

Morgan Horse Trail

Non-Motorized year round trail

- Tread:** Dirt surface, 4' wide
Length: 2 miles (3.2 kilometers)
Difficulty: Easy to moderate
Activity: Summer - hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding
Winter - cross-country skiing, dog mushing, skijoring, horseback riding
Trailhead: Large parking area; public toilet facilities; picnic tables; great viewpoint
Manager: MSB Parks and Outdoor Recreation Division (Phone 745-9690)
Volunteer Trail Care Crew: vacant

How to get there

The Morgan Horse Trail can be accessed in three locations, from the Lazy Mountain recreation area, from the east end of Smith Road (Matanuska Peak Trailhead), or from the east end of Maud Road (Plumley-Maud Trailhead).

1) Access to the trail from Lazy Mountain Recreation Area: From Palmer go east on the Old Glenn Highway, 2 1/2 miles from Palmer take a left on Clark-Wolverine Road, proceed 1/2 mile to a T intersection, take a right on Huntley Road, follow it to the end, take a right on Mountain Trail down the hill to the Lazy Mountain Recreation Area.

2) Access from Smith Road (Matanuska Peak Trailhead): From Palmer go east on the Old Glenn Highway, 3 1/2 miles from Palmer take a left Smith Road; follow Smith Road east to the end of the road and Matanuska Peak Trailhead.

3) Access from Maud Road: From Palmer go east on the Old Glenn Highway, 5 miles from Palmer take a left on Maud Road, follow Maud Road for 1 1/2 miles. There is no parking where the Morgan Horse trail intersects Maud Road; however trail users may park at the end of Maud Road, approximately 1/4 mile further up the road where pavement ends.

General description

The Morgan Horse Trail is a non-motorized year round trail which is located between the Lazy

Mountain recreation area on the north end and Maud Road on the south end. It provides connections to the Lazy Mountain Trail (non-motorized), Matanuska Peak Trail (non-motorized) and the Plumley-Maud Trail (multi-use). It traverses the lower slope of Lazy Mountain and can be muddy in the spring or after heavy rains.

From the Lazy Mountain Trailhead the trail travels southeast through the recreation area, once it leaves the Lazy Mountain recreation area it follows a section line easement going due south to Maud Road. The area is forested with large cottonwood, white spruce and birch. The trail passes close by residential areas, so please respect private property

Trail uses

The Morgan Horse Trail is maintained by the MSB Parks and Outdoor Recreation Division. Summer use includes hiking, mountain biking, and horse back riding. Winter uses include cross-country skiing, horse back riding, dog mushing, and skijoring.

***Take note**

Dogs must be on leash and under your control. Bears and other wildlife are native to the area and proper precautions should be taken to make your presence known.

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