

NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM  
ANACONDA-PINTLAR WILDERNESS

I hereby certify that the legal description and map herewith represent the location of the boundary of the Anaconda-Pintlar Wilderness on the Beaverhead, Bitterroot and Deerlodge National Forests as it existed as of the date of the Wilderness Act.

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The Exterior Boundary of Anaconda-Pintlar Wilderness, Beaverhead, Bitterroot and Deerlodge National Forests, Northern Region, as reported to Congress pursuant to Section 3(a)(1) of the Wilderness Act, Public Law 88-577.

### Description

Beginning at the northeast corner of Section 33, T. 4 N., R. 13 W., Montana Principal Meridian, thence south 1.747 miles to a 1/16 corner, east .50 mile to a 1/16 corner, south .25 mile to the south 1/4 corner Section 3, T. 3 N., R. 13 W., thence east .50 mile to the southeast corner of this section and thence south .50 mile to the west 1/4 corner of Section 11, T. 3 N., R. 13 W. Thence east .25 mile to a 1/16 corner, south .50 mile to a 1/16 corner and east .25 mile to the south 1/4 corner of Section 11, T. 3 N., R. 13 W.

Thence south .25 mile to a 1/16 corner, east .25 mile to a 1/16 corner, south .75 mile to a 1/16 corner, and west .75 mile to the southwest corner of Section 14, T. 3 N., R. 13 W. Thence west along the south lines of Sections 15 and 16, T. 3 N., R. 13 W., to the ridge between Chub Creek and East Fork LaMarche Creek. Thence southeasterly along this ridge to its junction with a spur ridge, near the south 1/4 corner of Section 21, T. 3 N., R. 13 W., and then southwesterly down this spur ridge to cross East Fork LaMarche Creek at its upper fork and continue southwesterly to the point on the nearest ridge where that ridge intersects the west side of Section 28, T. 3 N., R. 13 W. Thence south along this section line to the southwest corner of this section and continuing south to the southwest corner of Section 33, T. 3 N., R. 13 W. Thence west along the south line of Section 32, T. 3 N., R. 13 W. to the southwest corner of this section and thence south along the east line of Section 6, T. 2 N., R. 13 W., to the southeast corner of that section. Thence west approximately 1/2 mile along the south line of this section to the intersection of that line with a spur ridge near the south 1/4 corner of this section.

Thence northwesterly up that ridge to its junction with the main ridge between Fishtrap and LaMarche Creeks. Thence in a southerly direction down a spur ridge crossing East Fork Fishtrap Creek near the southeast corner of unsurveyed Section 2, T. 2 N., R. 14 W. Thence westerly along a ridge to its junction with the main ridge between East Fork Fishtrap Creek and Swamp Creek. Thence westerly along this ridge to a point near the north 1/4 corner of unsurveyed Section 10, T. 2 N., R. 14 W., where boundary turns southerly along a ridge bisecting this section, then turning southwesterly along minor ridges crossing Swamp Creek and Middle Fork Fishtrap Creek. Thence southwesterly up a minor ridge and then turning southerly along a spur ridge to bisect the southwest quarter of unsurveyed Section 16, T. 2 N., R. 14 W., and thence crossing the South Fork of the Middle Fork Fishtrap Creek at its upper fork.

Thence south-southwesterly through the northwest quarter of unsurveyed Section 21, T. 2 N., R. 14 W., crossing a tributary of West Fork Fishtrap Creek at a fork in that stream and then turning generally westerly along the top of a rocky cliff, crossing West Fork Fishtrap Creek and proceeding around the head of the East Fork Mudd Creek. Thence southeasterly along

