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~ **MOTORIZED TRAIL SYSTEM** ~

SANDPOINT RANGER DISTRICT

The Sandpoint Ranger District is highlighting ten trails for riding off-highway vehicles, including all-terrain vehicles, and trail bikes.

Within these areas, you must stay on signed routes marked with symbols showing the kind of vehicle you're driving. For the most fun, choose trails that match operating limitations of you and your vehicle. This brochure offers maps that show trail difficulty

Please follow these enforced forest regulations for treading lightly on the land:

- ◆ ATV and motorcycle operators must wear DOT-approved helmets and eye protection.
- ◆ Children under 8 may not operate ATVs or motorcycles. An operator under 16 must have constant supervision by an adult over the age of 18.
- ◆ No passengers are allowed on ATVs, unless vehicles are designed to carry passengers.
- ◆ Unlicensed vehicles are not allowed on designated Forest Service roads.
- ◆ Spark arresters, mufflers, and brakes are required for motorized vehicles.
- ◆ Travel only on OHV designated routes. Cross-country travel is prohibited.

Caribou Lake Trail #58

Length: 2 miles one-way

Primary Use: ATV. Motorbikes

Difficulty: ATV – moderate,

Hiker - moderate

Elevation gain/loss: 440 feet

Primary Season: June - October

USGS Map: Mt. Casey

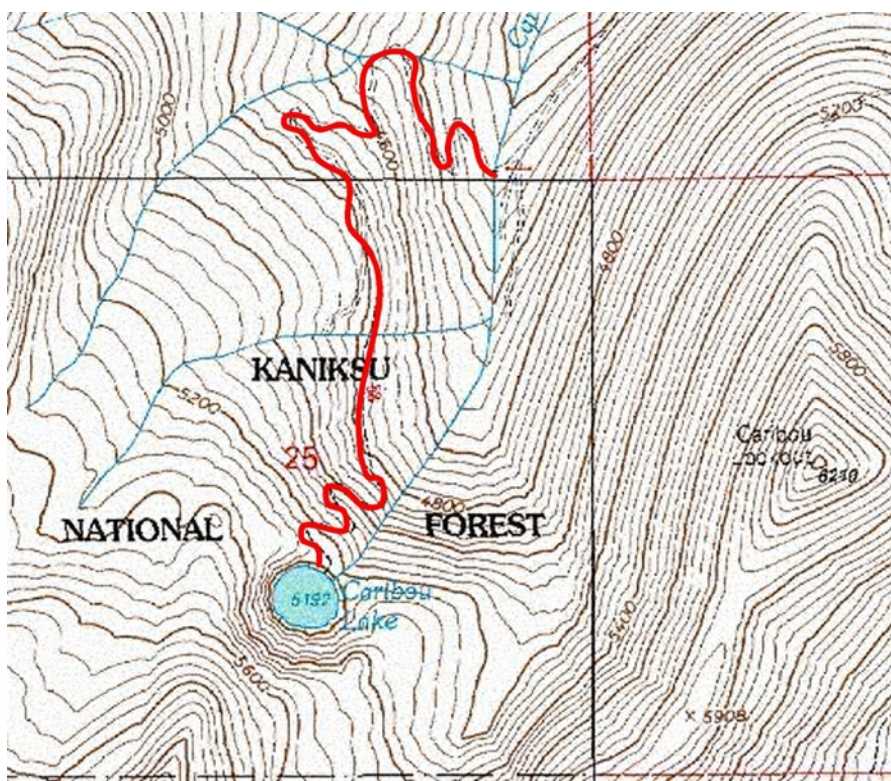
Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 95 north 13 miles to Pack River Road 231. Turn left onto Road 231 and go 5 miles to Caribou Creek Road 2684; turn left onto Road 2684 and go 8 miles to the trailhead.

Trailhead: Parking at the end of Road 2684 for 3 vehicles.

Attractions and considerations: This short trail provides access to Caribou Lake. There are a few campsites at the lake.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to motorized vehicles over 50" in width including UTV's yearlong except snowmobiles.

Caribou Lake Trail #58



Twin Creek Trail #77

Length: 5.7 miles one-way

Primary Use: ATV's, Motorbikes

Difficulty: Easy

Elevation gain/loss: 1700 feet

Primary Season: June - October

USGS Map: Derr Point

Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 200 east 25 miles to Clark Fork; turn right onto Stevens Street and cross the Clark Fork River; turn left and go 4.5 miles to Ruen Road 1021; turn right onto Road 1021 and go approx. 2 miles to Twin Creek Road 277; take Road 277 to the trailhead.

