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TANEUM RIDGE & SKULL SPRINGS

It may be nearby, but the Ellensburg area offers many surprises. West of Ellensburg and south of Cle Elum sits the monstash roadless area including a high altitude plateau called Cle Elum Ridge and beyond this is a large drainage, Taneum Creek. A future goal of the Cascade Conservation Partnership's efforts is to preserve this entire area. Its diverse forests harbor the rare spotted owl, ponderosa pines and larches on the drier slopes where fire is a frequent visitor, while cool forests of spruce and cedar stand in stark contrast along the creeks. One potential ski route leads up the valley and onto the ridge where we will climb switchbacks up to vantage points to the north and east to catch views of the Kittitas Valley below and the Stuart Range beyond. We may even spot the radio towers on Mission Ridge near Wenatchee. The road eventually reaches a series of high sage meadows ringed by grand fir, Douglas Fir, ponderosa pine and tamarack. A continuous climb through meadows and sub-alpine fir forests eventually reaches the summit of Quartz Mountain, where a clear day reveals spectacular views of Mt. Rainier and Glacier Peak. This is an excellent place for lunch, if the prevailing winds cooperate. Bring warm clothes, this is central Washington in January. Provided: transit, maps. Date: Saturday 12/12, Donation premium for "Day Tripper" level donation (\$38+)



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