
Hugo's Emigrant Applegate Trail (*Trail*) Map Quads

At one level the goal of the Hugo Emigrant Trails Committee to collect and record information about Hugo's emigrant trails, especially its two historic 1855 - 1856 roads of the *Trail* as surveyed and mapped by the General Land Office (GLO).¹

- **Road from Willamette Valley to Jacksonville (route of the Applegate Trail)**
- **Road to Illinois Valley via Van Noys Ferry (route of the Applegate Trail from Widow Niday's place to ferry location on Rogue River)**

The *Trail* routes of interest are collectively approximately 17-18 miles long from Louse Creek in the south to Grave Creek in the north.

South to north five USGS topographic quadrangles cover the geographic area for the *Trail* in and adjacent to Hugo, Oregon. They are all in Josephine County, Oregon (7.5 minute topographic series, scale 1:24,000, and contour interval 40 feet).

- (1) **Grants Pass, OR Quadrangle - 1996**
- (2) **Sexton Mountain, OR Quadrangle - 1996**
- (3) **Wilderville Quadrangle, OR - 1996**
- (4) **Merlin, OR Quadrangle - 1998**
- (5) **Glendale, OR Quadrangle - 1996**

These quadrangles can be purchased from the Forest Service and BLM Interagency Office, 2164 N.E. Spalding Avenue, Grants Pass, OR 97526.

1. Hugo Neighborhood. 2005. Public Outreach & Educational Brochure Program: Hugo's Emigrant Trails. Hugo, OR.

2. Office of National Trails Preservation & Oregon-California Trails Association (P.O. box 1019, Independence, MO, 64051-0519, 816-252-2276, octa@indepmo.org). July 2002, 4th edition. *Mapping Emigrants Trails MET Field Manual*.

Map Codes For Hugo's Quads & Point of Interests (POIs)

The foundation for Hugo's map quad codes is the Oregon-California Trails Association's (OCTA) mapping emigrant trails (MET) program.² The OCTA's coding system comprises six letters-numbers: the first two designate the state involved, the second two designate the trail name, and the third two are the sequential number of the quadrangle for the trail within the state. For example, CA-LA-06 is the sixth map on the Lassen Trail in California.

- (1) **Grants Pass, OR Quadrangle - 22**
- (2) **Sexton Mountain, OR Quadrangle - 23**
- (3) **Wilderville Quadrangle, OR - 24**
- (4) **Merlin, OR Quadrangle - 25**
- (5) **Glendale, OR Quadrangle - 26**

On October 5, 2010 the Mapping and Marking Chair, NW Chapter of OCTA assigned quadrangle numbers for Hugo's area of interest.⁴

Walker assumes that meant that had been no previous work in Western Oregon on the Applegate Trail.

Over time the Hugo trail inventory program added fourteen (14) more letters/numbers to the OCTA's codes

Map & POI Code Purposes

OR-AT-00-34-06-11/14-E-JA-16

OR = Oregon; AT = Applegate Trail; 00 = default quadrangle number; 34 = Township 34 South; 06 = Range 6 West; 11/14 = section line between sections 11 and 14; E = an east GLO surveyed direction on the section line; JA = road from Willamette Valley to Jacksonville; and 16 = the 16th POI of the JA. Not part of the code is the common name for the POI = South Rat Creek.

The 19 letter/number POI identification code will serve several purposes.

1. Database. Every map can be entered into a computer database using the code and quad name, plus any additional relevant information. This will provide a means of storing, cataloging, and retrieving POIs that is compatible with OCTA's MET program.
2. Filing. Each completed map can be filed for ready reference and accessed when corrections and revisions are made and when users request photocopies for research or preservation purposes.
3. Monitoring. With the map code, the map database can serve as a ready means to monitor the status of the *Trail* in the Hugo region.

Want more information? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*, or a member of the Hugo Emigrant Trails Committee on how you can become involved in this project.

3. Hugo Neighborhood. 2005. Public Outreach & Educational Brochure Program: Hugo's Emigrant Trails. Hugo, OR.

4. Pittock, Henry, Mapping & Marking Chair, NW Chapter of OCTA. October 5, 2010 Email to Mike Walker, Hugo Neighborhood. OR.

Hugo Emigrant Trails Committee

Hugo is blessed with a rich heritage of historic roads, rough though they were. The *Hugo Emigrant Trails Committee* was formed to bring together all those who want to learn more about the early transportation in the area, from the casual admirer to the dedicated researcher. Its aim is to collect and record information about Hugo's emigrant trails, especially its two historic 1850s General Land Office mapped roads of the Applegate Trail, and to share this information (e.g., through *Hugo History Day*, talks, hikes, group visits, training exercises, workshops, publications, web sites, etc.).

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Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings.

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USGS QUADS & POINT OF INTEREST CODES



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