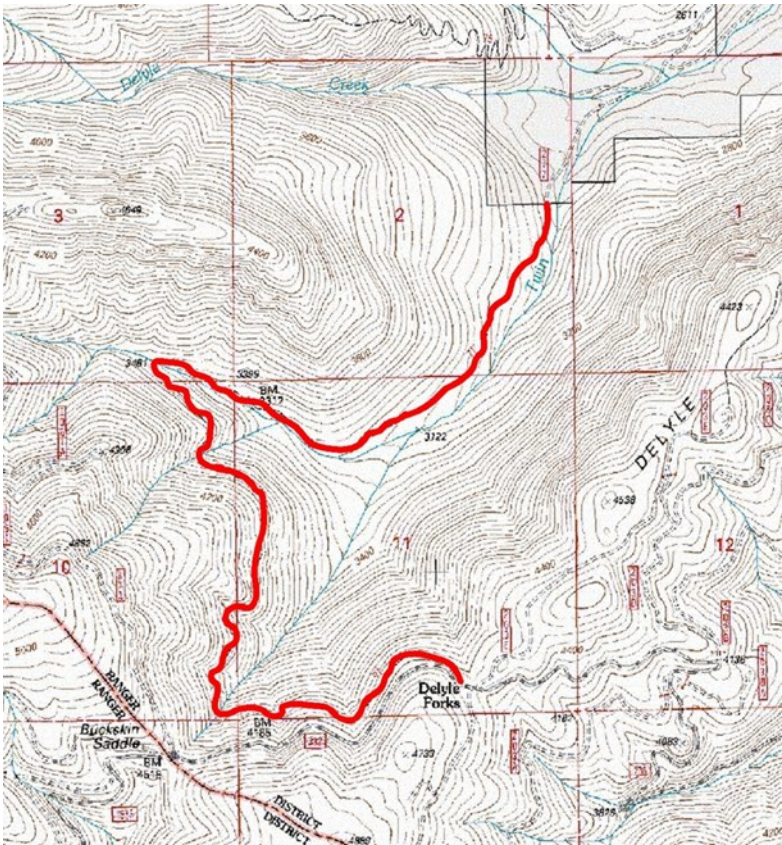
To reach the upper trailhead cross the Clark Fork River and go 6 miles to Dry Creek Road 208; turn right onto Road 208 and go 7 miles to Delye Forks. The upper trailhead is located here.

Trailhead: wide spot in road at both trailheads.

Attractions and considerations: The trail is on an old roadbed and is excellent for ATV's and motorbike riders. Views are limited to the surrounding forest.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to motorized vehicles over 50" width including UTV's yearlong. No restrictions to snowmobiles.

