

# COLVILLE NATIONAL FOREST

## TRAILS & RECREATION



### Colville

Abercrombie Mountain Trail #

Frater Lake Trail #150

Gillette Ridge Trail System #13

Gillette Mtn 39

Little Pend Oreille Off Road Vehicle Trail System#  
140/142/143/144/145/146/148

Meadow Creek Trail #125

Lakeshore Trail #120

North Fork Silver Creek Trail #119

Rufus Trail #148

Sherlock Peak Trail #139

Sherry Trail #147

South Fork Silver Creek Trail #123

Springboard Trail #149

Thomas Mountain Trail #151

### **Abercrombie Mountain Trail #117**

LENGTH 3.2 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 4090' at trailhead

At highest point: 7300'

ACCESS From Colville follow county road 9435 north 23 miles and take county road 9445 at Leadpoint. Turn east at Leadpoint and follow Forest Service road 4720 to the junction with road 7078. Take road 7078 north to junction with road 300. Follow road 300 to trailhead.

ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS This 3.2 mile mostly wooded trail opens to a ridge with panoramic views of Kettle Crest, the Pend Oreille Valley, and the Columbia River Valley. Seasonal huckleberries. Limited dispersed camping. Variable weather. Layered clothing and survival kit suggested. Contour maps recommended if traveling off the trail.

USE Medium

DIFFICULTY Most Difficult

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Leadpoint 27

### **North Fork Silver Creek Trail #119**

LENGTH 5.9 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3180' at trailhead

At highest point: 5820'

ACCESS From Colville follow county road 9435 23 miles north. Take county road 9445 to Leadpoint. Turn east at Leadpoint to follow Forest Service road 4720 to the junction with road 070. Continue east on road 070 to trailhead.

ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS This 5.9 mile wooded trail open to hiking and horseback riding follows the north fork of Silver Creek. Wildlife viewing, seasonal wildflowers and huckleberries. Variable weather. Contour maps, layered clothing, survival kit, and ample food and water recommended. The trail connects to Abercrombie Mountain Trail 117 and South Fork Silver Creek Trail 123.

USE Light

DIFFICULTY Most Difficult

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Leadpoint 27

### **South Fork Silver Creek Trail #123**

LENGTH 7.0 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3180' at trailhead

At highest point: 5400'

ACCESS From Colville follow county road 9435 north for 23 miles and take county road 9445 to Leadpoint. Turn east at Leadpoint and follow Forest Service road 4720 to the junction with road 070. Continue east on road 070 to the trailhead.

ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS This 7.0 mile wooded trail crosses several creeks. Views of the Pend Oreille Valley and the Kettle Crest. Variable weather conditions. Layered clothing, contour maps, survival kit, and ample food and water are recommended.

USE Light

DIFFICULTY Most Difficult

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Leadpoint 27

### **Sherlock Peak Trail #139**

LENGTH 3.5 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 4620' at trailhead

At highest point: 6200'

ACCESS From Colville follow county road 9435 north for 23 miles and take county road 9445 to Leadpoint. Turn east at Leadpoint and follow Forest Service road 4720 to road junction 070. Follow road 070 to Forest Service road 075. Follow road 075 to trailhead.

