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DISCOVER PASSES



A Discover Pass is required to access lands managed by Washington State Parks & Recreation, Washington Department of Natural Resources and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. This includes all State Parks, WDFW water access sites and wildlifeviewing areas and DNR-managed trails/trailheads and recreational camping sites.

For more information please go to the Discover Pass Frequently Asked Questions at http://discoverpass. wa.gov/faq/ the Discover Pass Home Page at http://discoverpass.wa.gov/. Information is being updated weekly.

Feel free to send any suggestions for improvements or requests for additional information to licensing@ dfw.wa.gov. Our customer feedback and questions are being evaluated daily. The information provided by our customers is a very important to us and is used to improve our services and website.

For questions or comments regarding the Discover Pass you may also contact us directly by phone toll-free at 1-866-320-9933.

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NOXIOUS WEEDS

Outdoor recreationists who travel on remote roads to trailheads or who ride ATVs off roads or designated trails may be unknowingly spreading weeds with their vehicles.

Recreationalists can help control noxious weeds to stop them from spreading.

- Drive only on roads and trails away from noxious weed infested areas
- · Vehicles can carry noxious weeds from one area to another. Make sure to carefully clean ATVs, vehicles and trailers before taking them to a new area. Even a few seeds can spread noxious weeds to new areas.
- Remove weed seeds from dogs, hiking boots and other gear.
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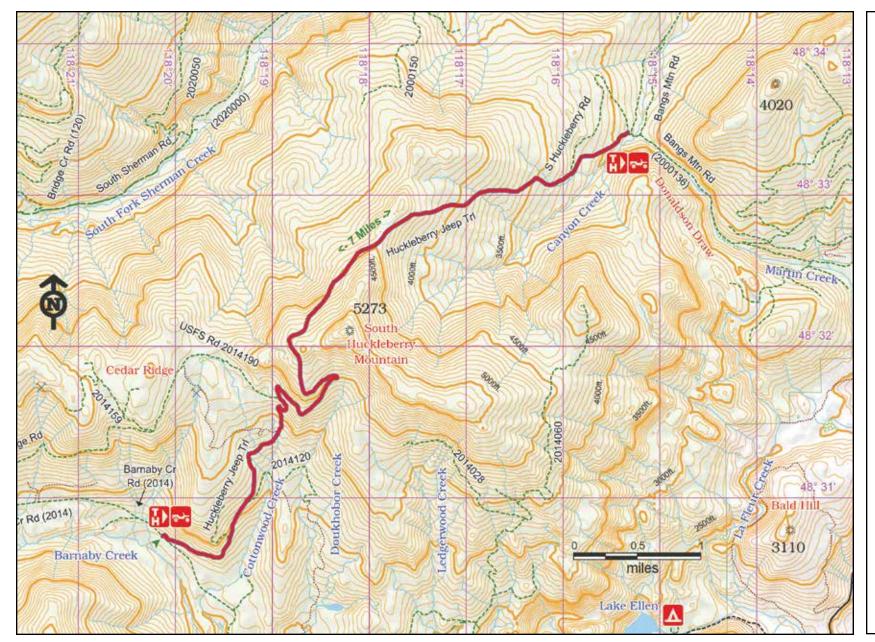




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FERRY COUNTY

HUCKLEBERRY JEEP TRAIL, 7 MILES



Access:

From the Kettle Falls Information Center, drive 10. 3 mils west on Hwy 395/20 staying on 20 after the bridge to the junction with Bangs Mt Rd. Turn left and drive 2.2 miles to the junction with USFS Rd #164. Turn right and drive 200 ft to the trailhead. To reach the south end, drive 2.7 miles west from Bangs Mt on Hwy 20. Turn left. Drive 6.6 miles to Rd #2014 Turn left and drive 7.8 miles to trailhead.

Description:

This is a very direct and challenging tract that rises over 1600 feet to the northwest side of Huckleberry Mt. and dips back down to Barnaby Creek on the south side of the mountain. It is open to all vehicles but only recommended for high clearance OHV and 4 wheel drive. It offers elevated views of remote country and huckleberries in season.