Twin Creek Trail #77



Mosquito Ridge #144

Length: 3 miles one-way

Primary Use: Motorbike, Horseback

Difficulty: Motorbike – more difficult, Hiker – moderate

Elevation gain/loss: 160 feet

Primary Season: July – October

USGS Map: Clark Fork SW

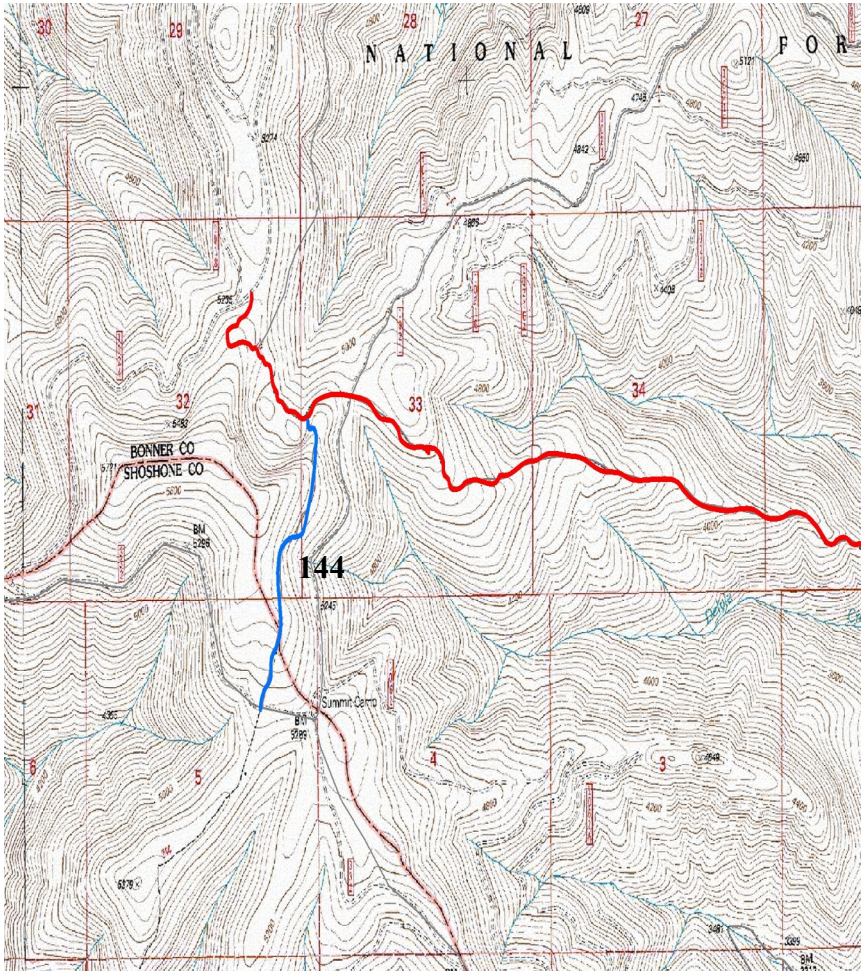
Access: From Trail 75

Attractions and considerations: Tread is generally narrow. Connects with Delyle Creek Trail 75 and motorbike trails on the Coeur d' Alene River Ranger District.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to ATV's and UTV's yearlong. No restrictions to motorbikes or snowmobiles



Mosquito Ridge #144



Little Blacktail #231

Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 95 south 12 miles to Butler Creek Road (located just past Tri-Con Bolt); turn left onto Butler Creek Road and go 1.7 miles to Butler Creek Road 230; turn left onto Road 230 and go 2.7 miles to the end of the road which is a trailhead for 3 trails. Follow the signs for Trail 231.

Length: 2.1 miles one-way

Difficulty: Motorbike – moderate, ATV – most difficult

Highest Elevation: 4040 feet

Elevation gain/loss: 840 feet

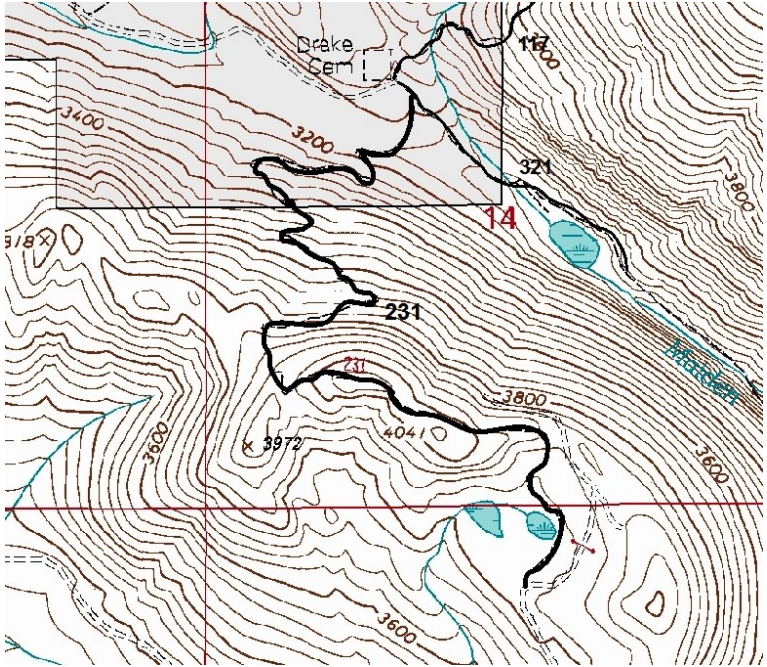
USGS map: Cocolalla

Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 95 south 12 miles to Butler Creek Road (located just past Tri-Con Bolt); turn left onto Butler Creek Road and go 1.7 miles to Butler Creek Road 230; turn left onto Road 230 and go 2.7 miles to the end of the road which is a trailhead for 3 trails. Follow the signs for Trail 231.

Attractions and considerations: Mostly used by motorbike riders, this connects with Talache-Blacktail Trail 117 and Radar Hill Trail 232.

Travel Restrictions: [4] Closed to motorized vehicles over 50" in width yearlong except snowmobiles.

Little Blacktail #231



White Mountain #453

Length: 4 miles, one-way

Primary Use: motorbike, hiker

Difficulty: Motorbike – most difficult,

Elevation gain/loss: 2887 feet

Primary Season: June - October

USGS Map: Dodge Peak

Access: From Trail 222 or From Sandpoint take Hwy 95 north 13 miles to Pack River Road 231; turn left onto Road 231 and go 13 miles to Pearson Creek Road 2605; turn right onto Road 2605 and go 4 miles to the trail located on the right.

