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FISH CREEK MEADOWS



A Year-Round Playground
For Idaho and the Northwest

Fish Creek Meadows

Year-round Recreation For Everyone

Fish Creek Meadows is located 7 miles from Grangeville, a full service community with plenty of overnight, restaurant and shopping facilities for visiting recreationists. Stop by the Nez Perce National Forest Headquarters or the Grangeville Chamber of Commerce office, for further information.

Winter fun starts at Fish Creek!

From here, cross-country skiers can enjoy 1 to 7 miles of groomed trails. An adjacent parking lot accomodates snowmobile enthusiasts who can enjoy over 100 miles of groomed snowmobile trails.

- Cross-Country Skiing
- Snowshoeing
- Snowmobiling



*Cross-Country Skiers
F.S. Photo*



Snowmobilers - F.S. Photo

Summer camping and picnicking at Fish Creek can't be beat!

The campground offers 11 campsites that accommodate tents and recreational vehicles as well as a pavilion for family and group activities. Mountain bikers and horseback riders enjoy the wide, scenic loops of the Fish Creek trails. Off-highway vehicle riders can enjoy the old Milner Wagon Road, which once served the gold camps of Buffalo Hump and fabulous Florence in the late 1800's.

- Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV)
- Stock Use
- Non-Motorized Biking
- Motorized Biking
- Hiking



*Cleo Shearer
Campground Host 2005*

Autumn vistas are spectacular from Fish Creek!

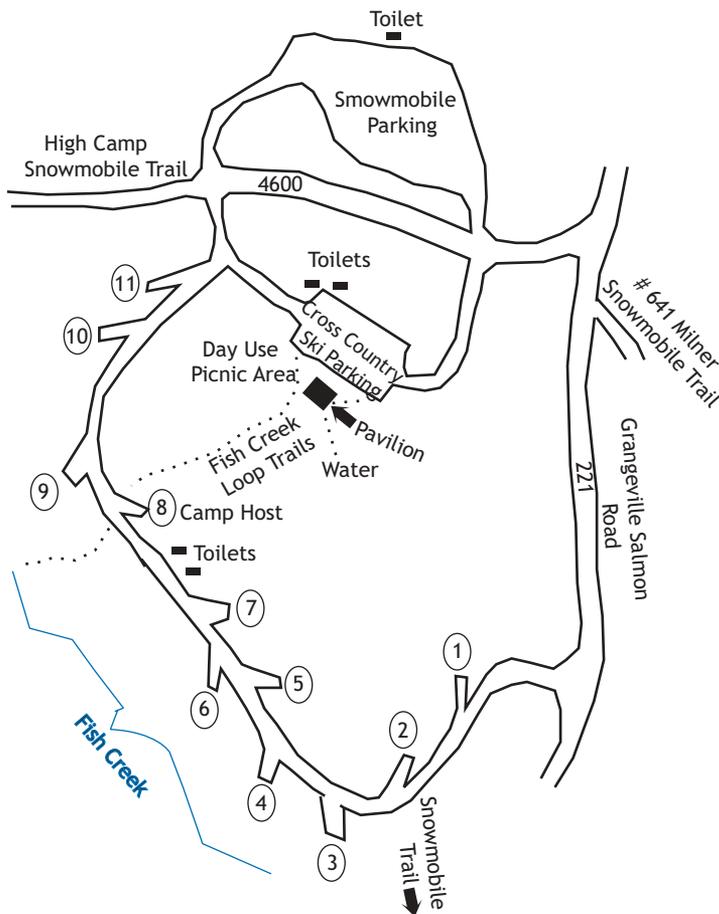
The changing colors of larch, huckleberries, and hardwoods enhance the landscape. The berry picking is as good as it gets! Elk, moose, and whitetail deer are commonly encountered along the trails.

- Berry picking
- Picture taking
- Firewood gathering



*Huckleberry
Photo Credit: Lori Erickson*

Fish Creek Campground



Fish Creek Campground

Campsites are available on a first come first served basis. There are two handicap accessible toilets available.

For more information call the Clearwater Ranger District for campground opening information.

Accessibility

Paved concrete walks provide access to the pavilion, water spigot, bulletin board, and a paved circular bonfire area. The paved parking lot provides access from the pavilion to the restrooms.

This work was accomplished with the volunteer help of the Idaho County Nursing Program and labor donated by the Casey Family Program.

Fish Creek Loop Multi-Use Trail

You can find beautiful views of the Nez Perce National Forest from the Fish Creek Loop Trails!

Outstanding panoramas including Pilot Rock, Buffalo Hump, and the Gospel-Mountains await trail users. The loop trails provide varying distances for all abilities. Trail users can choose from 1, 3, 4, 5, and 7 mile loops.