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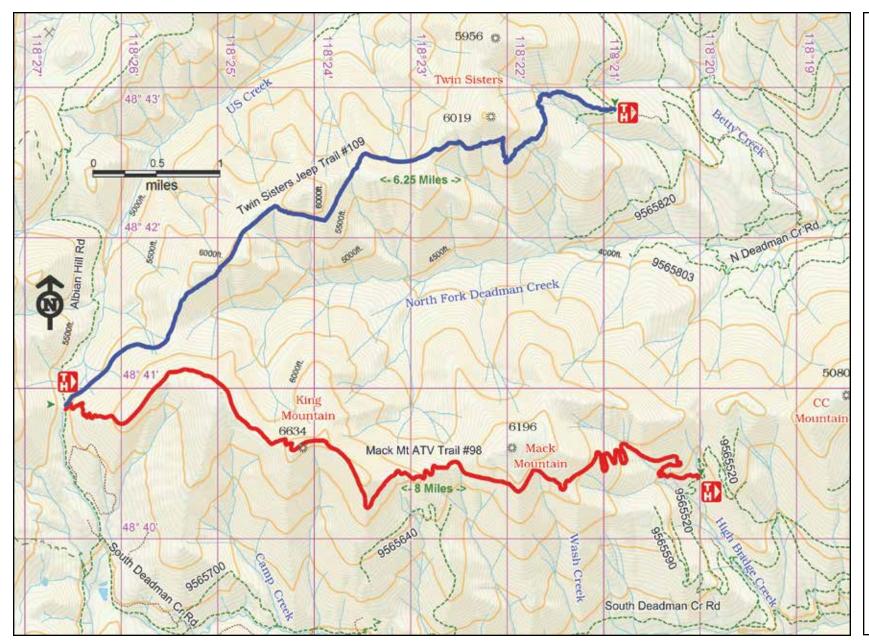
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FERRY COUNTY MACK MT. ATV TRAIL, 8 MILES & TWIN SISTERS JEEP TRAIL, 6.25 MILES



Access:

From Kettle Falls drive 21.6 Miles on Hwy 20 to Albion Hill Road. Turn Right and drive 4.5 miles to the trailheads for Twin Sisters and Mack Mt. trails. Both start at the same place. Mack Mt trail can be accessed from the Deadman Creek Rd on USFS Rd 9565 520.

Twin Sisters trail can be reached from Anderson Road off Deadman Creek

Description:

The Twin Sister's Jeep trail is not as difficult as some others but be prepared for fallen trees and close brush. The Mack Mountain OHV trail is rugged with some close brush. Views from both trails feature the Deadman Creek watershed, the Kettle River Valley and Lake Roosevelt. There are disbursed camping spots available along Albian Hill Rd but not at the trailhead.

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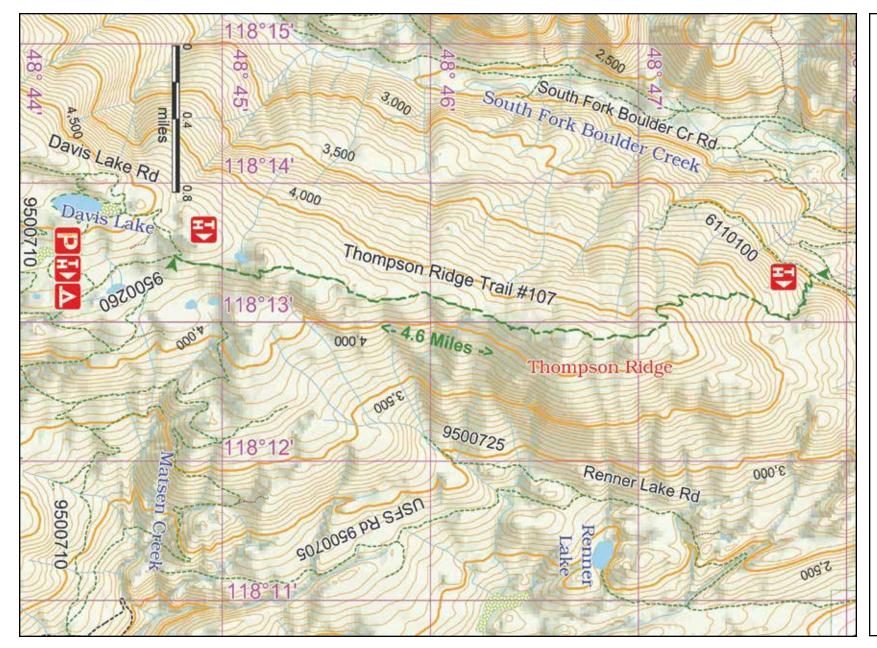




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THOMPSON RIDGE TRAIL #107, 4.6 MILES



Access:

From the Kettle Falls Information Center, drive west on Hwy 395 3miles to the junction with Hwy 20. Turn right and drive 6 miles to the junction with Deadman Creek Rd. Turn left and drive 3.7 miles to Jackknife Lookout Rd. Turn right and drive 3.2 miles to junction with Matsen Cr. Rd. Turn left and drive 2 miles to the junction with Davis Lake Rd. Turn right and drive 3.6 miles. Turn left on USFS Rd to 9565 260. Travel .6 miles to unmarked trailhead on the left.