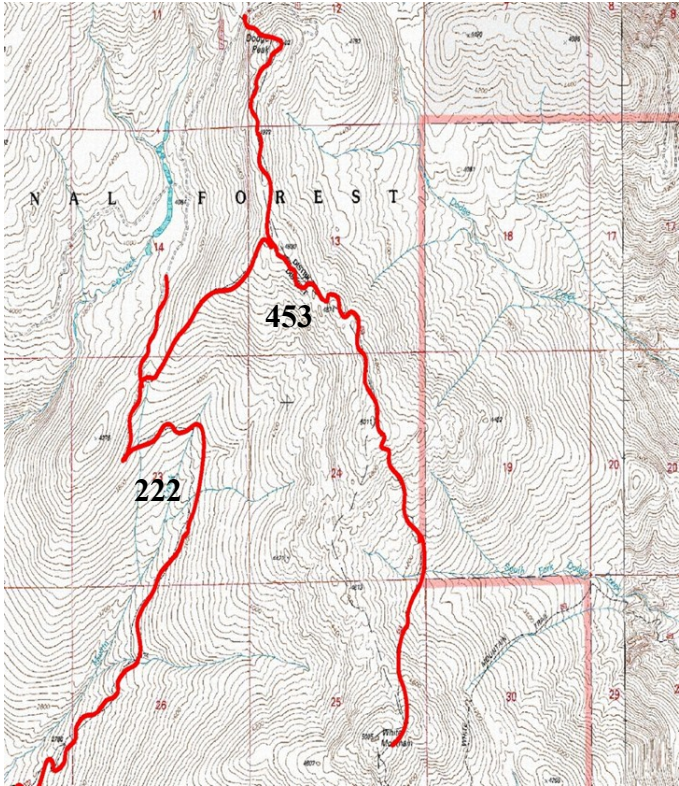
Trailhead: Wide spot in road

Attractions and considerations: Trail goes up and down with nice views from Dodge Peak and White Mtn. Tread is very narrow and over grown with brush.

Trail Restriction: Closed to all motorized vehicles over 50” in width including ATV’s and UTV’s. No restrictions for snowmobiles.



White Mountain #453

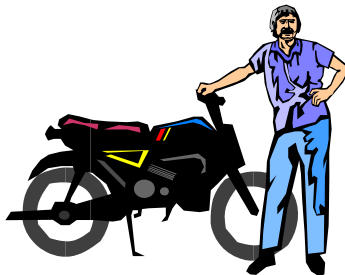


MOTORIZED TRAIL TIPS

- ◆ Don't ride cross-country - stay on established trails. Cross-country travel can increase soil erosion, ignite wildfire, spread noxious weeds and damage wildlife habitat.
- ◆ Always ride in control. Ride within your abilities and your machine's capabilities. Never attempt anything that is beyond your skill level.
- ◆ Always wear the appropriate safety gear. At a minimum, this should include a helmet, shatter resistant eye protection, long sleeves, long pants, gloves, and boots that cover the ankle.
- ◆ Only carry passengers if your OHV is specifically designed to do so. ATVs and off-road motorcycles are generally designed to carry only one rider. Carrying passengers can alter the balance of the machine, causing a loss of control.
- ◆ Riders under the age of 16 should be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.
- ◆ Be prepared for an emergency. Always carry a tool kit and spare parts, a first aid kit, and survival equipment when you ride.
- ◆ Avoid wet areas and waterways. They are a vital resource for plants and animals.
- ◆ Don't cut switchbacks. Taking shortcuts damages trails and causes erosion.
- ◆ Share the trails and make friends with other trail users. Stop or slow down and lower the noise and dust levels.

GOOD NEIGHBOR TIPS

- ◆ Park considerately without blocking other vehicles or impeding access to trails.
- ◆ Keep to the right when meeting other recreationists and yield the right-of-way to downhill traffic.
- ◆ Slow down and use caution when approaching or overtaking another.
- ◆ Travel only where motorized vehicles are permitted.
- ◆ Respect designated areas and trail use signs.
- ◆ Do not block the trail when stopping.
- ◆ Do not disturb wildlife. Avoid all areas posted for their protection or feeding.
- ◆ Do not litter. Pack out everything you pack in.
- ◆ Realize that your destination and travel speed are determined by your equipment, ability, terrain, weather and traffic on the trail. Plan accordingly.
- ◆ Do not interfere with or harass others. Recognize that people form opinions about all motorized vehicle users based on your actions.



Auxor Mine #2240

Length: 1.5 miles, one-way

Primary Use: ATV, Motorbike

Difficulty: easy

Elevation gain/loss: 500 feet

Primary Season: June - October

USGS Map: Trestle Creek

Access: The best access is from Trail 444. From Clark Fork, take Lightning Creek Road 419 approx. 13 miles to Auxor Basin Road 489; turn left and go 8 miles to the trail.

