



# Mount Irish Wilderness

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**Size:** 28,334 acres

**Elevation:** 4,800 - 7,504 feet

**Designation:** Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation and Development Act (2004)

### Directions

The Mount Irish Wilderness is located in central Lincoln County approximately 10 miles southwest of Hiko, Nevada. The wilderness lies at the center of the Mount Irish Range in central Lincoln County. Access to this wilderness is northwest via County Road 426 from Hiko, Nevada.



### Area Description

Forested with pinyon pine and juniper, the Mt. Irish Wilderness area allows for wandering through canyons and scrambling over limestone cliffs. The white undulating cliffs provide contrast against the darkness of the pines. The numerous rock formations leave open the possibility for undiscovered caves and alcoves. The relatively remote area provides excellent opportunities to escape and explore a landscape filled with cultural resources. The mountain slopes of the wilderness area extend out into long sloping bajadas providing habitat for desert bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, mule deer, and a variety of bird species.

The Mount Irish Archaeological Site lies just north of the wilderness area, and is filled with numerous rock art sites and other cultural resources. Also nearby on Mt. Irish itself (outside the wilderness area) are ancient stands of ponderosa pine.

### Recreational Opportunities

Opportunities for recreation in this area include hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, photography, nature study, and hunting. Solitude can be found in the forest or in one of the small canyons. If horseback riding in the area you may need to carry feed. Hay should 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.*

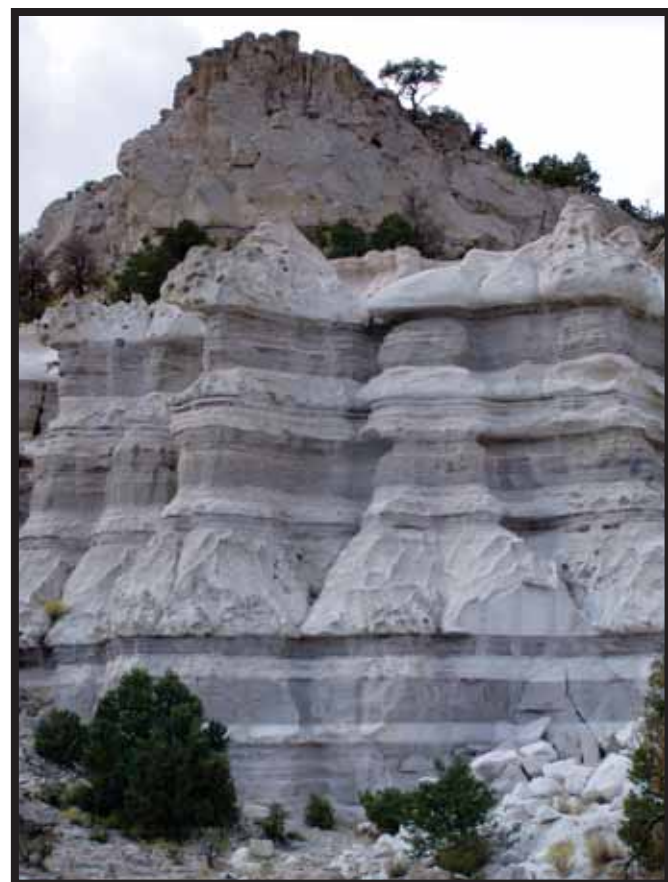
### Additional Information

- 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 Ely or Caliente Offices for current road conditions and hazards.