Description:

Thompson Ridge Trail follows an old logging road along the granite outcrops at the top of the ridge. Access to the bottom trailhead is difficult since the bridge to Boulder- Deer Trail highway washed out. If you are starting from the top entrance on the south side, you may want to turn back before the steep decent begins 3 miles to the north.

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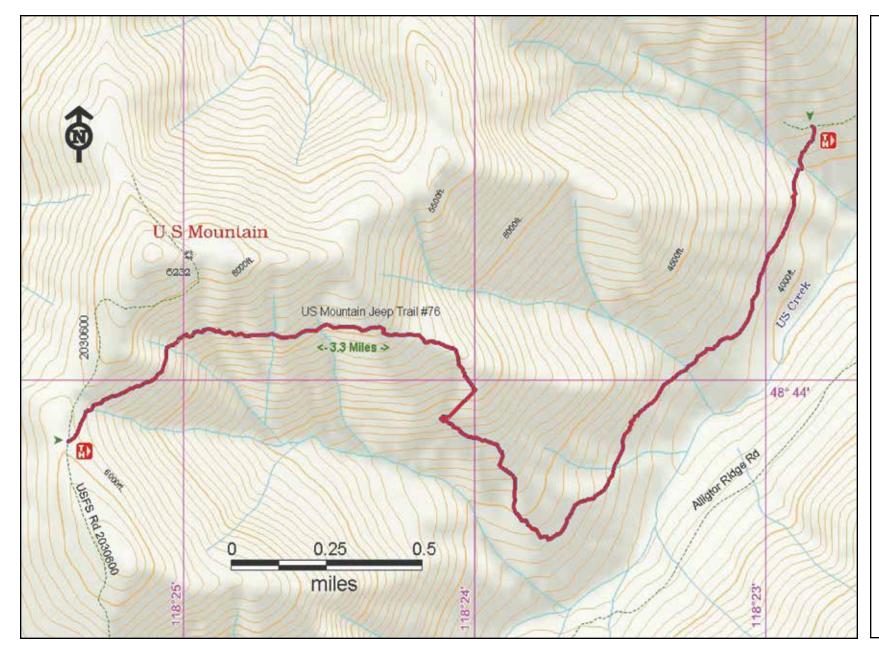
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US MOUNTAIN JEEP TRAIL #76, 3.3 MILES



Access:

From the junction of Hwy 20 and Hwy 25 travel west 21.6 miles staying to left when US Hwy 395 turns right. Turn right on Albion Hill Road. Travel 7.7 miles. Turn right on USFS Rd 2030 600. Travel 1.8 miles to US Mt Trailhead to your right. (It looks at first like a small meadow.) You can return to Albion Hill Rd using US Mine Rd #6114.

Description:

This is a steep and rocky trail with the brush close into the trail. There are wet areas along the trail. Be prepared to clear downed trees and rocks from the roadway. Easiest access is from the top off Albion Hill Road. Look carefully for the stake for the 600 road. Some disbursed camping is available near the trailhead. A horseshoe marks one tree in the camp.

Emergency phone number: 911

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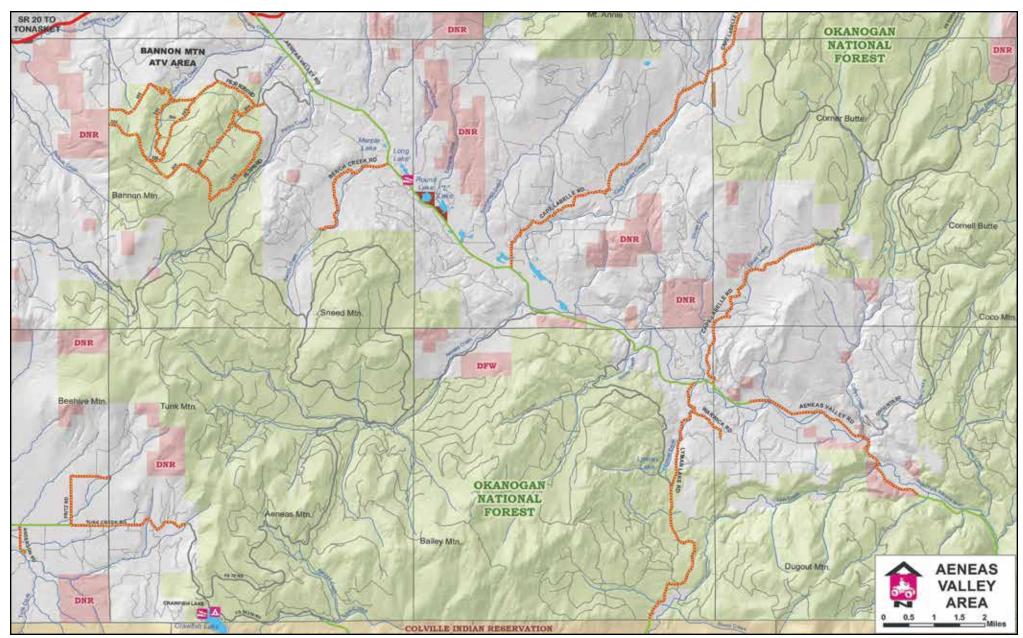