The trails begin at the pavilion in the Fish Creek Campground. Both motorized and non-motorized use occurs on these trails during the summer. Mountain bikers, off-highway vehicle users, and those on horseback have up to 7 miles of wide, intermediate trails to enjoy.

During wintertime, the Fish Creek Loop Trails are only open for non-motorized recreation including cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. A Idaho State Park N' Ski sticker is required for ski parking. Sticker funds are used to plow the parking lot and groom the trails.

Please call the Clearwater Ranger District for current trail conditions and more Park N' Ski information.

Trail Etiquette



All Users: Protect your right to use these trails. Practice proper trail etiquette and share the trail.

- Be aware of other users
- Do not disturb wildlife
- Pack it in, pack it out

Snowshoers

- Stay to the edge of ski trails
- Do not walk on groomed snow or ski tracks
- Walk no more than 2 abreast
- Yield to skiers on ski trails

Dog Owners

- Leash your animal
- Pick up after your animal

Bikers

- Don't ride when trail is wet
- Slow down at blind spots
- Ride in control
- Stay on trail

Off Highway

Vehicle Riders (OHV)

- Approach pedestrians and horses slowly- pull over , turn off engine
- Minimize noise with proper maintenance
- Stay on trail

Trail Difficulty

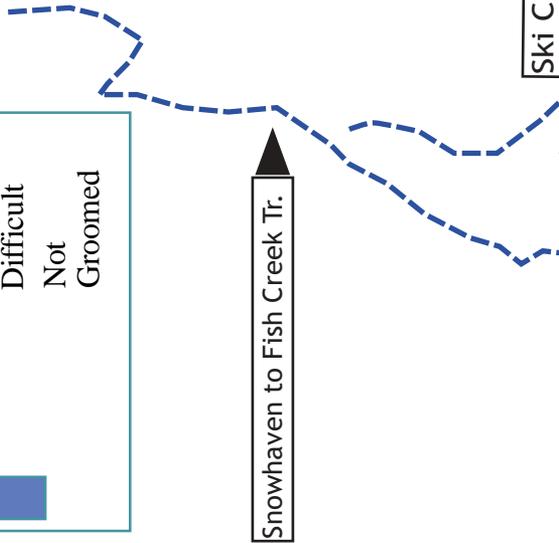
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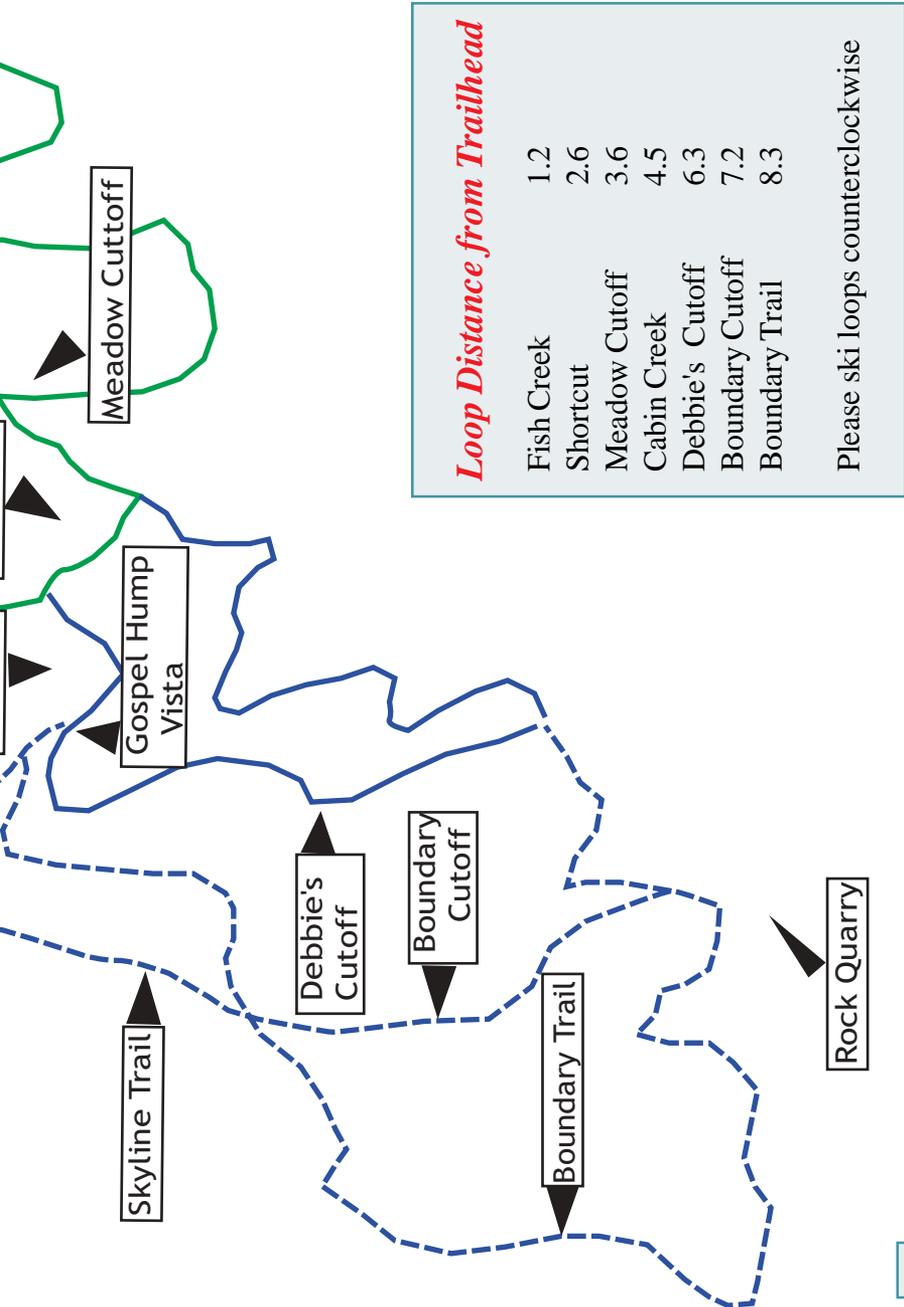