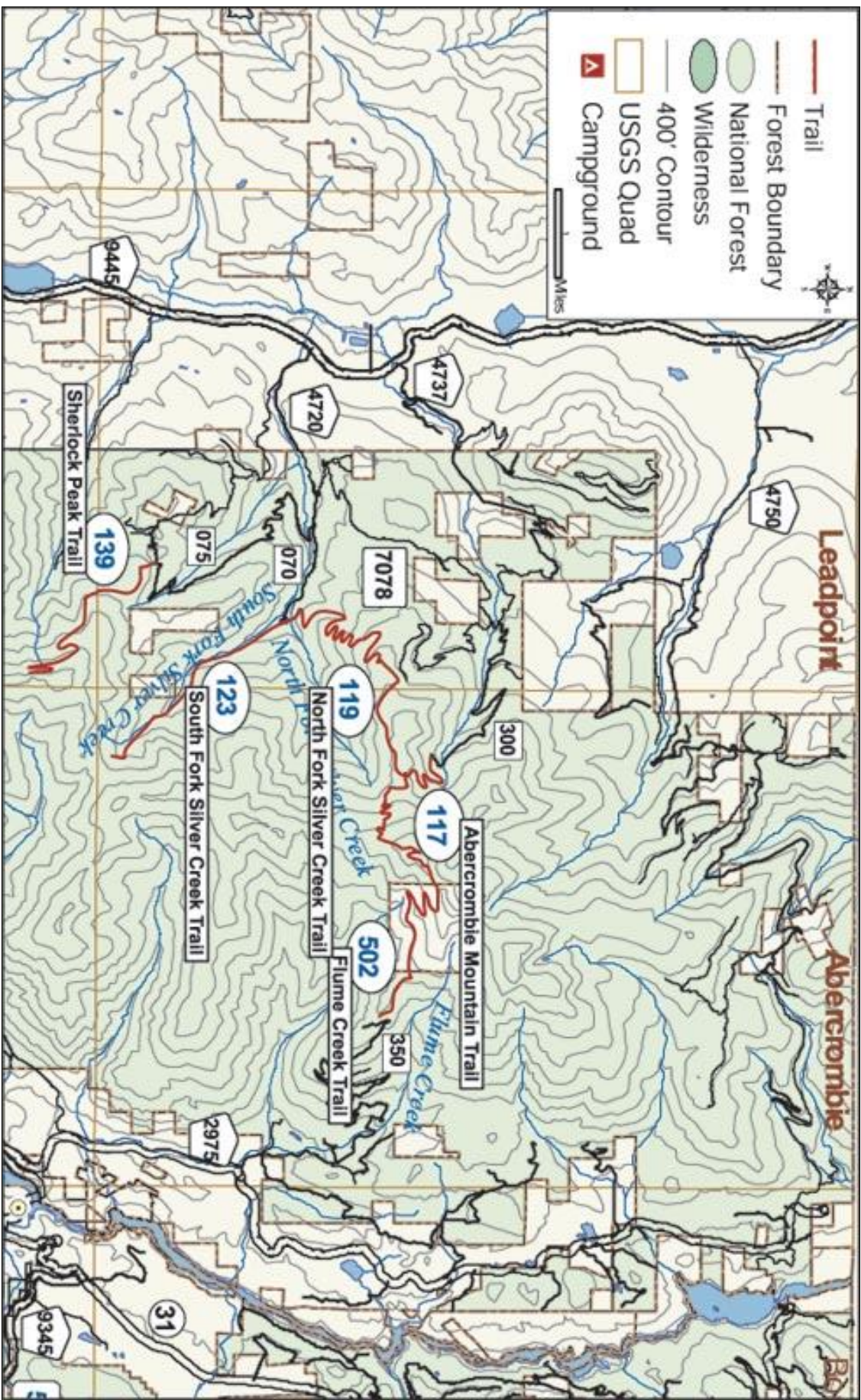
ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS Wooded trails with panoramic views of the Columbia River, the Pend Oreille Valley, and Deep Creek. Dispersed camping at the trailhead and along the trail. Seasonal wild flowers and huckleberries. Contour maps, drinking water and survival kit recommended.

USE Light

DIFFICULTY Difficult

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Leadpoint 27



### **Frater Lake Trail #150/Lake Leo Trail #155**

LENGTH 10 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3180' at trailhead

At highest point: 3400'

ACCESS From Colville follow state Route 20 for 29 miles east to Frater Lake. From Newport travel state Route 20 north to Tiger and continue 6 miles west to the trailhead.

ATTRactions AND CONSIDERATIONS The Frater Lake Trail system includes a series of loop trails. The 1.8 Tiger Loop follows the southern and eastern shores of Frater Lake. A clockwise travel direction is suggested for the steeper 4.8 mile Coyote Loop. The 2.8 Lake Leo Trail and the 1.7 Lions Tail Trail are shorter loops. A picnic area and warming cabin are located near Frater Lake. The cabin is open all year and is available for day use only.

USE Medium

DIFFICULTY Easy to Difficult

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter

USGS MAP(S) Ione 13

### **Little Pend Oreille Off Road Vehicle Trail System**

#### **#140/142/143/144/145/146/148**

LENGTH 67.5 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3000' at trailhead

At highest point: 5248'

ACCESS Mill Creek- travel state Route 20 for 26 miles east of Colville and then follow county road 4954 for 1/4 miles to trail head. Clark Creek- travel state Route 20 for 20 miles east of Colville and turn on Forest Service road 2389. Frater Lake- travel state Route 20 for 29 miles east of Coville. Trailhead is adjacent to state Route 20.