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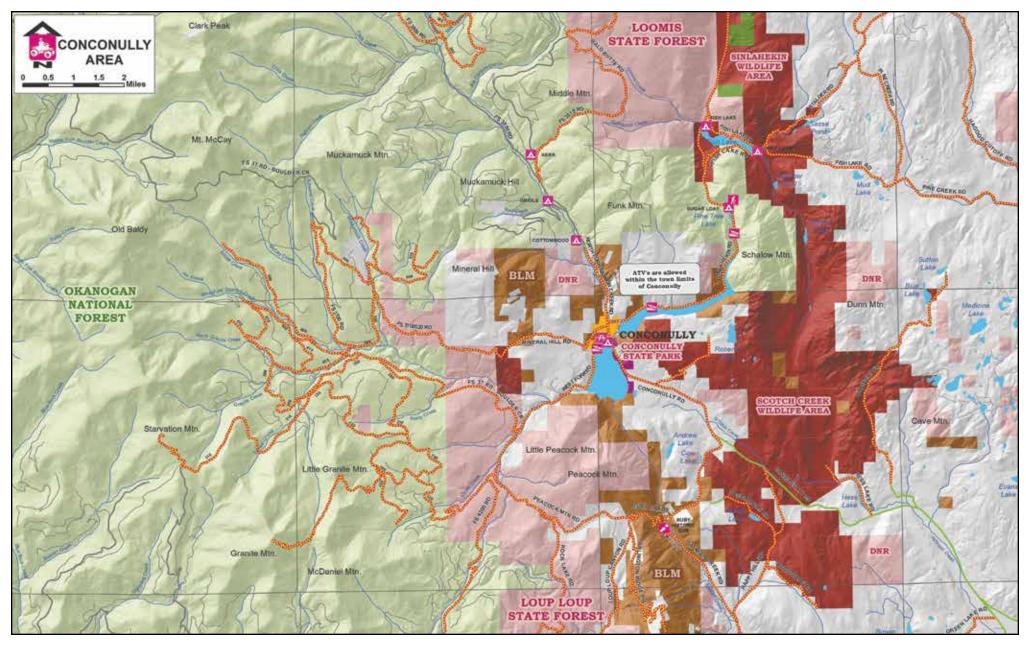
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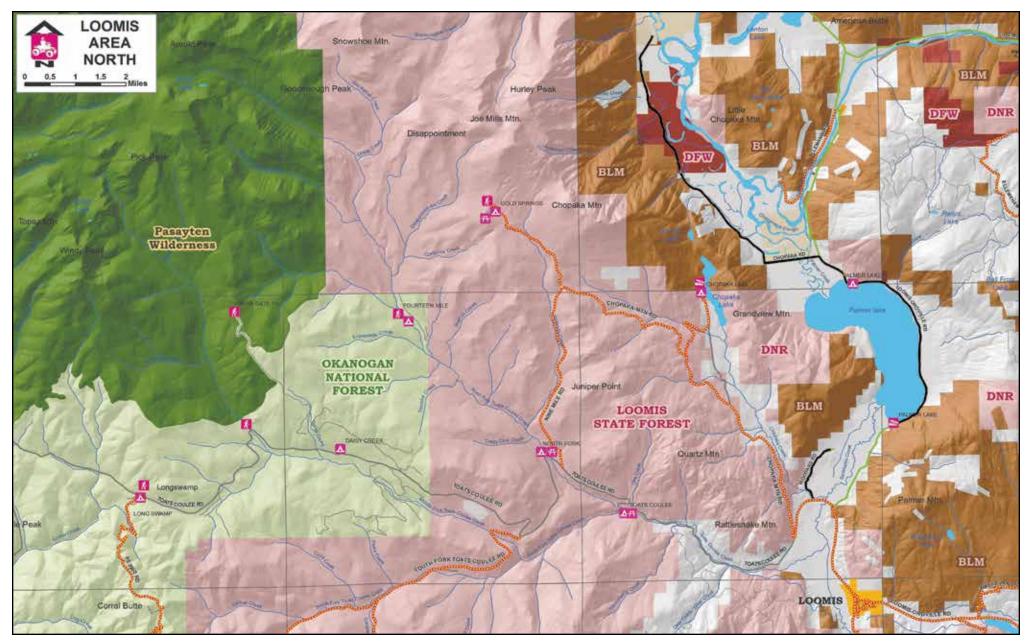