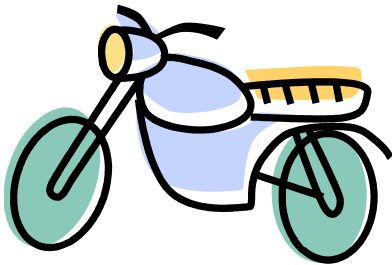
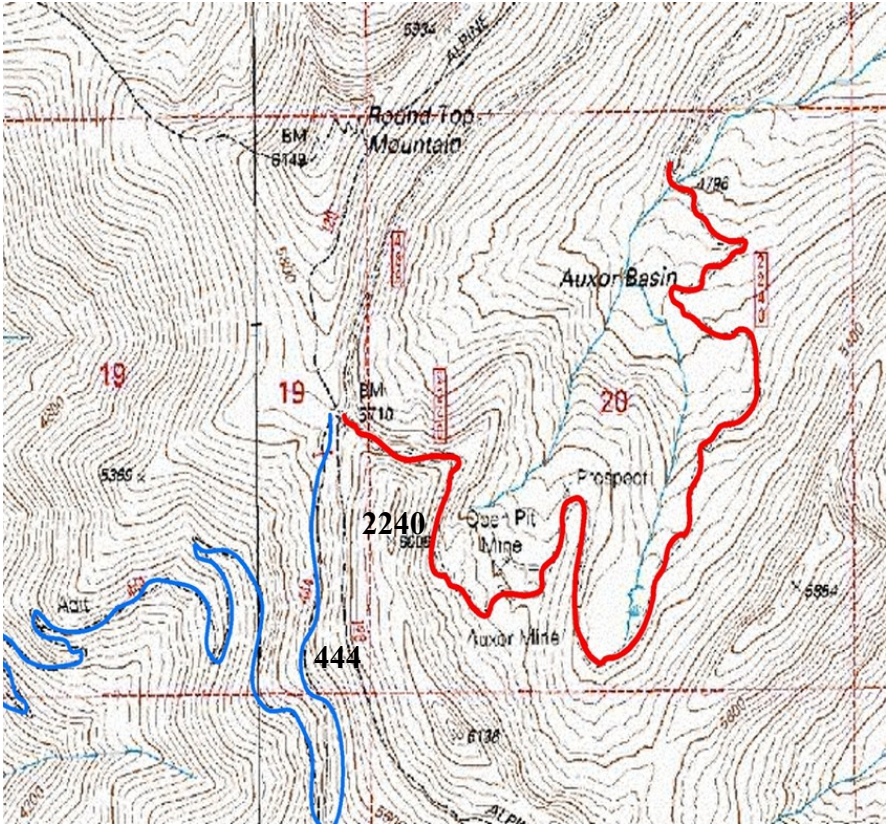
Trailhead: Ample parking at Trailhead for Trail 444.

Attractions and considerations: This trail is an extension of Trail 444.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to motorized vehicles over 50" in width including UTV's yearlong except snowmobiles.



Auxor Mine #2240



Strong Creek Trail #444

Length: 7.3 miles one-way

Primary Use: Hiker, ATV

Difficulty: Hiker – more difficult, ATV - moderate

Elevation gain/loss: 4600 feet

Primary Season:

USGS Map: June - October

Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 200 east 16 miles to Hope. From Hope take Grandview Avenue to Strong Creek Road. Follow Strong Creek Road to the trailhead.

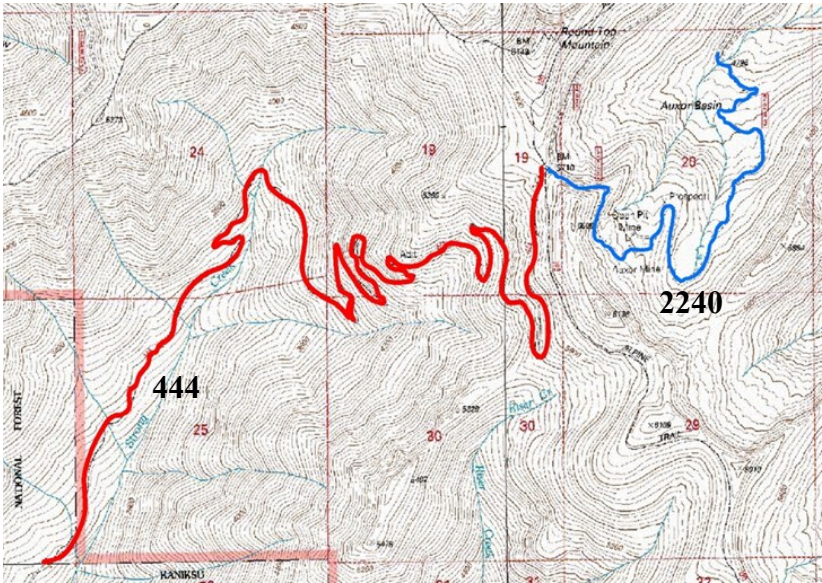
Upper Trailhead: From Clark Fork take Lighting Creek road 419 approx 14 miles to Auxor Basin Road 489; turn left onto Road 489 and go 9 miles to the trailhead

