

Ancestral Homeland

Indigenous peoples have lived here since time immemorial, including the Chilula, Hupa, and Yurok people.

Today, the BLM is honored to collaborate with Tribes in the co-stewardship of these extraordinary lands.

Multi-Use Trails

Mountain bike and equestrian use is allowed on multi-use trails and public vehicle access roads only.



Equestrian use is discouraged on expert level mountain biking trails due to safety concerns. This area is open to hunting and target shooting.

- Target shooting is allowed 150 yards away from any structures
- Do not shoot from or across any roads or trails.

Supporting Wildlife

Lacks Creek and its surrounding watershed provide an important cold water tributary to Redwood Creek, supporting habitat beyond the boundaries of the Recreation Area for threatened coho salmon, Steelhead trout, and some of the world's largest coast redwood trees.

Mature Douglas fir and tanoak forests, oak woodland, and grassland habitats of the region provide food and shelter for elk, bears, mountain lions, bobcats, deer, Pacific fishers, and other wildlife. Restoration efforts are underway to rehabilitate and protect these vital habitats.

Getting There

From Arcata, drive east on Highway 299 for 18 miles. Turn left at the Redwood Valley turn off (Bair Road). Travel 4 miles, then turn right at the sign that reads "Hoopa - 22 miles (still Bair Road)". Drive another 5.9 miles up a winding gravel road, then turn left at the Lacks Creek Recreation Management Area entrance.



Download a georeferenced map before you go.

For more information call, check the website, or visit the Arcata Field Office:

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Recreation Area

Exploring the Area

This recreational treasure, nestled in the coastal range of Northern California, offers a wide array of outdoor opportunities. Ride your horse, hike, or bike along multi-use trails, or find a secluded primitive campsite.

As you enjoy the area, please remember the following rules and regulations:

- Overnight camping is limited to 14 days per calendar year.
- Pay attention to fire restrictions during wildfire season.
- Permits are required for fires outside of existing campsites.
- Motorized vehicles are allowed on designated roads including Pine Ridge Road (and spurs), Mid-slope 4WD Road, and Lacks Creek Road.
- Firewood cutting and commercial mushroom collection are allowed by permit only.

Be a Good Neighbor

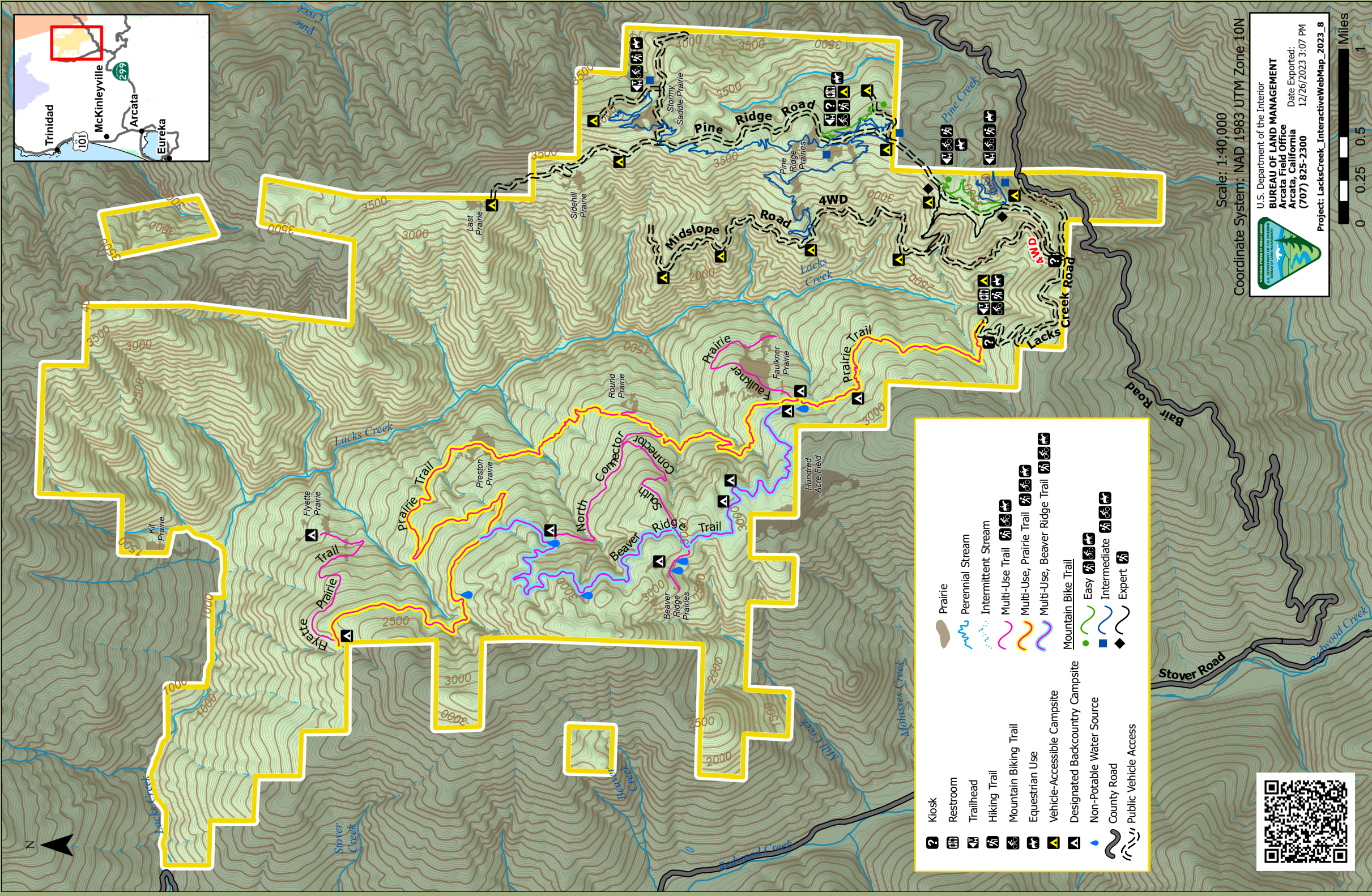
The public land in Lacks Creek Recreation Area is completely surrounded by Tribal and private lands. The eastern boundary is shared with the Hoopa Valley Tribe. Please respect these boundaries as you explore.

Plan Ahead

All water sources are non-potable and require filtering before drinking. Plan your ride or hike carefully to take limited water sources into account. There is little to no cell phone coverage in the area. Use the QR code on the back of this brochure to download a map before you go.

Map & Guide

Lacks Creek Management Area



Scale: 1:40,000

Coordinate System: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 10N

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