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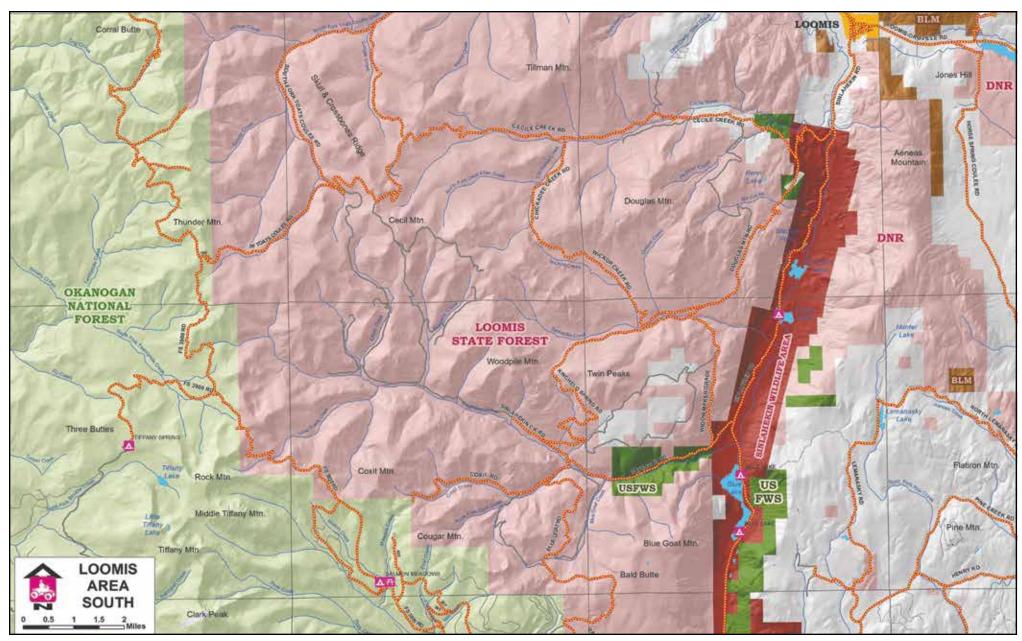
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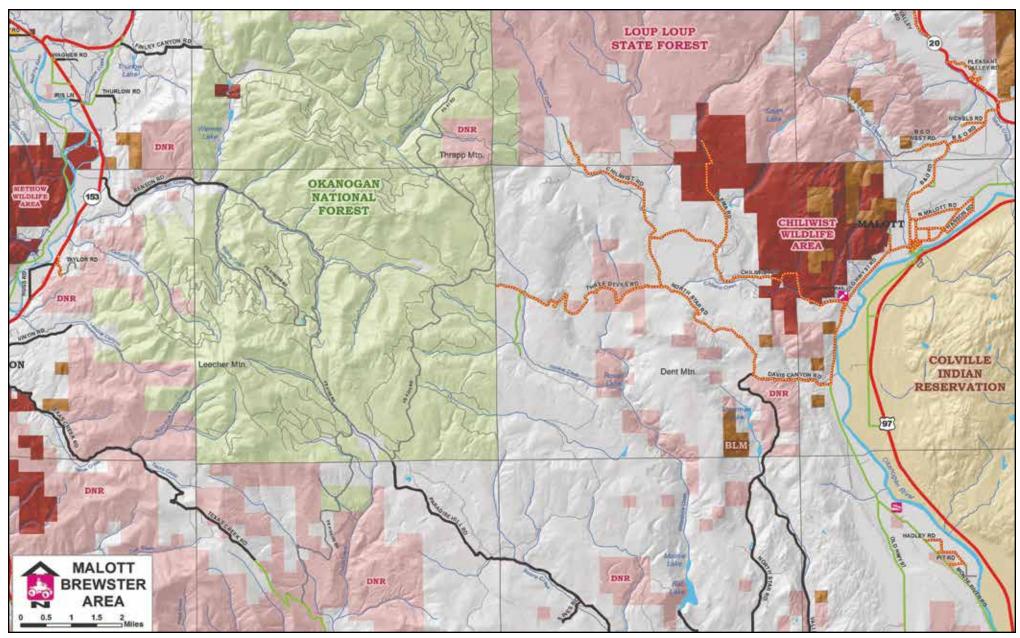




