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## Purpose of the Diaries, Journals & Reminiscences Sub-Committee

The *Diaries, Journals & Reminiscences Sub-Committee* was formed to bring together all those who want to learn more about the primary resources available which document travel through Hugo on the Applegate Trail during the 1850's from the casual admirer to the dedicated researcher.<sup>1</sup>

**The goal of this *Sub-Committee* is to preserve our cultural assets through documentation.**

An effective means of applying diaries, journals, and/or government reports, especially general land office (GLO) maps, to locate and verify particularly vexing segments of emigrant trails (no more than a few miles in length) is creating a composite trail description.<sup>2</sup> You begin by gathering together as many accounts as possible that describe in any way the trail segment under study. Descriptions, for example, could include references to springs, a particular rock formation, creeks, a rocky part of the trail, sand hills, ridges, ravines, forks in the trail, and any distances or directions recorded.

Look for similarities and discrepancies among the various accounts. Then arrange all of these descriptions--really clues-- in some kind of sequential order that will reveal the course, direction, and location of the trail. In this way, you will have created a detailed composite description of the trail segment under study.

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## Sub-Committee Members

The *Diaries, Journals & Reminiscences Sub-Committee* was formed by the Hugo Trails Committee January 28, 2006. The following neighbors are members of this committee:

Jean Boling  
Glen Campbell  
Janet McKy  
Joe Neiderheiser  
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Karen Rose  
Mike Walker

**A library has been organized** at Karen Rose's home so that members may check-out different reference materials, both primary and secondary, in order to learn more about what it might have been like traveling on the Applegate Trail through Hugo. We have been collecting resources and researching this subject quite extensively over the last five and one-half years and have a rather large library to share with interested neighbors.<sup>3</sup>

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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, 4<sup>th</sup> edition. *Mapping Emigrants Trails MET Field Manual*.

3. Hugo Neighborhood. 2005. Applegate Trail Bibliography Brochure: Hugo's Emigrant Trails. Hugo, OR.

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5. Hugo Neighborhood. 2005. Hugo Emigrant Trail Committee Brochure #2: Hugo's Emigrant Trails. Hugo, OR.

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## Process Flow

The goal is to take the four pertinent 1998 & 1996 USGS quadrangle topographical maps<sup>4</sup> on which our General Land Office Field Survey Sub-Committee plotted 30 points of the 20 mile segment under study and enhance these maps by adding references to various diary or journal excerpts to further document the trail location more clearly.

This method is outlined in the Oregon-California Trails Association, MET Field Manual (Mapping Emigrant Trails) and is called the Composite Trail Description Method.<sup>1</sup>

Members of this committee will purchase the four USGS topographical maps, trace the Applegate Trail on their maps using the maps already plotted on by members of the Field Survey Sub-Committee, study the MET manual & resource materials and become involved in plotting the diary excerpts on their maps.



**Want more information?** Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*, or a member of the *Trails Committee* on how you can become involved in this trail project or go to our web page at:

<http://www.hugoneighborhood.org/>.

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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 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. Make checks to the *Hugo Neighborhood* and send them to our Treasurer.

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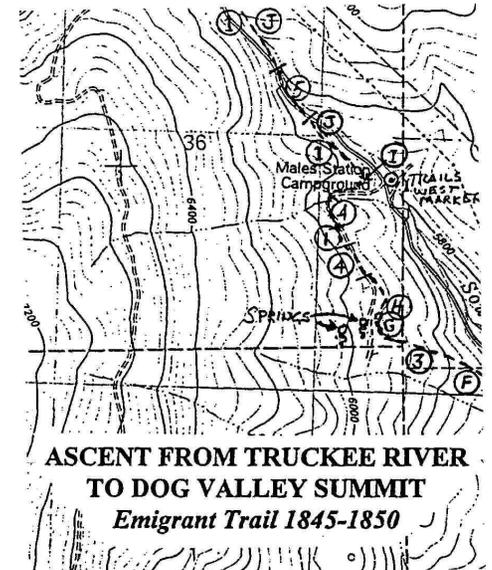
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Example of Composite Trail Description  
Method for Truckee River

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