



Goshute Canyon Wilderness

Bureau of Land Management

Ely District Office
(775) 289-1800
702 N. Industrial Way
Ely, NV 89301

www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/ely_field_office.html

Caliente Field Office
(775) 726-8100
1400 S. Front St.
Caliente, NV 89008

Size: 42,618 acres

Elevation: 6,000 – 10,410 feet

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

Directions

The Goshute Canyon Wilderness is located in the Cherry Creek Mountains in East-central Nevada within White Pine and Elko Counties approximately 50 miles north of Ely, Nevada. Access to the Goshute Canyon Wilderness from Ely is via U.S. Highway 93 northbound approximately 50 miles; turn west onto State Route 489 towards the town of Cherry Creek. Turn north onto County Road 25, this dirt road runs east of the eastern boundary of Goshute Canyon.



Area Description

The Goshute Canyon Wilderness lies in the Cherry Creek Range. The 11-mile long wilderness is a rugged, uplifted range, with massive white limestone cliffs jutting from its slopes. The lower elevations are thickly forested by pinyon pine and juniper, while scattered bristlecone and limber pine occur at the higher elevations. Aspens and cottonwoods in the moist drainages provide a cool retreat. Large high elevation basins rimmed by peaks contain pockets of aspen and white fir and are filled with wild flowers in the spring and summer. Snowmelt and numerous springs provide riparian settings and water sources for a great number of wildlife species including Bonneville cutthroat trout in Goshute Creek, mule deer, mountain lions, bobcats, and various birds of prey.

Recreational Opportunities

There are outstanding opportunities for primitive forms of recreation in the Goshute Canyon Wilderness. Goshute Cave is an extensive limestone solution cave that offers excellent opportunities for caving and geological study. The cave is rich in formations and relatively well preserved although nearly 100 years of visitation has led to some deterioration.

Other recreational activities include camping, hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, and hunting. If horseback riding in the area you may need to carry feed (Certified Weed Free). Hunting and non-commercial trapping are allowed under state and local laws within the wilderness. Remember camping is limited to 14 days and campsites are primitive. Remember that cutting or removing vegetation is not permitted. Gathering wood for campfires, when permitted, is limited to dead and down material. 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.

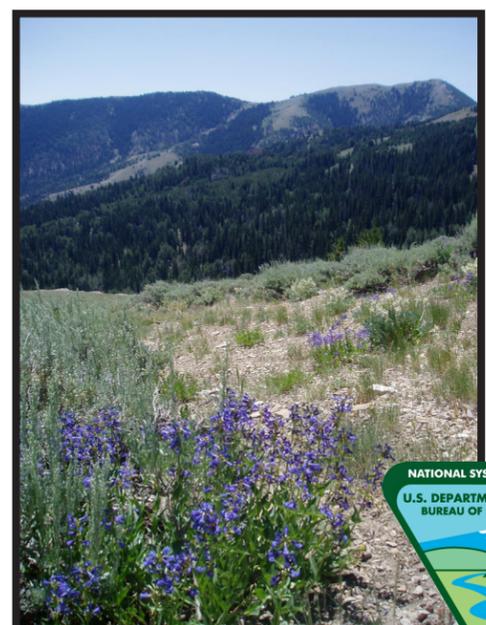
Caves are protected under the Federal Cave Resources Protection Act of 1988. If caving, you are responsible for having the appropriate equipment and necessary technical skills. Do not alter cave formations. Any equipment left for the purpose of recreational caving and climbing (i.e. ropes, ladders, and temporary devices) would be considered abandoned property and would be removed. Do not take firewood into caves; campfires are prohibited in caves. Ensure that the BLM's National White-Nose Syndrome Containment and Decontamination Procedures are followed.

Solitude is easy to find in this wilderness, in large part due to its remoteness and steep terrain, it does not receive much visitation. Additionally, you may find solitude in one of the drainages, just over another rock ledge or tucked into one of the forested slopes.

Mechanized and motorized vehicles are NOT PERMITTED in wilderness.

Additional Information

- Signs indicating "Wilderness" and "Closed Road" 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.
- Retrieving game or checking traps may only occur by foot or horseback within wilderness.
- Contact the Ely District BLM Office for current road conditions, and hazards.