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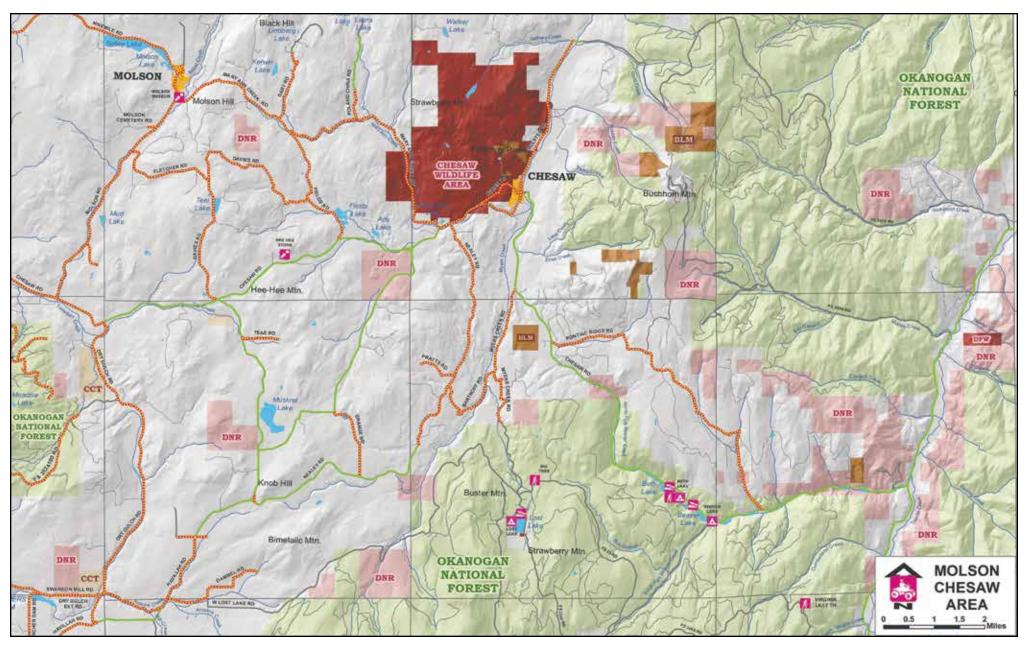