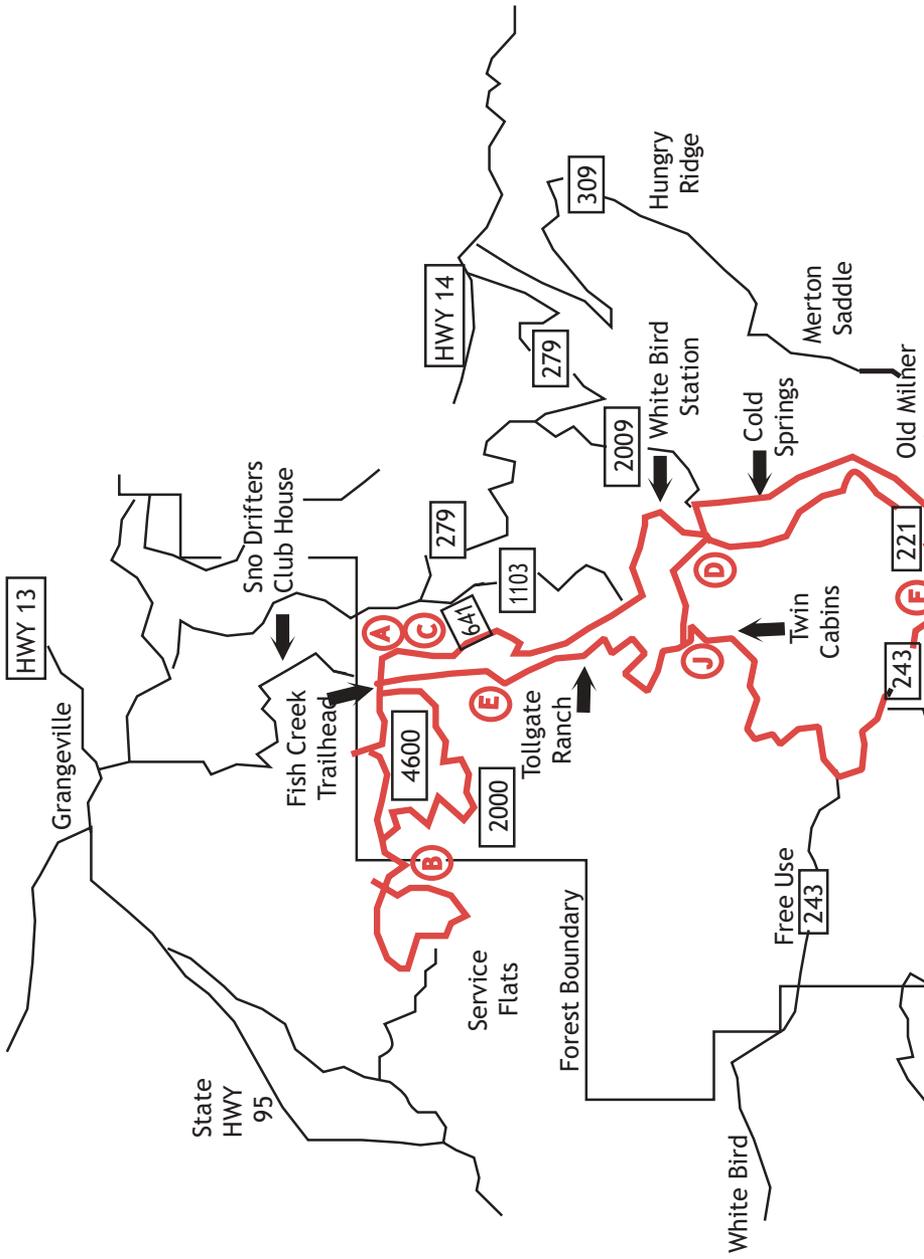
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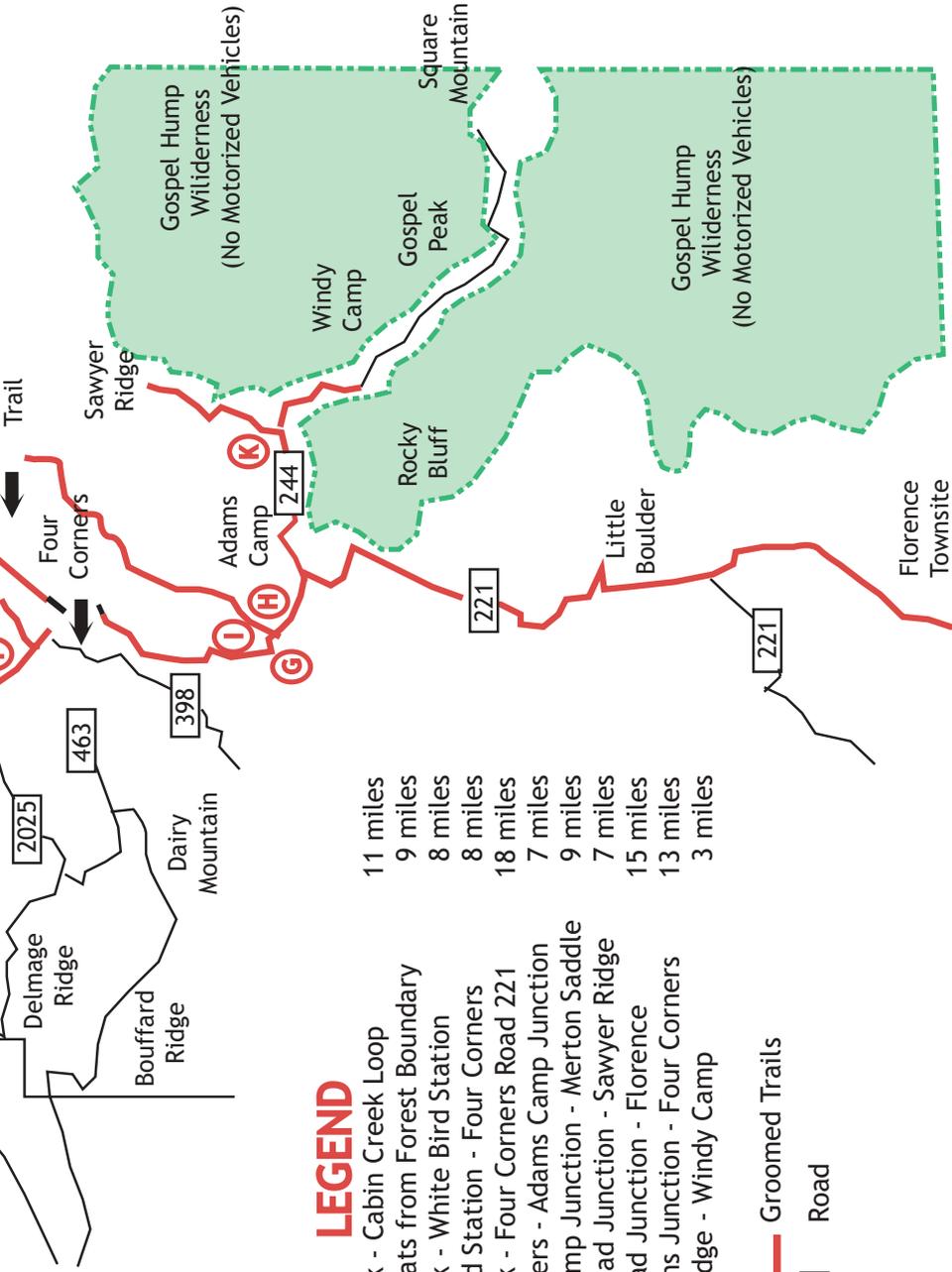

 Difficult
 Not
 Groomed

Trails are normally groomed once a week or more, weather permitting, but may be windblown depending upon weather conditions. Trees or other hazards may be present. All trails have slopes which at times may be to difficult for some skiers. Ski at your own Risk.









Fish Creek Pavilion

- Capacity: up to 75 people
- 2 adjacent handicap accessible toilets
- 2 barbeque grills
- 8 tables
- 1 adjacent paved circular bonfire area
- No overnight camping
- May be reserved for community or group events



Pavilion - F.S. Photo



Beargrass - Lorie Palmer



*Wild Rose
Lorie Palmer*



Milner Trail - F.S. Photo

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