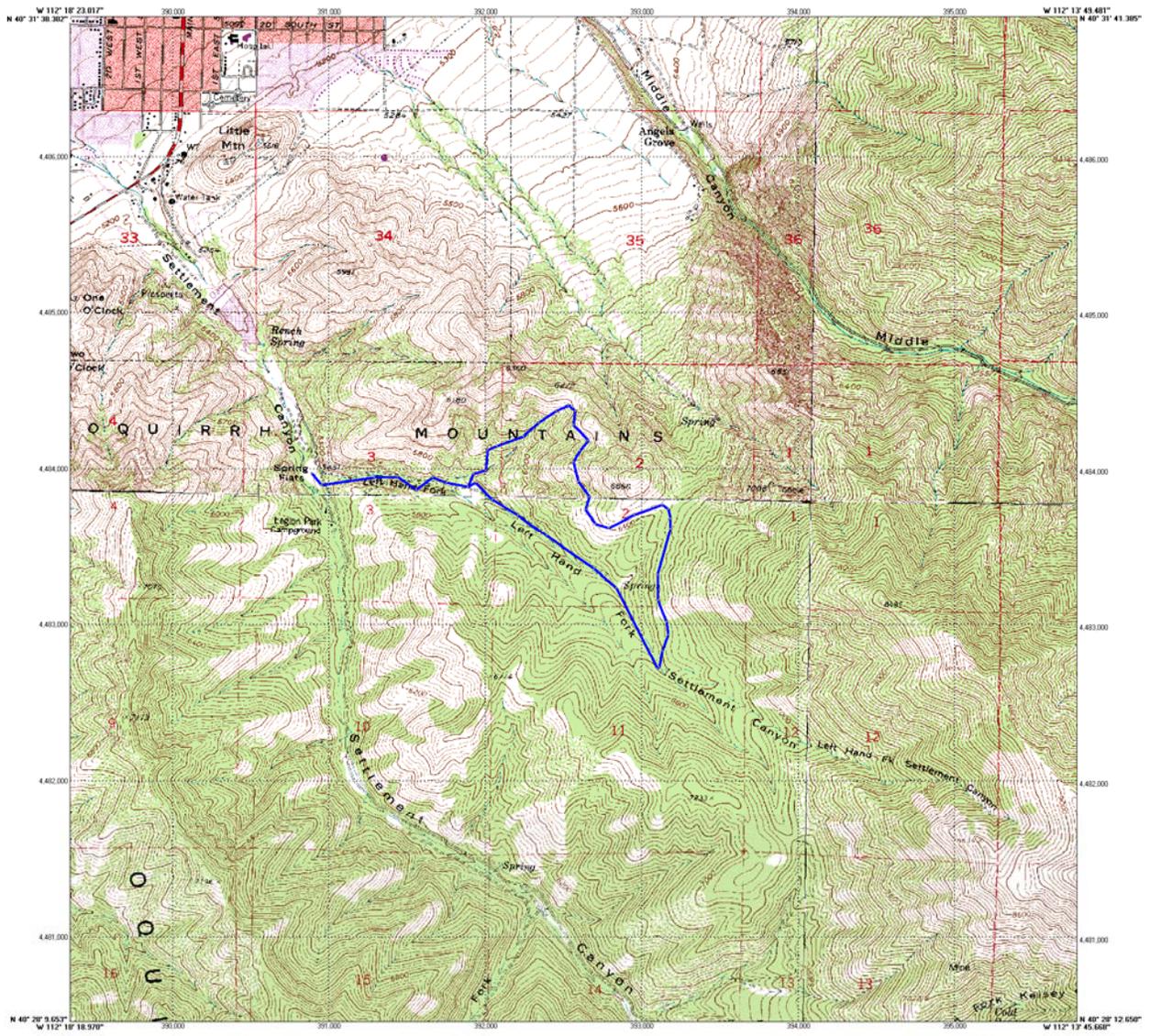
**Use by Hikers:** low

**Use by Bicycles:** low

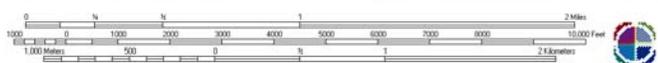
**Use by ATVs:** not allowed

**In Case of Emergency:** Call 911

*Additional Notes: This is a great day ride. Dark Trail is all under trees and in the shade. You can also ride south on Dark Trail, over the saddle (Bear Trap) and down the Mountain Fuel road. There are also rides up the Right Hand Fork of the canyon. This is a weekend campout with several rides, and a beautiful autumn ride. The views from the faces are awesome. Don't go beyond gates onto private land without permission of land owners.*



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