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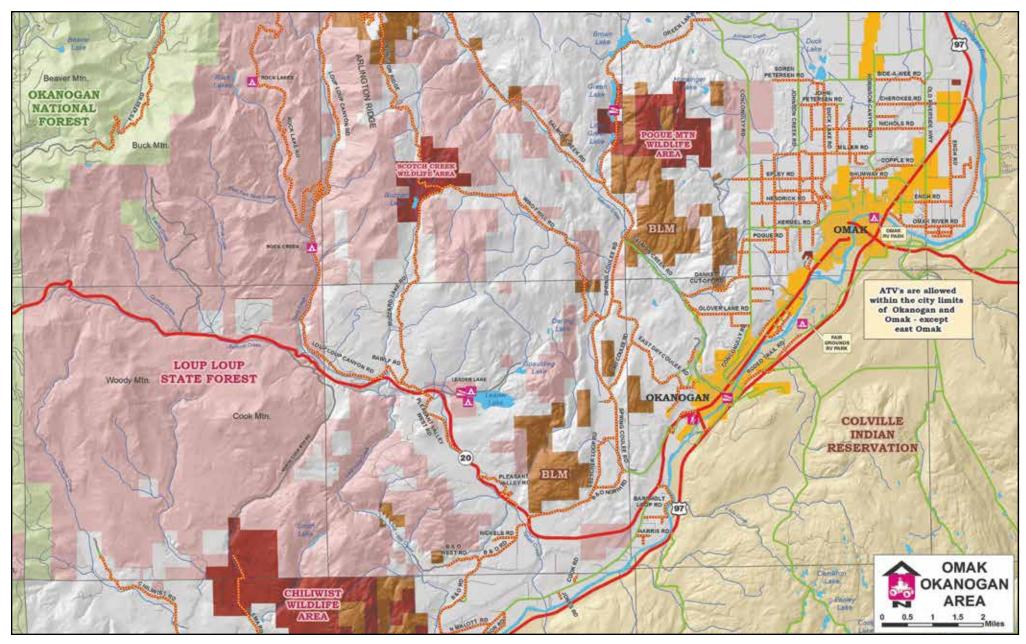
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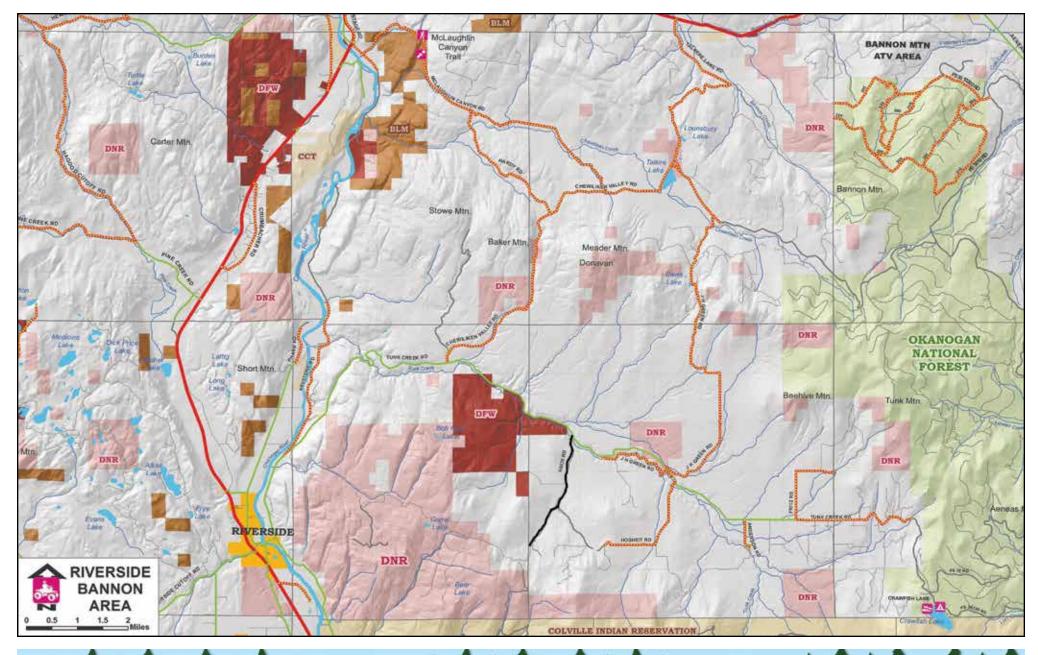


