



Mount Grafton Wilderness

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Size: acres 78,743 acres

Elevation: 6,000 – 10,991 feet

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

Directions

The Mt. Grafton Wilderness Area is located in the Schell Creek Range in White Pine and Lincoln Counties approximately 30 miles southwest of Ely. Access to the Mt. Grafton Wilderness Area from Ely is via Federal Highway 93 southbound approximately 50 miles. Federal Highway 93 near Geyser Ranch runs parallel to the east boundary of the wilderness area.



Area Description

The Mt. Grafton Wilderness Area is large and extremely rugged with numerous rock outcrops, crags, and peaks scattered throughout the high country. The broad slopes of the mountain are host to extensive stands of quaking aspen and mountain mahogany as well as conifer species including white fir, limber, and bristlecone pine. Remember that cutting or removing vegetation is not permitted. Gathering wood for campfires, when permitted, is limited to dead and down material. Streams provide adequate water for monkey flower, wild rose and primrose. Other flowers in the area include blue flax, cacti, arrow leaf balsam root and milk vetch.

Several creeks rush down from the higher elevations through large aspen groves. North Creek, a designated Scenic Area has a large riparian area and supports one of the few fisheries located entirely on BLM administered lands within the Ely district. The Mt. Grafton Wilderness is known for its outstanding populations of elk and mule deer. Also in the area are pronghorn antelope and there is potential for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

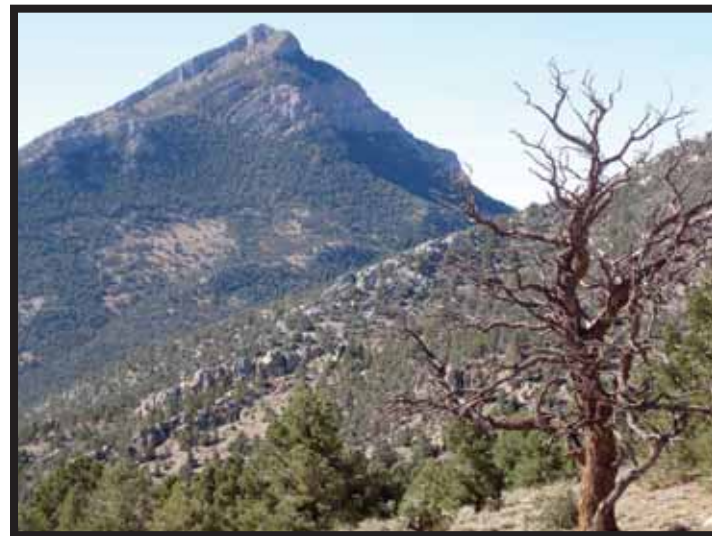
Recreational Opportunities

Recreational opportunities include camping, hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, and hunting. If horseback riding in the area you may need to carry feed. Hay must 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.

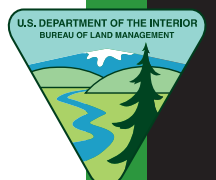
Additional Information

- 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.