Trailhead: New trailhead with parking for 5 or more vehicles.

Attractions and considerations: A new trailhead on Strong Creek Road was constructed in 2010; there is ample room for parking and turning around. Access to the upper trailhead on Road 489 is not recommended for towing trailers. The road is very rough. A local favorite for ATV riders, hikers and mountains bikers this old road traverses through the forest with nice views of Lake Pend Oreille near the top. It connects Auxor Mine Trail 2240 (also open to ATV's). Crosses Beetop-Roundtop Trail 120 which is closed to all motorized vehicles.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to ATV's and UTV's yearlong. No restrictions to motorbikes or snowmobiles.

Strong Creek Trail #444



Martin Creek Trail #222

Length: 3.8 miles, one-way

Primary Use: ATV, motorbike, hiker

Difficulty: ATV – moderate, Hiker – moderate

Elevation gain/loss: 1902 feet

Primary Season: June - October

USGS Map: Dodge Peak

Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 95 north 13 miles to Pack River Road 231; turn left onto Road 231 and go 8 miles to the trailhead located on the right.

The upper trailhead is reached by staying on Road 231 for another 5 miles to Pearson Creek Road 2605; turn right onto Road 2605 and go 4 miles to the access road for the trail located on the right. The trail is located a short distance down the access road behind the gate (sometimes closed).

Trailhead: Parking along the road

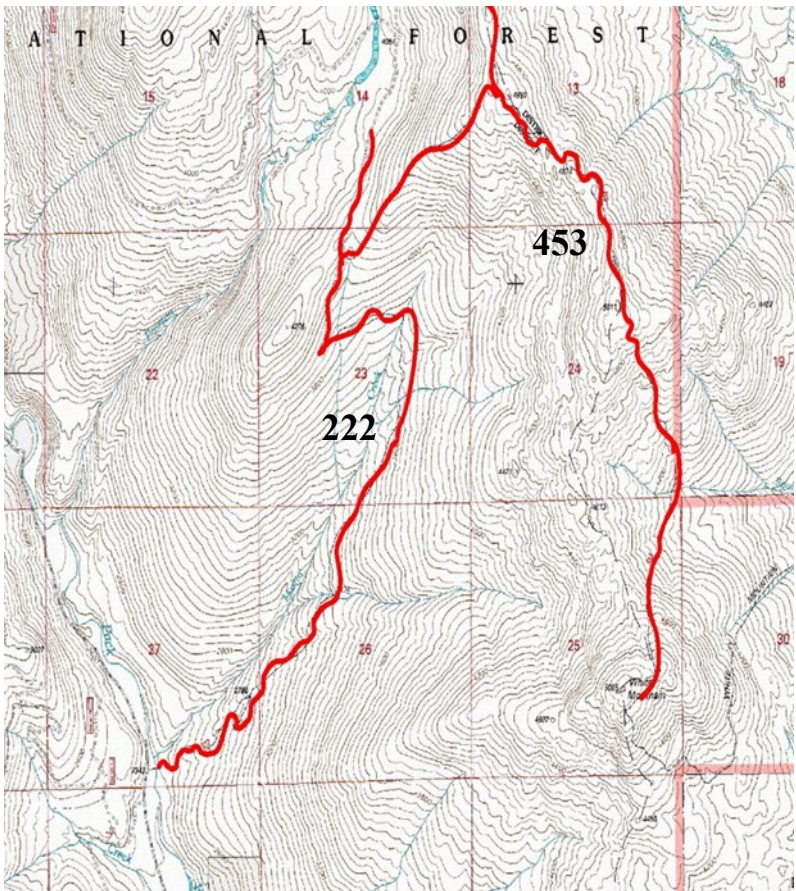
Attractions and considerations: This is an excellent trail for ATVS and motorbikes. There are nice views along the entire route.

The Pack River has to be forded on this trail if you start at the bottom. Fording the creek is not recommended during spring run off or after periods of rain.