ATTRactions AND CONSIDERATIONS The Little Pend Oreille trail system includes 67.5 miles of loop trails that provide access to Thomas Mountain, Green Mountain, and Granite Peak. System offers several short loops on the trail which connects to the Batey-Bould trail system. Huckleberries, wild flowers and scenic views.

USE Heavy

DIFFICULTY Easy to Most Difficult

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Lake Gillette 30

### **Rufus Trail #148**

LENGTH 3.4 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3190' at trailhead

At highest point: 4360'

ACCESS From Colville follow state Route 20 east for 26 miles to county road 4987. Travel approximately 2 miles to the trailhead.

ATTRactions AND CONSIDERATIONS This 3.4 mile multi-purpose trail follows a roadbed. Upper portion of the trail becomes boggy and difficult to cross during wet periods. Wildflowers and wildlife viewing. Trail continues to Granite Peak or Frater Lake on Trail #142.

USE Light

DIFFICULTY Easy

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter

USGS MAP(S) Lake Gillette 30

### **Sherry Trail #147**

LENGTH 3.8 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3100' at trailhead

At highest point: 3120'

ACCESS From Colville follow state Route 20 for 23 miles. Look for the Colville National Forest entrance sign.

ATTRactions AND CONSIDERATIONS This 3.5 mile trail follows fairly flat terrain along the Little Pend Oreille River through a timber canopy of lodgepole pine and Douglas-fir. The trail is recommended for beginning cross country skiers or as a short trek for experienced skiers. A nice day hike in summer and fall.

USE Medium

DIFFICULTY Easy

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter

USGS MAP(S) Lake Gillette 30

### **Springboard Trail #149**

LENGTH 2.4 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3180' at trailhead

At highest point: 3600'

ACCESS From Colville follow state Route 20 east for 26 miles to National Forest Service campground turnoff at county road 4987. The trailhead is at the northern end of Gillette Campground.

ATTRactions AND CONSIDERATIONS Use interpretive materials available at the trailhead to guide you through this 2.4 trail. Learn about logging, natural features, and the homesteaders who once settled in the area. Scenic views of Thomas Mountain and the Little Pend Oreille Lakes.

USE Light

DIFFICULTY Easy

RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Lake Gillette 30

### **Thomas Mountain Trail #151**

LENGTH 6.0 miles

ELEVATION Beginning: 3270' at trailhead

At highest point: 3920'

ACCESS Access trail by using either Forest Service road 4954 or road 4699.

