

Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Lookouts

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From Ray Kresek's Fire Lookouts of the Northwest and other misc. sources
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Highlighted lookouts are those that remain in existence today.

Name	Location	Style	Year built	Status	Photos
Archer Point	14 miles S of Moose Creek RS T30N, R13E Sect. 20	20' pole L-4 tower	1933 +/-	destroyed 1957	
Bailey Mountain	9 miles NNE of Moose Creek RS T34N, R13E Sect. 30	10' x 10' two story log cabin with cupola R-6 flat cab on 12' tower	1927 1959	removed 1970s removed 1989	1959 1979
Barren Hill	10 miles NNW of Moose Creek RS T34N, R12E Sect. 29	40' pole patrol tower	1934 +/-	abandoned 1940s	
Battle Ridge	12 miles NE of Moose Creek RS T33N, R14E Sect. 10	camp 10' L-4 with gable roof	1928 +/- 1932	destroyed 1951	1938, 1944
Bear Wallow	7 miles W of Moose Creek RS T32N, R11E Sect. 11	two story 12' x 12' log cabin with cupola 41' TT L-4	1930 1956	destroyed 1986	1981
Beaver Jack Mtn.	3 miles NNE of Magruder R.S. T28N, R14E Sect. 23	log cabin on eastern most point	1920	destroyed 1957	
Bell Point	11 miles NE of Moose Creek RS T33N, R14E Sect. 5	camp	1934	abandoned 1942	
Big Creek Point	16 miles ENE of Moose Creek RS T33N, R15E Sect. 28	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Big Rock (62)	8 miles NW of Moose Creek RS T33N, R11E Sect. 14	30' ladder up Big Rock log cabin 30' 7' x 7' tower 45' L-6 tower	1913 1914 1921 1932	destroyed 1950s	1914, 1920s, 1927
Blacktail	10 miles NW of Moose Creek RS T33N, R11E Sect. 9	log cabin two platform towers one mile apart 30' L-4 atop Frisco Peak one mile east	1926 1930 1941	abandoned 1950	
Boulder Point	13 miles SSW of Darby T1N, R22W Sect. 14	10" L-4 pole tower	1937	abandoned 1980s planned to be a rental in future	

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Box Car Mountain	14 miles SSW of Moose Creek RS T30N, R12E Sect.21	camp	1928	destroyed 1939	
Burnt Strip	10 miles NNE of Magruder R.S. T29N, R15E Sect. 19	cabin	1939	destroyed 1955	
California Point	17 miles SW of Powell RS T35N, R12E Sect. 3	camp	1920s	abandoned 1930s	
Cantaloupe Peak	3 miles southeast of Lochsa R.S. T34N, R9E Sect. 11	camp	1934	abandoned 1942	
Cooper Point	12 miles northeast of Magruder R.S. T29N, R15E, Sect. 26	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Cub Point	15 miles SE of Moose Creek RS T31N, R14E, Sect. 25	camp	1934	abandoned 1940	
Dead Elk Point	21 miles NE of Moose Creek RS T34N, R15E Sect. 25	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Diablo Mtn.	16 miles southeast of Powell R.S T34N, R15E Sect. 7	cabin L-4 cab 10' concrete base with R-6 flat cab	1926 1930 1965	staffed	
Doe Point	10 NW of Moose Creek RS T34N, R11E, Sect. 36	camp	1930 +/-	abandoned	
Dog Point	5 miles SE of Moose Creek RS T32N, R13E Sect. 22	camp	1937 +/-	abandoned 1939	
Double Creek Ridge	10 miles NE of Moose Creek RS T33N, R13E, Sect.2	20' L-4 tower with patrol point	1934	destroyed 1951 +/-	1944
Eagle Creek Point	13 miles northwest of Magruder R.S. T29N, R13E Sect. 8	camp at north end of ridge	1933	abandoned 1951	
Elk Ridge	13 miles ESE of Moose Creek RS T32N, R15E Sect. 31	camp	1935	abandoned 1942	
End Butte	24 miles SW of Powell RS T34N, R11E Section 8	camp 10' L-4 tower	1934 1940	abandoned 1950s	

