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NEWS RELEASE: October 29, 2013 Geology of Menagerie Wilderness examined

PORTLAND, Oregon – The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) has released a report focusing on a dome-building sequence of volcanic eruptions in the Western Cascades.

DOGAMI Open-File Report O-13-23, Silicic volcanism in the Menagerie Wilderness and adjacent regions of the Western Cascades in Oregon, summarizes work conducted by Geoffrey W. Cook, Craig M. White, and James L. Crowley, at the Department of Geosciences, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho.



The tall spires in the Menagerie Wilderness Area of the Western Cascades are probably erosional remnants of a series of dome-building eruptions that occurred less than 16 million years ago. Some spires are more than 400 feet high. The Menagerie Wilderness area is popular rockclimbing area just north of the South Santiam Highway (U.S. Route 20).

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