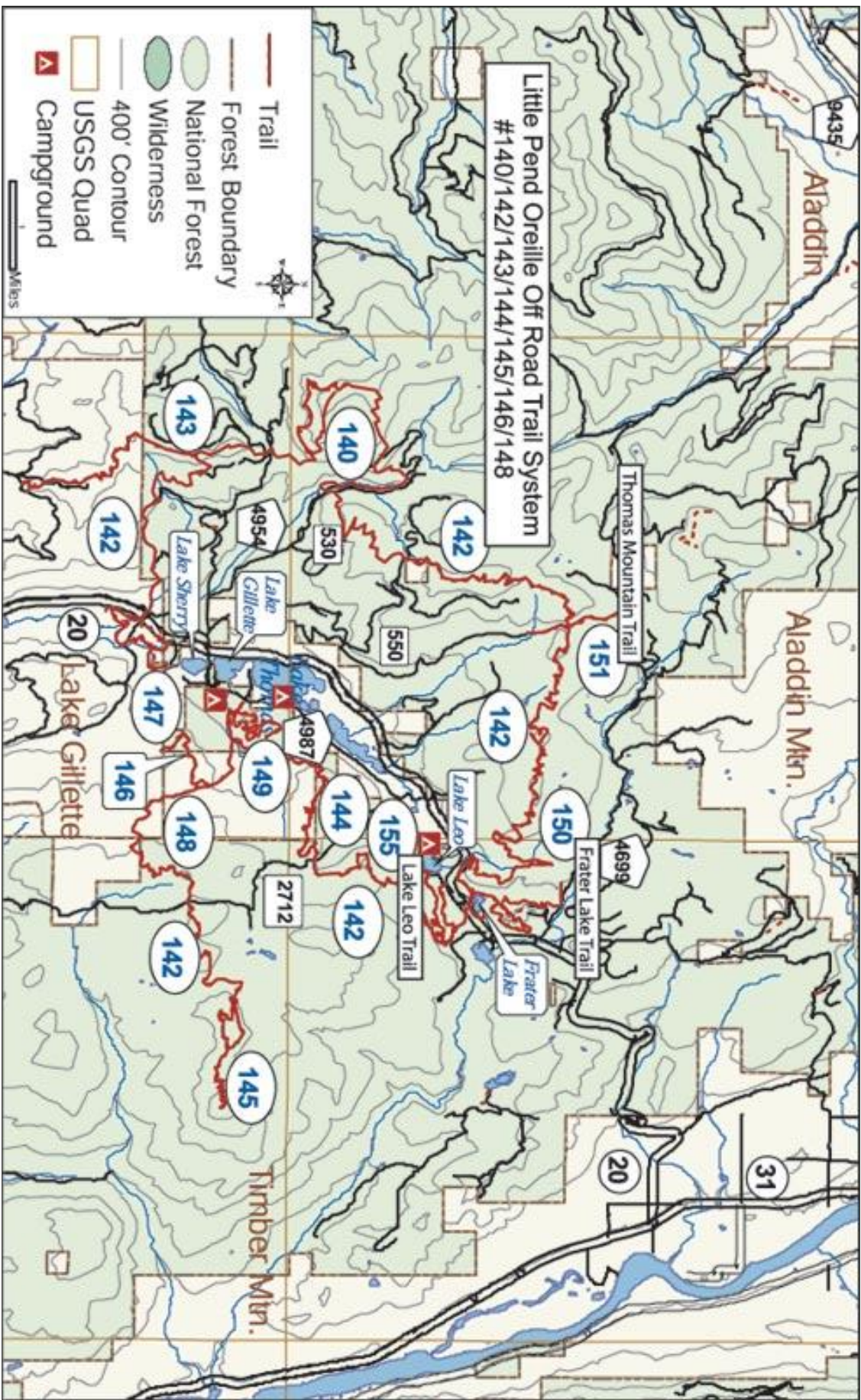
ATTRactions AND CONSIDERATIONS The trail follows Forest Service road 530 for approximately 5 miles. The trail connects to routes to Ione from the Little Pend Oreille Lakes recreation area. Winter travelers will discover picturesque mountains, valleys, and streams. Limited maintenance in off-season.

USE Light

DIFFICULTY Easy

RECOMMENDED SEASON Winter, Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Aladdin Mtn 29 / Lake Gillette 30



Little Pend Oreille Off Road Trail System  
 #140/142/143/144/145/146/148

- Trail
- Forest Boundary
- National Forest
- Wilderness
- 400' Contour
- USGS Quad
- Campground

1 Miles

### Gillette Ridge Trail System #131

LENGTH 13.1 miles

ELEVATION Beginning:  
4800' at trailhead

At highest point: 5777'

ACCESS Trailheads are located at Roger Mountain, Clinton Creek Forest Camp, and Onion Creek. Roger Mountain-travel state Route 20 one mile east of Colville. Turn north on county road 9435 and follow for 19 miles. Take Forest Service road 500 for 6.4 miles to trailhead. See map for Clinton Creek and Onion Creek trailhead locations.

#### ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Two loop trails are included in this 13.1 multi-purpose trail system. Scenic mountain views. Ruins of a fire lookout on Rogers Mountain.

