



# Mount Moriah Wilderness

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**Size:** 8,691 acres

**Elevation:** 6,000 – 9,331 feet

**Designation:** White Pine County Conservation, Recreation and Development Act (2006)

### Directions

The Mt. Moriah Wilderness Area is managed by both the BLM and the Forest Service. The Forest Service portion (79,996 acres) is to the south of the BLM portion. It is located in the Snake Creek Range in eastern Nevada within White Pine County, approximately 30 miles northeast of Ely, Nevada.

Access to the Mt. Moriah Wilderness Area from Ely is via Federal Highway 50 east bound, approximately 50 miles. Cross over the border into Utah, and after about a mile turn north toward the small community of Gandy. Once to Gandy (about 27 miles from Highway 50), turn westbound onto BLM Road 4032. In about seven miles you will drop down into Marble Canyon Wash. At the intersection in the wash turn left; this two-track road will take you to the northeastern corner of the wilderness area.



### Area Description

The Wilderness Area is made up of a complex array of canyons, jumbled peaks, and drainages, dotted with juniper, pinyon pine, and mountain mahogany. The highest point, Thunder Mountain, 9,331 feet, is located on along ridge that crosses the wilderness area's center. This high ridge supports douglas fir, white fir, bristlecone pine and limber pine. Remember that cutting or removing vegetation is not permitted. Gathering wood for campfires, when permitted, is limited to dead and down material. The canyon cliffs are pocketed with rock arches, shelter caves, expansive ledges and huge natural amphitheatres. These cliffs are excellent locations to spot Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep and a great variety of raptor species.

### Recreational Opportunities

Recreational opportunities include camping, hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, and hunting. Solitude is attainable in the small canyons and washes of the wilderness area. If carrying feed for horseback riding, it needs to be certified weed free. Hunting and non-commercial trapping are allowed under state and local laws within the wilderness area. Remember when camping that it is limited to 14 days and campsites are primitive. Please help preserve Nevada's fragile environments, park your vehicle and set up camp in previously used sites. Impact to the area can be minimized by practicing Leave No Trace ethics.

*Mechanized and motorized vehicles are NOT PERMITTED in a wilderness area.*

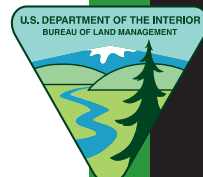
### Additional Information

- Signs indicating "Wilderness" and "Closed Road" or "Closed Route" are placed at various intervals. Obey all posted signs.
- Vehicles can be parked outside the wilderness boundary.
- Pets are allowed, but please keep your pets under control at all times.
- Removal, disturbance, or attempting to remove archaeological materials is a felony.
- Contact the Ely Office for current road conditions and hazards.

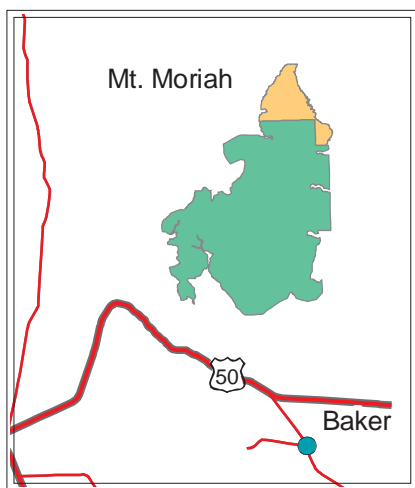
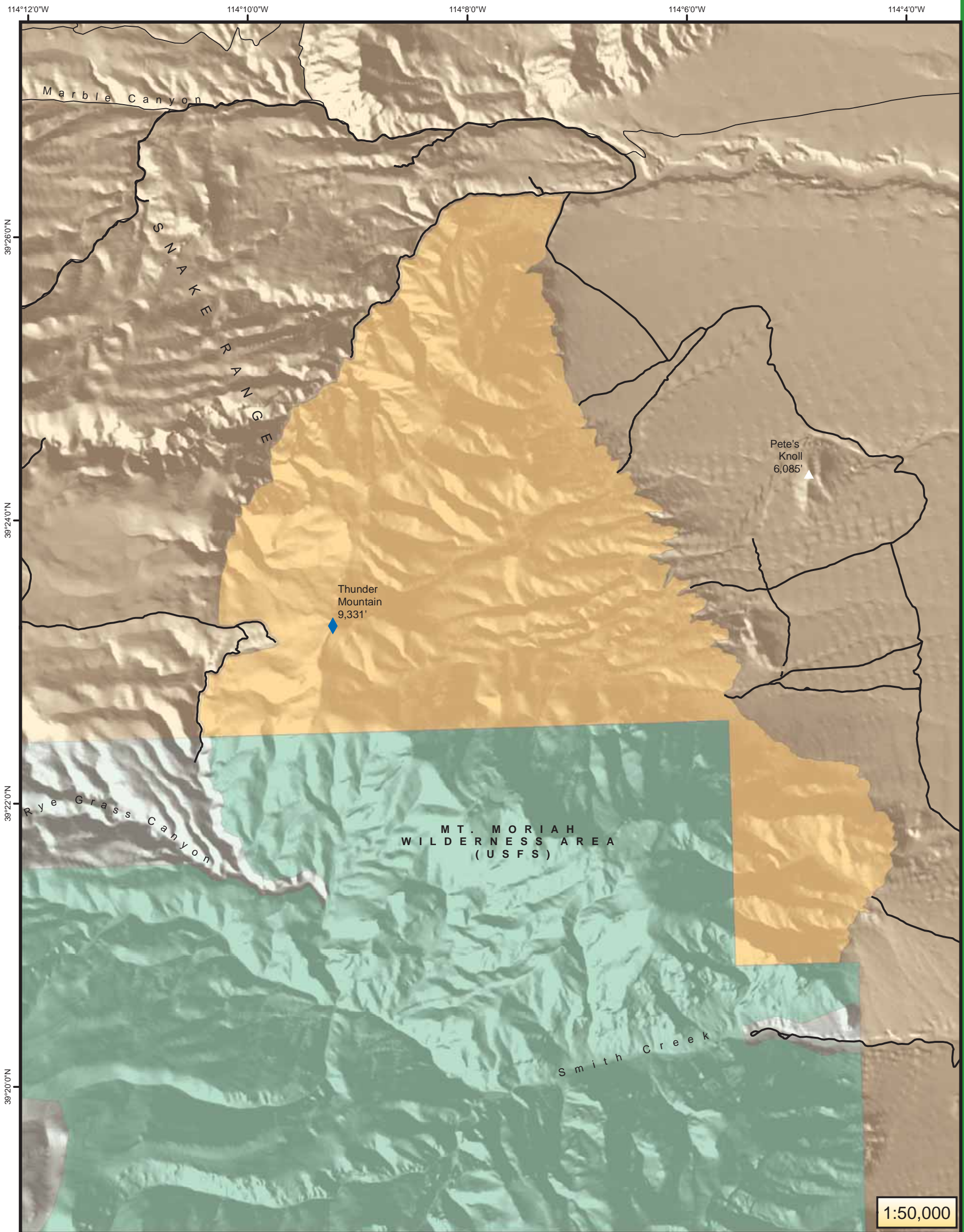


### Maps

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Mormon Jack Pass, Spring Mountain, Little Horse Canyon, Mt. Moriah  
BLM 1:100,000 Map: Ely



# Mount Moriah Wilderness Area



## Legend

- City
- ◆ Highest Point in Wilderness
- Route: 4WD or better
- Route: ATV
- Wilderness Area
- USFS Wilderness Area
- Land Managed by BLM
- US Forest Service



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