



Forest Service
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Lolo National Forest



Site Open

Clearwater Crossing Trailhead

This trailhead serves as the primary access to the Great Burn proposed wilderness for hikers, hunters, and Forest Service crews clearing trails from the adjacent guard station. The West Fork Fish Creek Trail #101 crosses the bridge and heads south towards Cedar Peak, while North Fork Fish Creek Trail #103 heads west from the trailhead, connecting to Straight Creek Trail #99 and then turning north. From these primary trails visitors can access the vast Great Burn area on both sides of the state line.

View this trailhead on the [interactive map](#) 

General Information

The trailhead is located in the [Clearwater Crossing Campground](#).

The trailhead features several fire rings, hitching rails, public corrals, and a series of signs interpreting the historic Great Burn and more recent fires in the area, as well as vault toilets.

Seasons of Use

Open year-round, snow dependent.

Restrictions

Please visit the [Forest's Alerts page](#) for information on restrictions, in particular please review the

Food/Wildlife Attractant Storage Order to help reduce the likelihood of human-to-bear conflicts.

Pet Information

Dogs must be under control at all times.

Office Contact Information



Ninemile Ranger Station

Address: 20325 Remount Road Huson, MT 59846

Phone: [406-626-5201](tel:406-626-5201)

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Closed on federal holidays)

Getting There

Latitude / Longitude

Latitude: 46.909106

Longitude: -114.80307

Directions

From I-90 exit 66, head south on Fish Creek Road #343 for 10.4 miles. Turn right on West Fork Fish Creek Road #7750, following signs for University of Iowa camp. The campground will be in 6.6 miles.

Parking

Parking for large horse trailers is available.

Facility and Amenity Information

Restrooms

Vault toilets

Horse/Pack Animal Information

Horse/Pack animals are allowed at this site.

Recreation Opportunities

Hiking

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Horse Riding and Camping


 [Horseback Riding](#)

 [Horse Camping](#)

Hunting/Shooting

 [Hunting](#)

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Miscellaneous Info

Trailhead is popular for long distance loop runs.