



Government Peak Wilderness

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Size: 6,313 acres

Elevation: 6,000 – 8,100 feet

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

Directions

Access to this Wilderness area from Baker is via State Highway 487 northwest to Federal Highway 6/50 west. After driving approximately 30 miles, turn north onto State Road 893 into North Spring Valley. Continue on this road for 40 miles, after the pavement ends, turn right (eastward) onto County Road 37. Follow the County Road for approximately 8 miles to BLM Road 23, continue straight through the intersection. The road forks in another two miles, take the right fork. Another 14 miles leads you to the northern tip of Government Peak Wilderness Area.



Area Description

The Government Peak Wilderness Area lies off the northern end of the Snake Range in eastern Nevada. Vegetation includes mostly desert brush and grass at the lower elevations to a scattering of pinyon and juniper stands on the slopes of Government Peak and surrounding hills. Bare rock cliffs jut skyward on the eastern side of the area. Paintbrush is the most common wildflower, along with the blooms of cactus. Remember that cutting or removing vegetation is not permitted. Gathering wood for campfires, when permitted, is limited to dead and down material. Mule deer, elk and wild horses are known to roam the region, along with the everpresent jackrabbits and coyotes. Raptors, such as red tail hawks and golden eagles, may be encountered.

Recreational Opportunities

Recreational opportunities include camping, hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, and hunting. The area provides opportunities for solitude in Indian George Wash, south of Government Peak and in the higher juniper covered areas. 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.

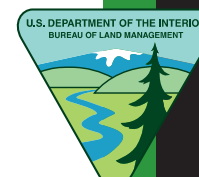
Additional Information

- 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.

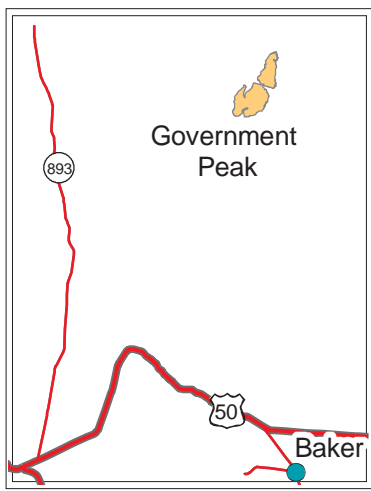
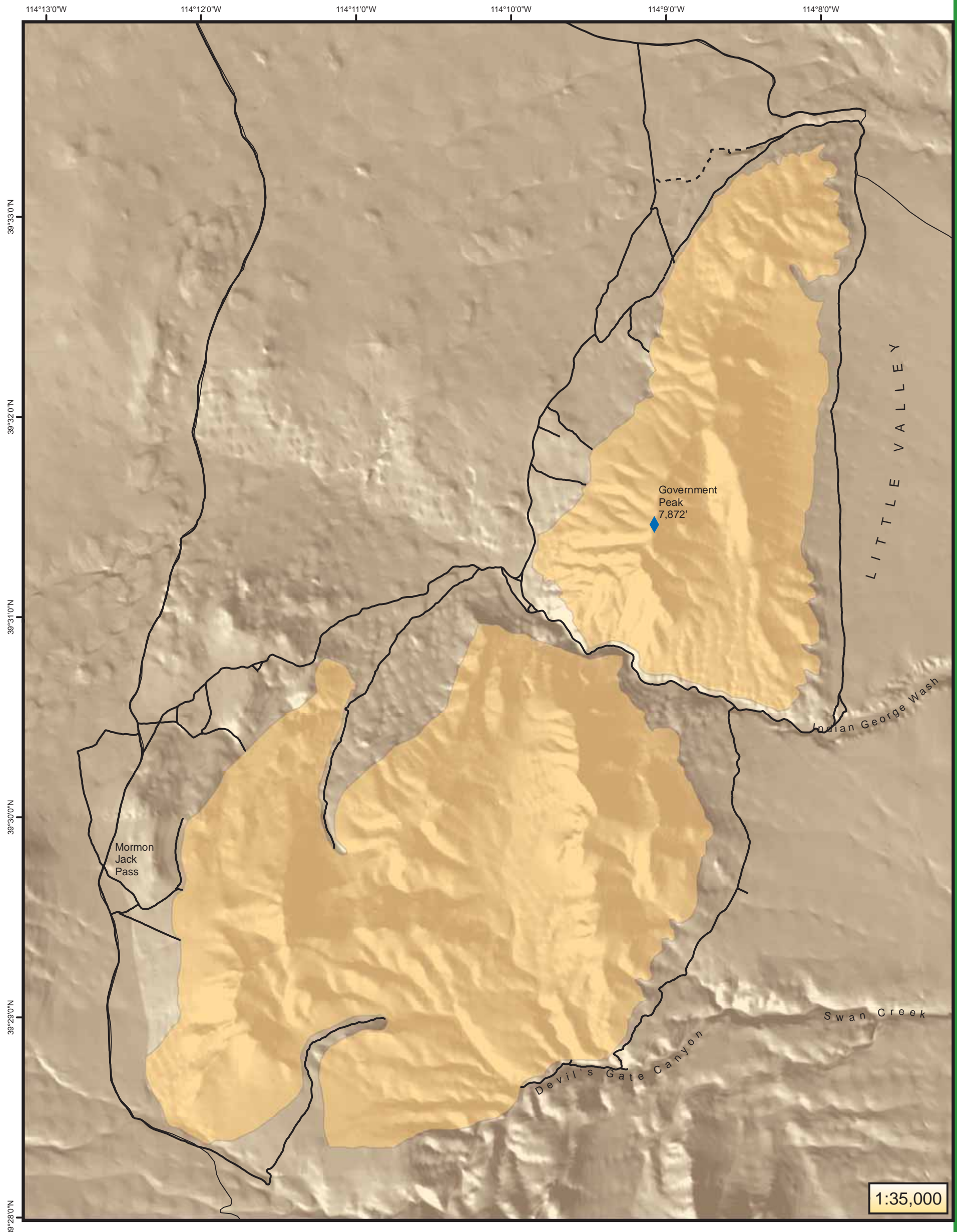


Maps

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Steptoe Government Peak, and Mormon Jack Pass
BLM 1:100,000 Maps: Kern Mountains, and Ely



Government Peak Wilderness Area



- Legend**
- City
 - ◆ Highest Point in Wilderness
 - ~ Route: 4WD or better
 - - - Route: ATV
 - Wilderness Area
 - Land Managed by BLM
 - Private Land



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1:24,000 Maps	
Government Peak	Tin Springs Mountain
Mormon Jack Pass	Spring Mountain
Kern Mountains 1:100,000	