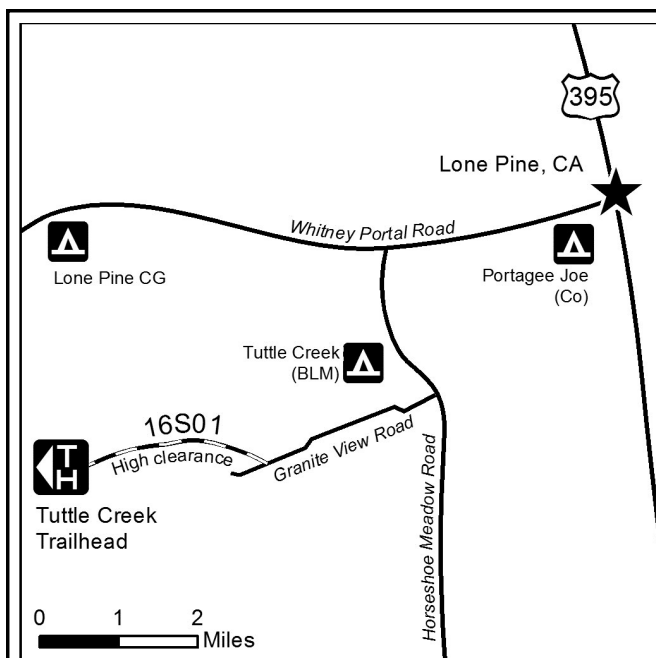




# Tuttle Creek Trail

The Tuttle Creek Trail accesses an abandoned stone building known as “The Tuttle Creek Ashram”. The Ashram is a 2,000 square-foot stone and concrete structure with a cement floor, heavy beam roof, and a large fireplace. It is located at an altitude of 7,600 feet in a glacier carved canyon, on a ridge between two forks of Tuttle Creek. For more information about The Tuttle Creek Ashram, visit <http://merrell-wolff.org/ashrama>. Beyond The Ashram, the trail becomes a faint unmaintained route.

The distance from the trailhead to the Ashram is about 1 mile. In addition, the final portion of the road to the trailhead is often not passable, adding up to 1 mile of walking on the road.



## Season:

The trail is relatively snow free from approximately May through October. In winter, snow and ice are often on the trail. The last 1 mile of the road is often not passable to automobiles.

## Trailhead Facilities:

Water: No

Campgrounds: Tuttle Creek Campground (BLM) is the nearest developed campground. It is located on Horseshoe Meadow Road.

## Regulations:

Food Storage: Food, trash and scented items must be stored in bear-resistant containers or counter-balanced 15 feet above the ground and 10 feet horizontally from a tree trunk. Because there are few trees suitable for hanging food, bear-resistant containers are strongly recommended.

Camping: Use existing campsites. Camping is prohibited within 25 feet of the trail and within 100 feet of water.

Human Waste: Bury human waste 6”-8” deep in soil, at least 100 feet from campsites, trails, and water.

Campfires: Campfires are prohibited above 10,400 ft elevation.

Pets: Pets must be under control at all times.

## Permit & Quota Information:

Permits are required for overnight trips. Obtain permits at any Inyo National Forest ranger station or visitor center.

Between May 1 and Nov 1 overnight use is limited to 8 people per day. Permits may be reserved up to 6 months in advance at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov)

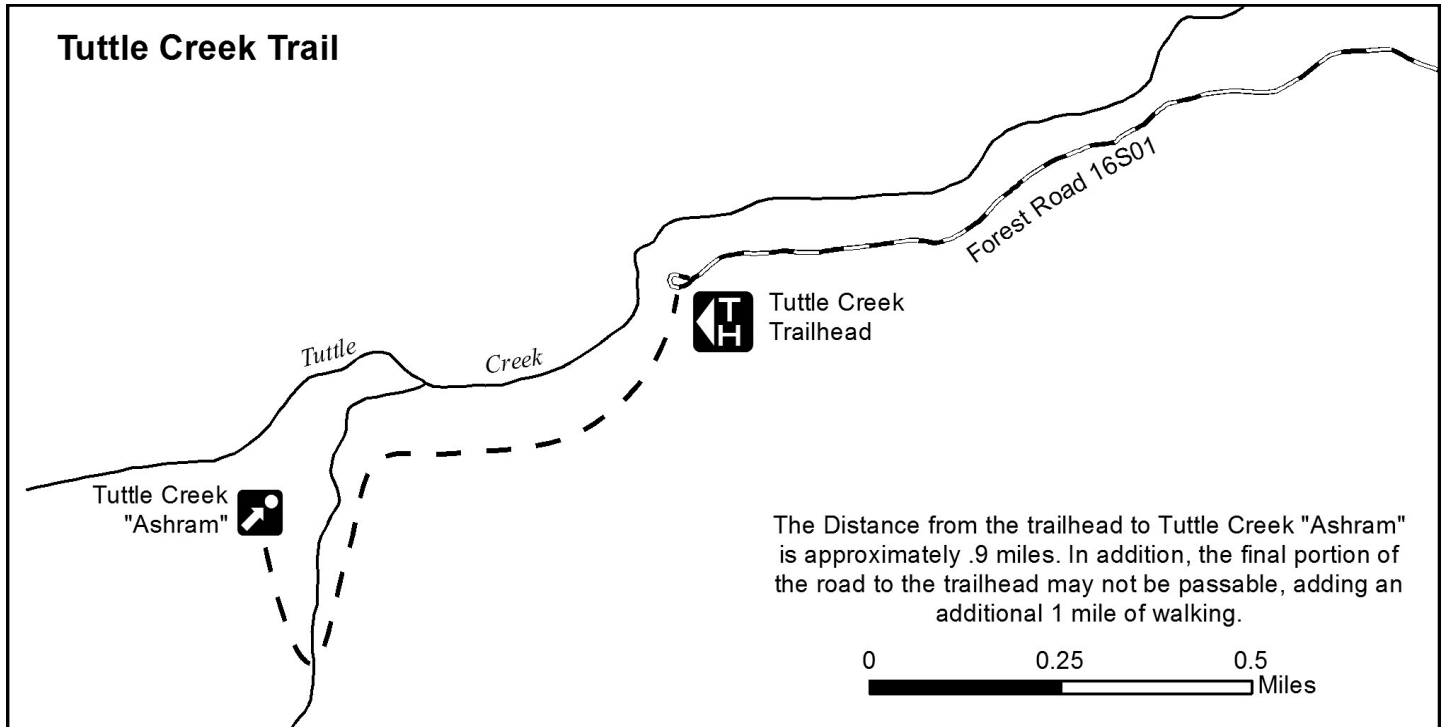
## Access:

From US 395, in Lone Pine, CA:

- Turn west onto Whitney Portal Road. Travel about 3 miles to Horseshoe Meadow Road.
- Turn South onto Horseshoe Meadow Road. Travel about 2 1/2 miles to Granite View Road.
- Turn west onto Granite View Road.travel about 2 miles to 16S01.
- Turn right onto 16S01.

The trailhead is located at the end of 16S01. High clearance and 4 wheel drive are necessary.





**Maps:**

Ton Harrison: Mt. Whitney Zone;

Mt Whitney High Country

USGS Quad: Mount Langley California



**Leave No Trace Principles**

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Minimize use and impact of fires.
5. Respect wildlife.
6. Leave what you find.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.

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[www.fs.usda.gov/goto/inyo/tuttlecreektrail](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/inyo/tuttlecreektrail)

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