If you start at the top, you can take the trail down to the river and turn around instead of fording the creek.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to motorized vehicles over 50" width including UTV's yearlong. No restrictions to snowmobiles.

Martin Creek Trail #222



Talache-Blacktail #117

Length: 6.2 miles, one-way

Primary Use: motorbike, hiker

Difficulty: Motorbike – most difficult, Hiker – most difficult

Elevation gain/loss: 1500 feet

Primary Season: June - October

USGS Map: Sagle

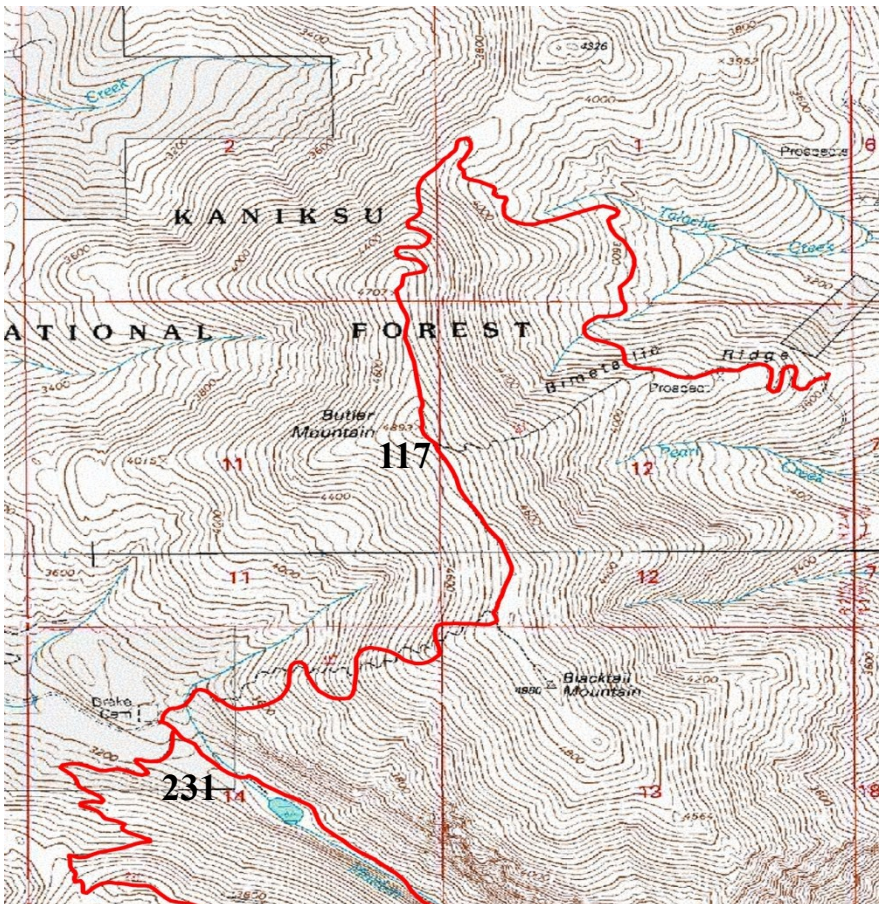
Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 95 south 12 miles to Butler Creek Road (located on the left just past Tri-Con Bolt); turn left go 1.7 miles to Butler Creek Road 230; turn left onto Road 230 and go 2.7 miles to the end of the road. This is the trailhead for 3 trails. Follow the signs for Trail 117. There is also access to this trail from Talache, but the access road is rough and parking is limited to 1 or 2 vehicles.

Trailhead: Parking and turn-around at Butler Creek Road
Limited parking at the Talache Trailhead.

Attractions and considerations: This is a local favorite with motorbike riders. Recent improvements to the trail have eliminated some of the steepest grades. About 3 miles up the trail there is a short spur trail to Blacktail Mtn. with excellent views of Lake Pend Oreille.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to all motorized vehicles over 50" in width including ATV's and UTV's. No restrictions for snowmobiles.

Talache-Blacktail #117



Delyle Creek Trail #75

Length: 4.3 miles one-way

Primary Use: Motorbike, Horseback

Difficulty: Motorbike – more difficult, Hiker - moderate

Elevation gain/loss: 2520 feet

Primary Season: July – October

USGS Map: Clark Fork SW

Access: From Sandpoint take Hwy 200 east 25 miles to Clark Fork; turn right onto Steven's Street and cross the Clark Fork River; turn left and go 4.5 miles to Ruen Road 1021; turn right onto Road 1021 and go 2.5 miles to the lower trailhead.