USE Medium

DIFFICULTY Easy to Most Difficult

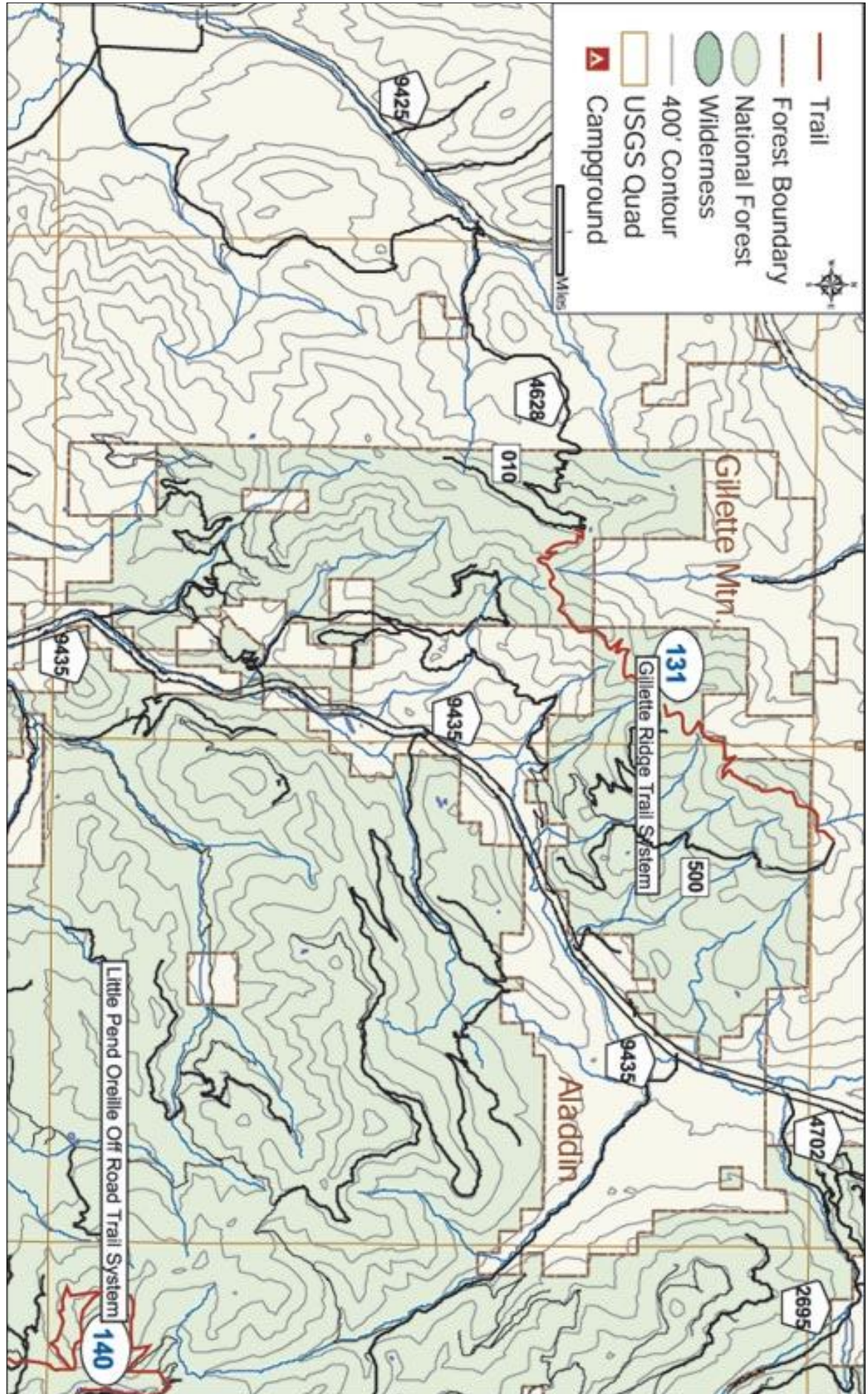
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SEASON Spring,

Summer, Fall

USGS MAP(S) Aladdin

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Meadow Creek Trail #125/Lakeshore Trail #120



LENGTH 3.8 miles  
 ELEVATION Beginning: 3400' at trailhead  
 At highest point: 3440'  
 ACCESS From Colville follow county road 9435 for 18 miles to Meadow Lake Road 2695. Follow road 2695 for 7.5 miles to Big Meadow Lake.  
 ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS The first 0.8 miles of this 1.5 mile trail are barrier-free. Trail activities include wildlife viewing, fishing, and Meadow Magic interactive environmental education program for individuals or groups. Meadow Magic packs can be checked out at Three Rivers or Sullivan Lake Ranger Stations. Meadow Creek Trail links to a 0.8 mile side trail to a replica of a homestead cabin, and to the Lakeshore Trail, a scenic 1.5 loop around Big Meadow Lake.  
 USE Light  
 DIFFICULTY Easy  
 RECOMMENDED SEASON Spring, Summer, Fall  
 USGS MAP(S) Aladdin Mtn 29