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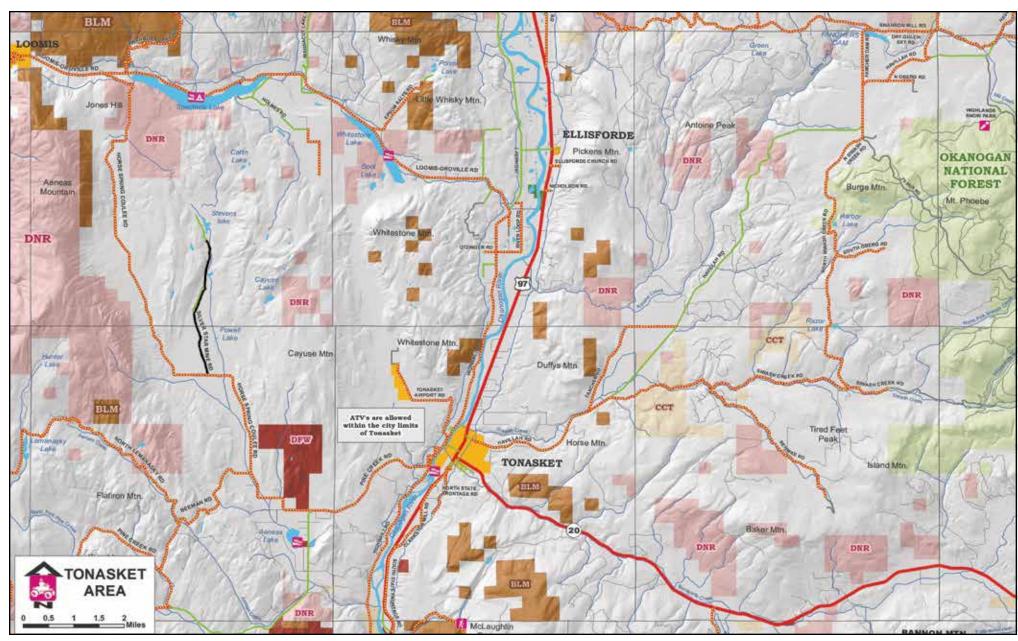
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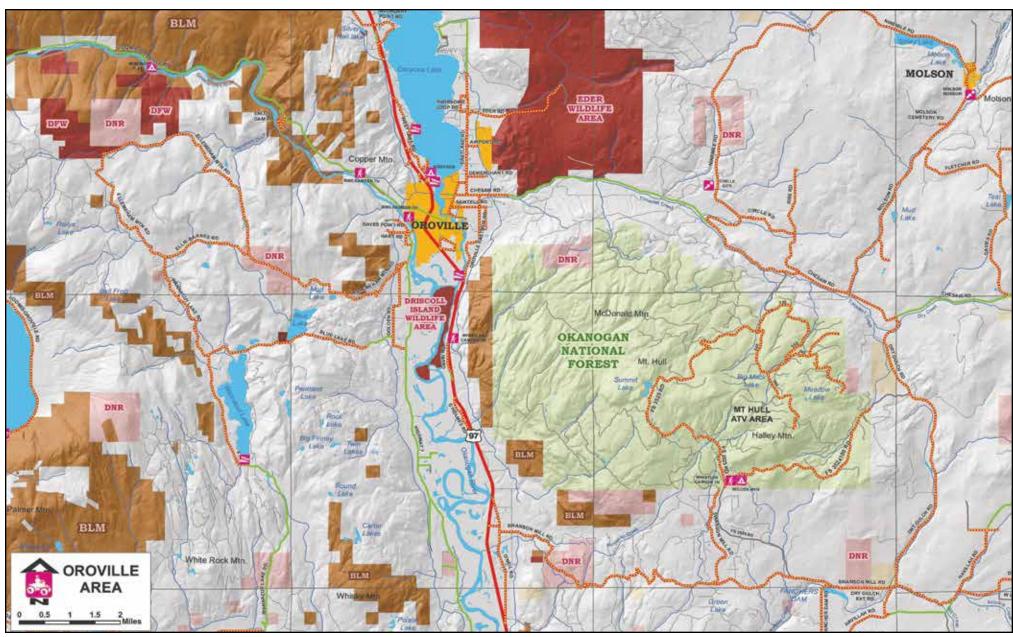




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Summer recreation shared trails require respect for all user groups. The following are guidelines for different user groups:

ORV

- · Obey all rules that apply to automobile traffic.
- · Current registration decal is required.
- Do not operate in such a way as to endanger human life, wildlife or animals.
- It is unsafe to pass livestock unless they know you are there. Coming upon horse riders or ranches herding their cattle, pull over to the side of the road and turn off your engine until they pass.
- · Yield the right-of-way to all motor vehicles, pedestrians and to uphill traffic.
- · When traveling in groups, proceed in single file, do not block the trail when stopping, always respect public and private property, keep to the right, and respect designated areas, trail use signs and established trails.
- · Slow down and use caution approaching or overtaking another recreationist.
- · ORV operators must have a valid driver's license.
- · ORV operators are subject to DUI and controlled substance laws.
- · Head lamp and tail lamps must be lighted whenever vehicle is in motion.
- · Upon coming across a closed gate, make sure it is re-closed after you pass.

- When riding in a group and approaching traffic from the opposite direction, use your fingers to indicate how many riders are behind you.
- · Slow down when sight lines are poor.
- · No cross country travel; stay on designated roads and trails.
- · Bring it in, pack it out.
- · Except for an off-road vehicle equipped With seatbelts and roll-bars or an enclosed passenger compartment, it is a traffic infraction for any person to operate or ride an off-road vehicle on a non-highway road or highway road designated under OCC 10.10.010 without wearing upon his or her head a motorcycle helmet fastened securely while motion.
- · All users of wheeled all-terrain vehicles on public roadways and rights of way within Okanogan County shall strictly comply with the provisions of Chapter 49.09 RCW and any other provisions of local, state and federal laws, codes or regulations including a WATV license plate.
- · Required licensing as per HB1632 wheeled all-terrain vehicles (WATVs) http://www.dol. wa.gov/forms/420003.pdf
- · All wheeled all-terrain vehicles (WATVs) must be licensed and get a metal tag.



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- · Wear a headlamp and reflective clothing after dark
- Equestrian users should indicate how many others are coming behind them to oncoming recreationists.

HIKERS

- · Pets must be on a short leash
- · Single file
- · Obey rules of the road
- · Keep to the right
- · Wear reflective clothing after dark.