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Freeman Peak	6 miles ENE of Moose Creek RS T32N, R13E Sect. 1	log cabin with cupola atop southern point	1923	destroyed 1956 +/-	1920s
Frisco Peak	10 miles NW of Moose Creek RS T33N, R11E Sect. 8	L-4 cab with gable roof on 20' pole tower	1941	destroyed 1957	1942, 1954
Gardiner Peak 10 IH 3237	13 miles SE of Moose Creek RS T30N, R14E Sect. 6	5' log crib cabin with cupola 10' TT L-4	1925 1953	destroyed staffed	1929, 1946 2003
Gash Point	12 miles southwest of Stevensville T8N, R22W Sect.23	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Gateway Peak	16 miles NE of Moose Creek RS T34N, R14E Sect. 25	camp	1926 +/-	abandoned 1939	
Grave Meadows	14 miles SW of Moose Creek RS T30N, R11E Sect. 3	camp	1939	abandoned	
Grave Peak	8 miles south of Powell R.S. T35N, R14E, Sect. 8	D-6 framed cupola cabin	1924	abandoned 1967 but still exists	
High Springs	7 miles NW of Moose Creek RS T33N, R11E, Sect. 26	20' L-4 pole tower	1935	abandoned 1939 removed 1957	1930s 1957
Hidden Peak	15 miles southeast of Powell R.S. T35N, R16E Sect. 16	16' x 16' shake cabin L-4 cab R-6 cab with concrete base	1927 1941 1961	used on emergency basis	
Highline	12 miles SW of Moose Creek RS T31N, R11E Sect. 18	camp log cabin and 35' platform tower	1922 1932	gone 1945	1922 1932
Horsefly Point	8 miles E of Moose Creek RS T32N, R14E Sect. 8	camp	1938 +/-	abandoned	
Lizard Ridge	13 miles NW of Moose Creek RS T33N, R11E Sect. 5	camp (1 ½ mile east of Lizard Peak)	1930s	abandoned	
Lodgepole Hump	9 miles west of Magruder R.S. T27N, R13E, Sect. 7	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Log Ridge	6 miles N of Moose Creek RS T33N, R12E Sect. 9	camp on ridgetop	1928	abandoned 1939	
Lone Pine	6 miles SW of Moose Creek RS T32N, R12E Sect. 30	30' pole patrol tower	1934	abandoned 1950	

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Long Ridge	15 miles ESE of Moose Creek RS T31N, R15E Sect. 9	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Magruder Mtn.	5 miles west of Magruder R.S T27N, R13E Sect. 2	camp log cabin	1933 1940	destroyed 1950	
Maple Lake	14 miles S of Powell RS T34N, R14E Sect. 18	2-story frame cabin with cupola	1925	removed	
McConnell Mtn.	14 miles southwest of Powell R.S.	tent camp log cabin log observatory	1918 1922 1935	abandoned 1951, destroyed by wildfire 2013	1922, 1971
Meeker Ridge	5 miles W of Moose Creek RS T32N, R12E Sect. 7	camp	1934	abandoned 1939	
Nez Perce Peak	6 miles northeast of Magruder R.S. T28N, R15E Sect.27	log cabin with cupola	1930	destroyed 1950	
Mink Point	8 miles SW of Moose Creek RS T31N, R11E Sect. 11	crow's nest	1926	abandoned 1950 +/-	
Moe Peak	18 miles ESE of Moose Creek RS T32N, R15E Sect. 26	camp wooden tripod with map board	1923	abandoned	1923
Mount Aura	14 miles northwest of Magruder R.S. T29N, R13E Sect. 3	camp 1.5 miles NNE of summit	1930s	abandoned 1940s	
Mount George	16 miles NNE of Magruder R.S. T30N, R15E Sect. 30	crows nest 10' L-4 pole tower	1924	burned 1969	
Nick Wynn Mtn.	6 miles NNW of Magruder R.S. T28N, R14E Sect. 8	L-4 cab	1940	destroyed 1955	
Old Man Point	5 miles SSW of Lochsa R.S. T34N, R9E Sect.20	10' L-4 tower	1931	burned 1934	
Otter Butte	14 miles WSW of Moose Creek RS T31N, R10E Sect. 11	30' L-4 atop W point	1934 +/-	destroyed 1955	
Pettibone Ridge	9 miles SE of Moose Creek RS T31N, R14E Sect. 6	30' pole L-4	1939 +/-	destroyed 1950	1930s, 1943
Puzzle Point	3 miles SW of Moose Creek RS T32N, R12E Sect. 21	two-story log cabin with cupola atop northern most point	1929	destroyed 1949 +/-	1929