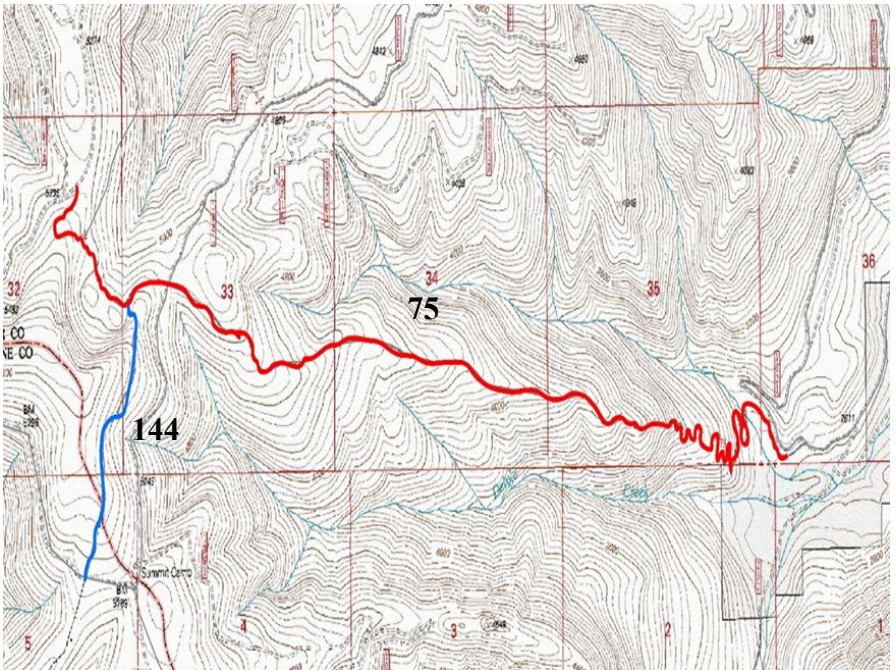
To reach the upper trailhead; stay on Road 1021 for 10 miles; the trail crossed the road at this point.

Trailhead: wide spot in road at both trailheads.

Attractions and considerations: Popular with motorbike and horseback riders this trail is in open timber with views of the surrounding forest. Connects with Trail 144.

Trail Restrictions: Closed to ATV's and UTV's yearlong. No restrictions to motorbikes or snowmobiles.

Delye Creek Trail #75



OHV's



- ⇒ Protect your riding privileges by staying on the trail.
- ⇒ Avoid riding over small trees and shrubs. Trampled vegetation not only looks bad but is damaging to wildlife habitat and helps erode the soil.
- ⇒ Always yield the right of way to non-motorized trail users.
- ⇒ Ride in the middle of the trail to avoid making it wider. It ruins the trail and is expensive to repair.
- ⇒ Honor locked gates and seasonal trail closures.
- ⇒ Never harass wildlife you may encounter riding the trails. Always stay a respectful distance.
- ⇒ Never litter. Remember Pack it in Pack it Out!
- ⇒ Make a realistic plan and tell others what you are doing and where you will be.
- ⇒ Avoid sensitive areas such as meadows, lakeshores, wetlands and streams. Please stay on designated trails.
- ⇒ Spark arrestors are required on all OHV's traveling on public land.

MOTORIZED TRAIL

SAFETY TIPS

Trails for motorized use have become very popular resulting in congested and potentially hazardous situations. Regardless of whether you are riding an off highway vehicle (OHV), bicycling or hiking, if you follow the same set of rules as everyone else, your trip will be safer and more enjoyable.

Help make our motorized trails safe for everyone by using the following guidelines:

- ◆ **Be Courteous.** All trail users should be respectful of other users regardless of their mode, speed or level of skill.
- ◆ **Don't Block The Trail.** When in a group or with your pets, use no more than half the trail so as not to block the flow of other users.
- ◆ **Stopping.** When stopping, move off of the trail. Beware of others approaching you from behind and make sure they know you are pulling over.
- ◆ **Obey All Traffic Signs And Signals.** Use extra caution where trails cross streets. Stop at all signs and intersections and be cautious when crossing driveways. When entering or crossing a trail yield to traffic on the trail.
- ◆ **Don't Use A Trail Under The Influence Of Alcohol Or Drugs.** Don't overestimate the safety of any trail. You may need all of your reflexes quickly -- don't have them impaired.
- ◆ **Be Respectful Of Private Property.** Trails are open to the public, but often the land on the side of the trail is private property. Please respect all property rights.
- ◆ **Clean Up Litter.** Do not leave glass, paper, cans, plastic, or any other debris on or near a trail. Remember Pack it in. Pack it out.
- ◆ **Always Exercise Due Care And Caution.**

RIDE SAFE



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