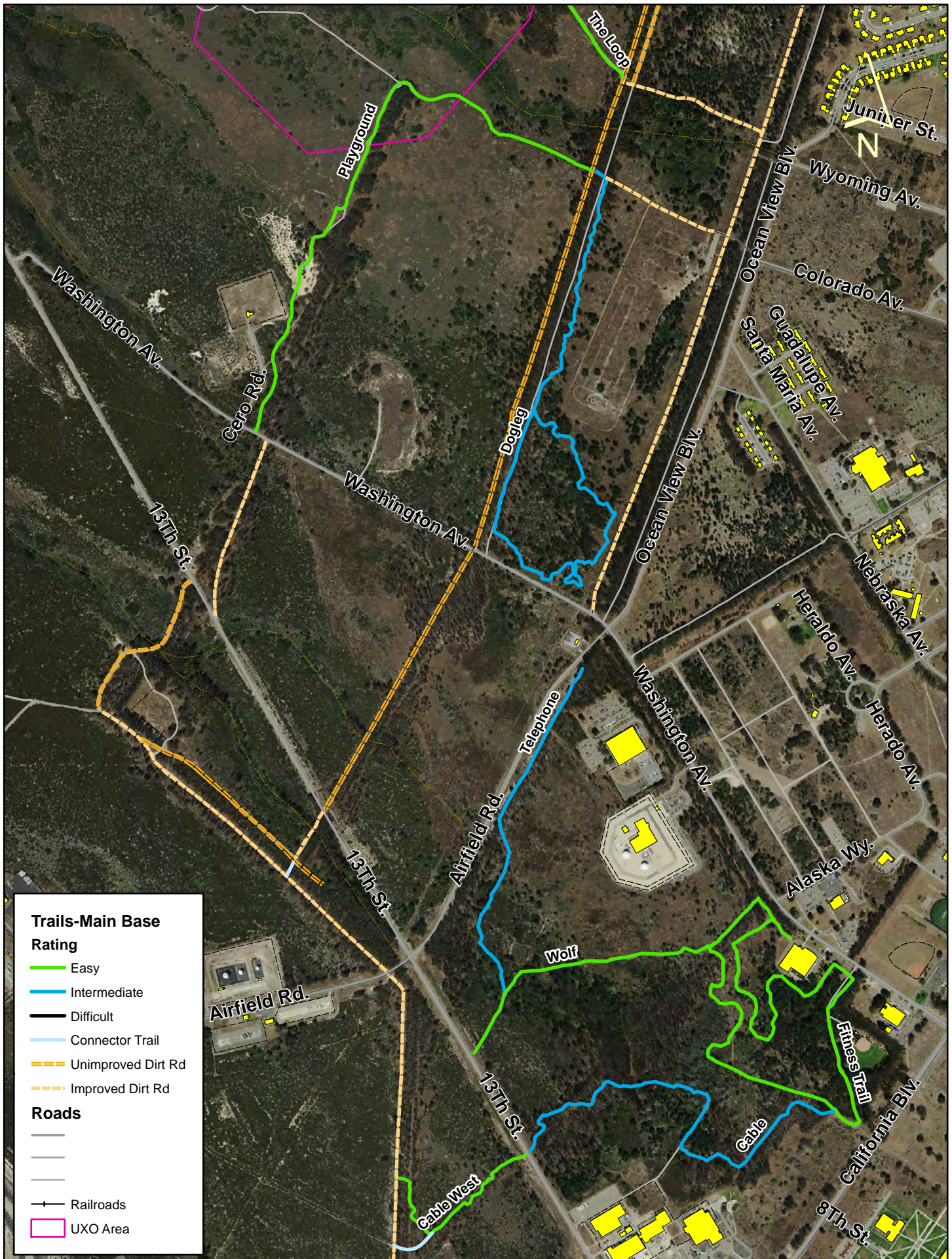


Trails near Ocean View/13th/Washington



Trails-Main Base

Rating

- Easy
- Intermediate
- Difficult
- Connector Trail
- Unimproved Dirt Rd
- Improved Dirt Rd

Roads

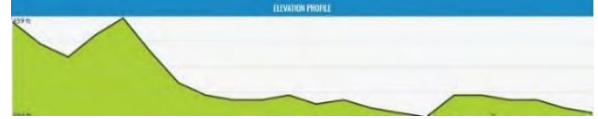
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- Railroads
- UXO Area

Trails Near Ocean View/13th/Washington

Playground: This easy-to-follow trail takes you through woods and undergrowth of the valley. It is 1.2 miles, unless you make it a loop along Washington Ave. Called the playground for its open sand pit you are invited to explore (~0.9 mi from parking lot) with trails, jumps, hills, and opportunities to play with gravity as you navigate your bike. There is also hidden gem helicopter crash to discover. Pay attention though- you WILL be traveling through land with known Unexploded Ordnances (UXO, or undetonated bombs) at the elbow of the trail, so please stay on the trail. The sand pit is deemed safe. The "Danger- Authorized Personnel Only" signs you will pass are a reminder of the dangers of traveling off-trail, but you are able to continue on-trail.