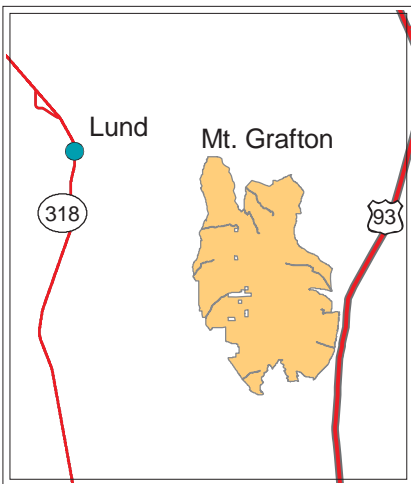
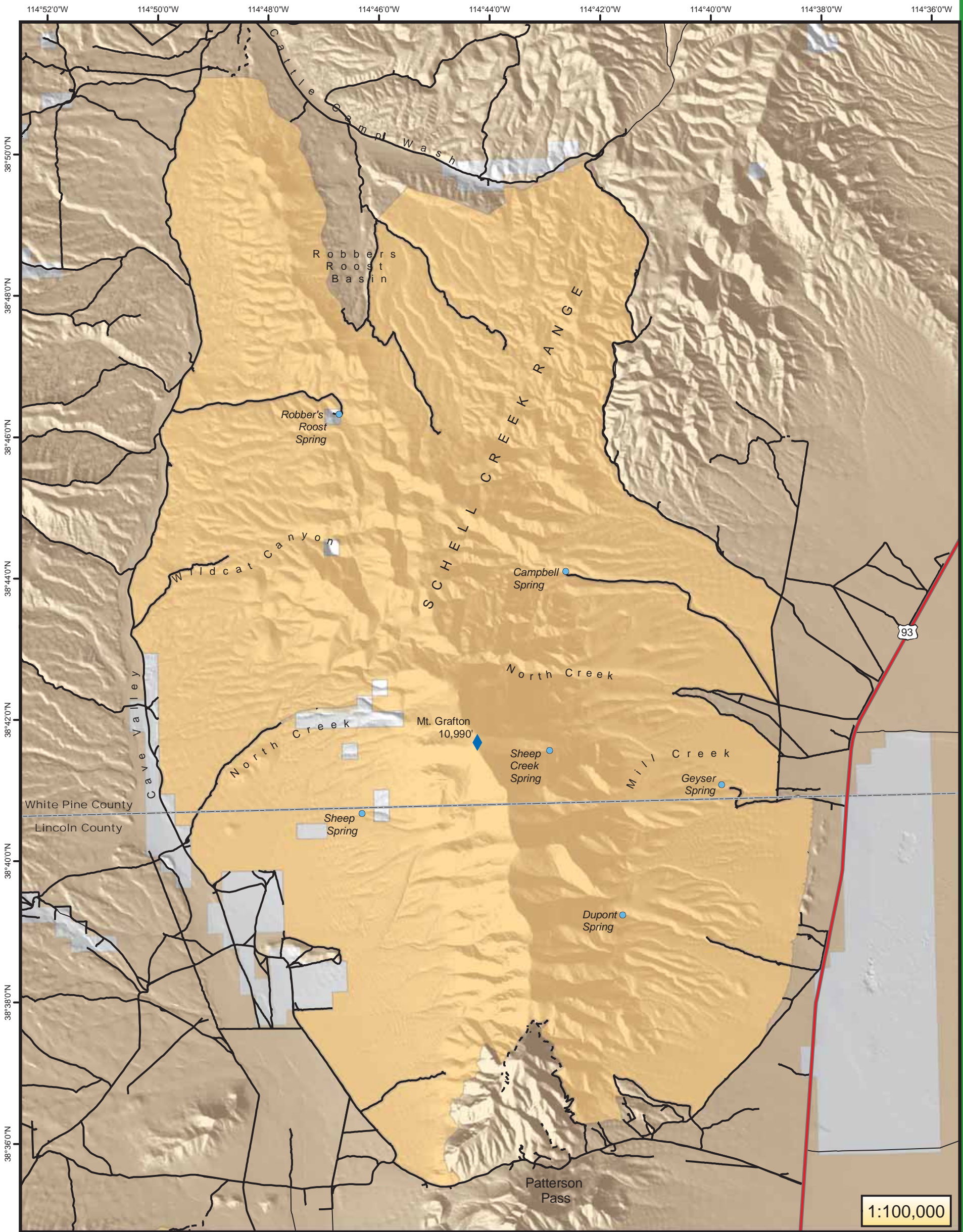


Maps

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Bullwhack Summit, Cattle Camp Spring, Parker Station, Mount Grafton, Shingle Pass SE, and Milk Ranch Spring
BLM 1:100,000 Map: Garrison



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Legend

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



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1:24,000 Maps