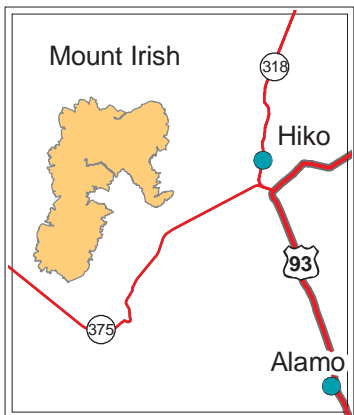
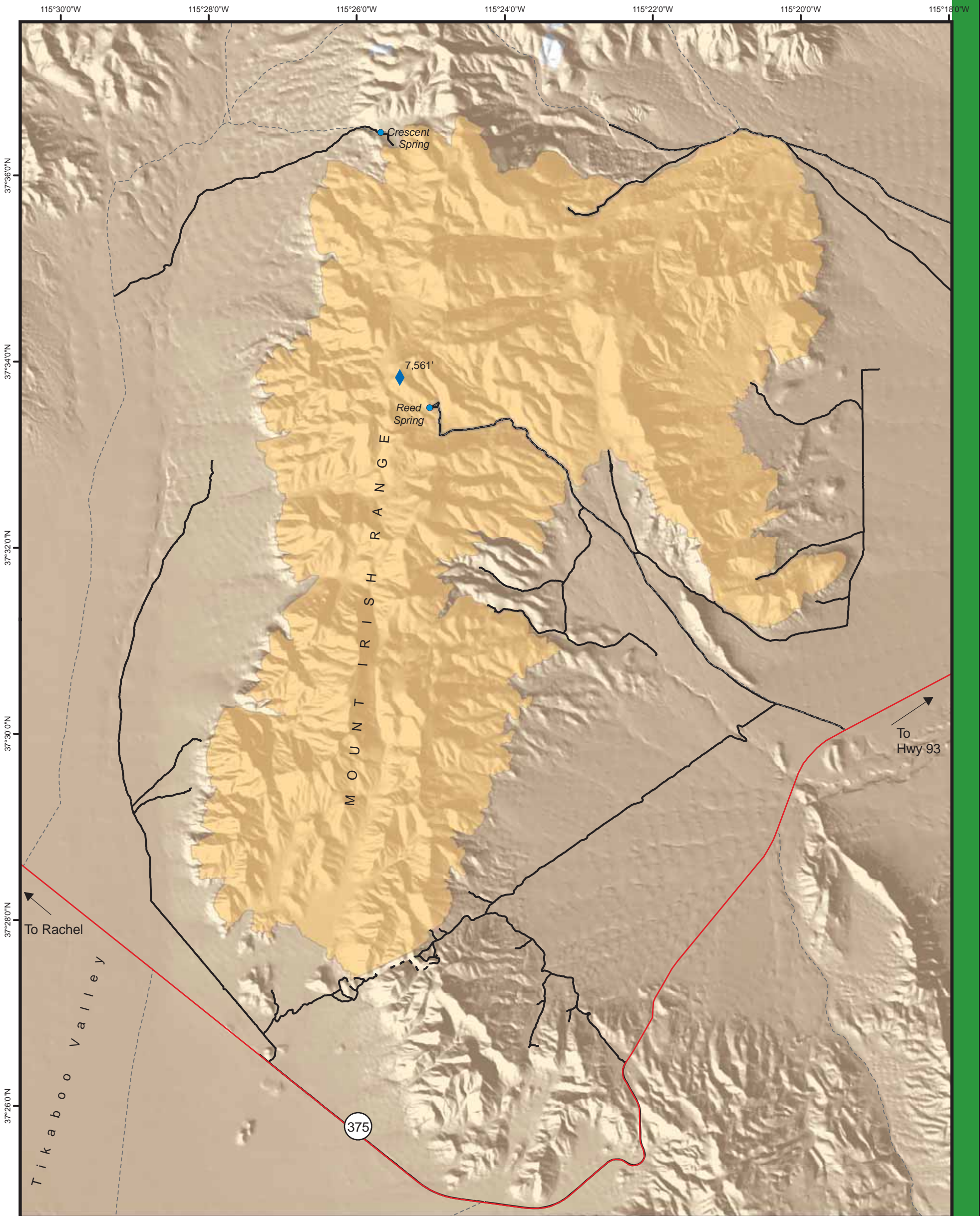
### Maps

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Crescent Spring, Mount Irish SE, and Crescent Reservoir

BLM 1:100,000 Maps: Timpahute Range and Pahrangat



# Mount Irish Wilderness Area



## Legend

- City
- ◆ High Point in Wilderness
- Route: 4WD or better
- Route: ATV
- Wilderness Area
- Bureau of Land Management
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