- Directions: Take California Blvd from the Santa Maria Gate. Turn Right onto Washington Avenue at the stop sign. At the first 4-way intersection, turn Right onto Ocean View Blvd., then turn Left across the street from Colorado Ave. Continue straight across a gravel road, and the parking lot is on your Left. The trail starts on the Northwest side of the parking lot, as if continuing Colorado Ave., and continues straight into the woods, past a large sign before bending to the Left back to Washington. The sandy trail through the field on the Left by the initial parking lot is just a no-name 1 mile loop, and is not connected to this trail system. Elevation: 49 ft. total elevation



Dogleg: This network of single-track trails peacefully winds through fields, Oak groves, Eucalyptus trees and coniferous trees. Hard to follow, with many off-shoots that ultimately always get you where you need to go, it is best navigated with a friend until we set up some trail markers. Connects to many other roads and trail systems.

- Directions: Same as directions to the Playground parking lot. Trail starts where the Playground trail starts, but then branches to the Left along the single track dirt trail as soon as you enter the woods.
- Elevation: Relatively flat, and hard to track since there are so many intersecting trails. A few jumps. Here is a sideways (North points to the Right) screen shot of most of the intersecting trails. Missing: 1-mile sandy loop that starts and ends in the parking lot (in the empty green area East of the map), and a few off-shoot marsh trails that dead end.



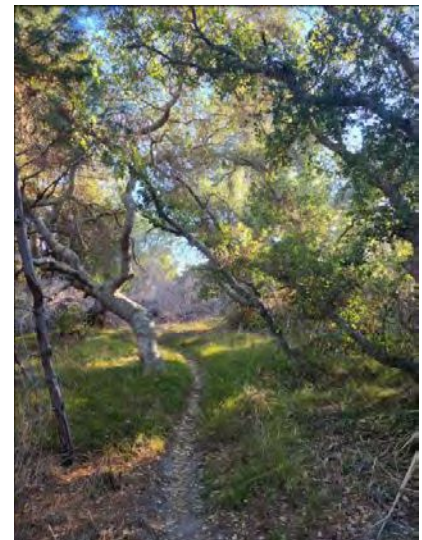
Telephone: This trail is a way to connect the Washington/Airfield/Ocean View intersection to 13th St. without road running. Easy to follow and only 0.8 mi, it is a great little trail with many paw/hof prints to discover.

- Directions: Start either at the intersection and head SW (easiest to find the trail from this direction), or head NE at the only trail branching into the woods between Airfield and the Cable Trail along 13th St.

Wolf: This secret back-trail connects 13th St to the beginning of the Fitness Trail. Not well traveled, but easy enough to follow, it offers beautiful field views, and a chance to see crumbling old asphalt roads from a forgotten time on base. STAY ON TRAIL and restrict photography, because you will be traveling behind restricted access buildings.

- Directions: Start along 13th St and head NE then keep Right at the split, or continue straight at the first bend on the Fitness Trail when going counter-clockwise. Trail is about 0.5 mi long from the Fitness Center to 13th.

Fitness Trail: Probably the most widely known trail on base, and with good reason. This wheelchair accessible trail directly behind the Fitness Center offers a well-lit, wide gravel loop suitable for walking, running or riding bicycles that is a little under 1.5 miles in total. Surrounded by aromatic Eucalyptus groves, it offers frequent sightings of deer, coyote, owl, squirrel, rabbits, lizards and birds (with that said, do not approach any wildlife). Trail is intended for counter-clockwise travel.



Cable/Cable West: Looking for a trail that shows how the land has been heavily impacted by fire, wind, water and humans? This flat, easy-to-follow trail travels from light post 86 on the Fitness Trail across 13th to the improved gravel road behind 13th St. Boasting an impressive variety in biomes and home to many creatures on base despite its obvious scars, it is sure to delight. This trail is not intended to continue through the field to the end of Airfield- please follow signs.

Please keep in mind: Always stay on trail/road due to UXOs, restricted access areas, wildlife, and fragile biomes. Please keep your dogs on leash for these reasons as well. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife, especially predators- bobcats and coyotes are very common; mountain lions are more elusive but have been spotted. Never approach or attempt to interact with any wildlife, especially if it approaches you. Please follow all posted signs. Practice all 7 principles of Leave No Trace.