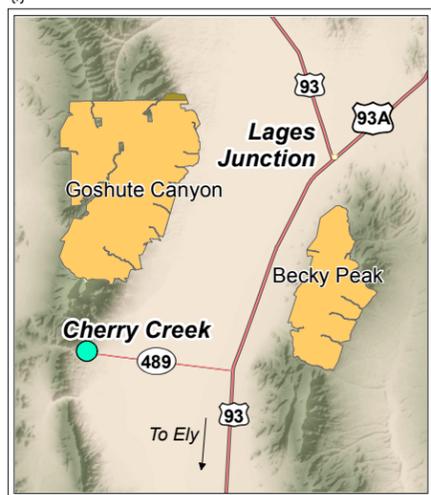
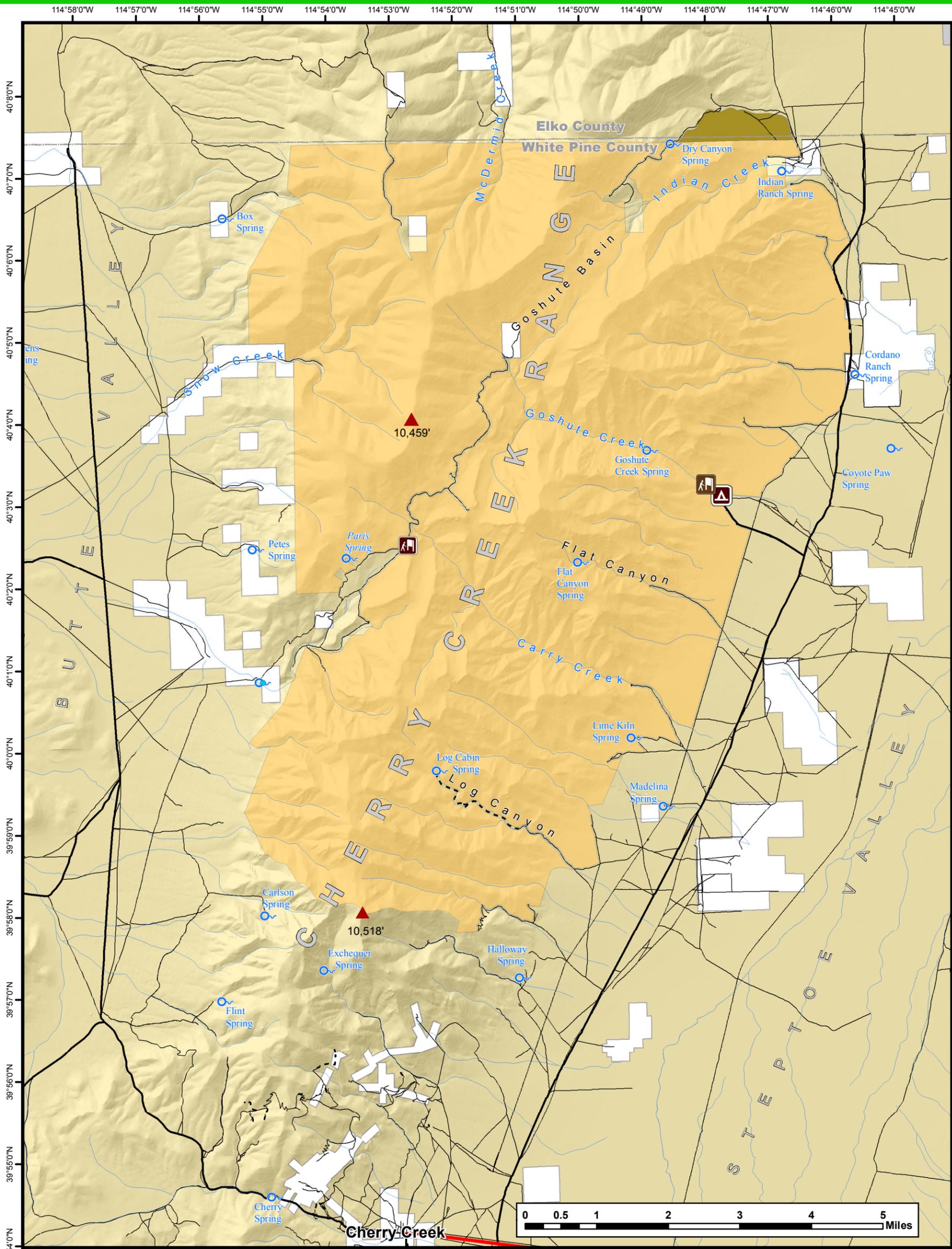


Maps

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Steptoe, McDermid Ranch, Paris Creek, Goshute Creek, Exchequer Station, and Cherry Creek Station

BLM 1:100,000 Maps: Kern Mountains and Currie

Goshute Canyon Wilderness



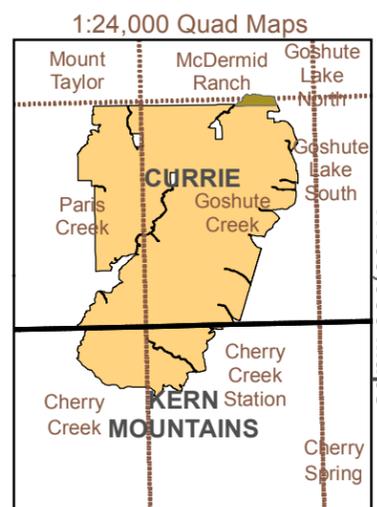
Legend

- City
- ▲ Highest Peak in Wilderness
- Kiosk
- Campground
- Main Route
- Route: 4WD or better
- Route: ATV
- BLM Wilderness
- BLM Wilderness Study Area
- Land Managed by BLM
- Private Land



No warranty is made by the Bureau of Land Management as to the accuracy, reliability, or completeness of these data for individual use or aggregate use with other data. Original data were compiled from various sources. This information may not meet National Map Accuracy Standards. This product was developed through digital means and may be updated without notification.

Map Produced by: EYDO Wilderness Staff
Date: 3/23/2015



1:100,000 Maps