## Hidden Lake Lookout Hike

Date Saturday Sept 10, 2016

Meeting Time: 7:00 AM

- Meeting Place: Ash Way P&R, Lynnwood 16267 Ash Way Directions below.
- Leader: Ron Long cell 253-350-1086 redsclimbr@comcast.net

## **Difficulty Rating: BLACK**

Hike Length:	8-9 miles Roundtrip
<b>Elevation Gain:</b>	3300 Gain
High Point:	6900'
Hiking Time:	Approximately 6 hours
Trailhead Pass:	NW Forest Pass
Social:	Possible Dinner /Snack after hike.
Weather:	Heavy Rain Cancels



## Hike description:

This hike is located along the North Cascades Hwy 20. Craig Romano calls this hike "Simply spectacular. One of the best hikes on the planet". He rates it a 4 out of 5. WTA claims its "One of the Crown Jewels of hiking in Washington State". It has sprawling meadows bursting with wild flowers, granite slabs, waterfalls, snow fields, stunning views and a historic fire lookout !! You will see the summit sites of Elderado, Forbidden, Boston, and Sahale among others!! There is at least one stream crossing, and there are biting flies (bring protection). It is steep so bring your hiking poles.

Pack a lunch to eat at the top. We will have a possible social afterwards.

**Rendezvous Location Directions:** From the junction of I-5 and I-405 proceed about 1 mile north on I-5 to Exit 183/164<sup>th</sup> Street. Take Exit 183. At top of exit ramp, turn left onto 164<sup>th</sup>. Proceed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> stop light and turn right onto Ash Way. The P&R is on the right about a half block. There is a north end and a south end to the PnR. We will meet in the South end, which will be the first entrance on the right into the PnR.

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