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Rhoda Point	26 miles SW of Powell RS T34N, R11E Sect. 15	platform tower 8' x 10' log cabin	1937	abandoned, but the cabin is still there	1938
Rock Point	16 miles E of Moose Creek RS T32N, R15E Sect. 10	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Sabe Mtn.	T27N, R12E Sect. 23 11 miles WSW of Magruder R.S.	Tent camp ¼ mile east of Sabe Saddle	1930s	abandoned 1949	
Savage Ridge	7 miles southeast of Powell R.S. T26N, R15E Sect.16	Nez Perce log L-5 cabin	1929	destroyed 1972	
Shasta Point	8 miles N of Moose Creek RS T34N, R12E Sect. 34	camp atop minor west point	1934	abandoned 1942	
Shearer Peak	6 miles S of Moose Creek RS T31N, R13E Sect. 7	crow's nest 53' TT L-4 also a patrol lookout 1 mile NE	1931 1953	destroyed 1973	1962
Shissler Peak	3 miles N of Moose Creek RS T33N, R12E Sect. 27	log cabin w/cupola 10' TT L-4 with hip roof	1933 1953	removed staffed	1992, 2006
St. Mary Peak	7 miles west of Stevensville T9N, R21W Sect. 28	40' L-4 pole tower 8' ft rock base with L-4 cab	1934 1953	staffed	
Sponge Mtn	23 miles southwest of Powell R.S. T35N, R11E Sect. 29	crows nest ½ mile west of Eagle Mtn. Lake. crows nest 1 mile north atop Long Lake Ridge.	1915	abandoned 1940s	
Spot Mtn.	9 miles northwest of Magruder R.S. T28N, R13E, Sect.4	two-story log cabin 10' pole L-4 R-6 flat cab with concrete base	1922 1934 1972	not currently staffed	
Three Links Point	10 miles WNW of Moose Creek RS T33N, R11E Sect. 31	camp	1939	abandoned 1940s	
Tony Point	2 miles S of Moose Creek RS T32N, R12E Sect. 23	patrol tower atop northern most minor point	1933	abandoned 1950	
Trout Peak	4 miles NE of Moose Creek RS T33N, R13E Sect. 32	camp	1935	abandoned 1939	
Twin Butte	12 miles ESE of Moose Creek RS T32N, R14E Sect. 35	20' platform log cabin with cupola	1925 1929	destroyed 1951	1927, 1928, 1929
Vance Point	16 miles NNE of Magruder R.S T30N, R15E Sect. 35	camp on western most point	1930s	abandoned	

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Wahoo (Squaw) Peak	13 miles ENE of Moose Creek RS T33N, R14E Sect. 25	30' pole observation tower and cabin	1934	destroyed 1940s	
Watchtower Peak	21 miles southwest of Darby T1N, R23W, Sect. 18	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Weasel Point	8 miles SW of Moose Creek RS T32N, R11E Sect. 34	camp also patrol point 2 miles west atop Wolf Point	1933	abandoned	
White Sand	14 miles ESE of Powell R.S. T36N, R16E, Sect. 23	camp	1930s	abandoned	
Wylies Peak	10 miles SSW of Moose Creek RS T31N, R12E Sect. 33	log cabin with cupola also patrol point 2 miles west	1925	destroyed by lightning 1983	1925, 1927, 1960s, 1969, 1971, 1976, 1979

There were a total of 75 different lookout points located on the landscape.

Camps = 37

L-4's = 22

Log cabins = 13

R-6 Flat Cabs = 4

L-6 Towers = 1

Crow's Nest = 3

Log cabin with cupola = 12

Platform tower = 6