the ridge between East and West Forks of Mudd Creek to a point near the South 1/4 corner of unsurveyed Section 25, T. 2 N., R. 15 W., where boundary turns generally southwesterly, crossing West Fork Mudd Creek. Thence up a minor ridge and then southeasterly along a minor ridge to a point on that ridge near the southeast corner of unsurveyed Section 35, T. 2 N., R. 15 W. Thence southwesterly along minor ridges crossing Pintlar Creek at Pintlar Falls. Thence southwesterly to the top of the ridge between Pintlar Creek and Roberts Creek, and then northwesterly up this ridge to the head of Roberts Creek where it turns southwesterly along the main ridge at the head of the McCormick Creek drainage, and then crossing Howell Creek near the southeast corner of Section 1, T. 1 N., R. 16 W. Thence generally southerly along a ridge at the head of the East Fork of Thompson Creek to cross Thompson Creek and proceed westerly up the ridge between Thompson Creek and Clam Creek around the head of the latter and then around the head of the East Fork of Plimpton Creek where boundary turns southwesterly along this same ridge to a point near the south quarter corner of Section 21, T. 1 N., R. 16 W. Thence generally northwesterly on minor ridges crossing the Plimpton Creek drainage and proceeding up the ridge between Plimpton Creek and Mussigbrod Creek to a point on the ridge near the west quarter corner of Section 17, T. 1 N., R. 16 W. Thence southwesterly along a ridge crossing the East Fork of Mussigbrod Creek at its upper forks and thence southwesterly up a spur ridge to the top of the ridge between this fork and the main fork of Mussigbrod Creek. Thence generally westerly along this ridge, crossing the next major fork of Mussigbrod Creek at its upper forks and continuing along a ridge to the top of the Continental Divide. Thence southwesterly along this Divide to its junction with the Meadow Creek-Dense Creek ridge and then northwesterly along this ridge and northeasterly down the Bugle Creek-Dense Creek ridge crossing Swift Creek just below the mouth of Dense Creek, and proceeding generally northeast on minor ridges over McCart Mountain and down the ridge between Vapor Creek and Orphan Creek to the East Fork Bitterroot River. Thence across the river and up the ridge west of Moss Creek to the main ridge between the East Fork Bitterroot River and the Moose Creek drainage and up this ridge and around the head of Clifford Creek on the Granite County-Ravalli County line to a point on this ridge in the northeast quarter of Section 32, T. 3 N., R. 16 W.

Thence northeasterly down a minor ridge crossing Copper Creek at the point where that creek passes through the south line of Section 21, T. 3 N., R. 16 W., and proceeding northeasterly up a minor ridge to the main ridge between Copper Creek and Meyers Creek. Thence southerly and then northeasterly around the head of Meyers Creek to a point on the ridge just south of Senate Mountain, and then southeasterly along the ridge between Copper Creek and the Middle Fork Rock Creek to its junction with the ridge between Ivanhoe Lake drainage and the one immediately north. Thence northeasterly along this ridge to the point where this ridge intersects the southwest side of MS 10537 (Senate Lode). Thence following the property lines of this patent southeasterly, then northeasterly, and then northwesterly to the point where the property line intersects the south line of Section 23, T. 3 N., R. 16 W. Thence east along this line to the point of intersection with the west side of MS 10536 (Mayflower Lode), then following the property line of this patent southerly, then easterly, and then northerly to the intersection of the east side of this property with the south line of Section 24, T. 3 N., R. 16 W., and then east along this line to the top of the ridge between Middle Fork Rock Creek and Falls

Creek. Thence northerly down this ridge to near the south line of unsurveyed Section 18, T. 3 N., R. 15 W., where boundary turns easterly crossing Falls Creek, and proceeding northeasterly up a minor ridge to the top of the ridge between Falls Creek and the unnamed drainage to the north. Thence northwesterly down this ridge to cross the unnamed drainage at its lower forks, thence northeasterly and then northwesterly on a minor ridge to Carp Creek, crossing Carp Creek at the mouth of its first major tributary in unsurveyed Section 6, T. 3 N., R. 15 W. Thence generally east-southeasterly along the north bank of Carp Creek to a point in the east half of unsurveyed Section 11, T. 3 N., R. 15 W., thence northerly up a small fork of Carp Creek passing near the center of unsurveyed Section 12, T. 3 N., R. 15 W. Thence generally northeasterly up the Meadow Creek-East Fork Rock Creek divide to a point on this divide just north of the south quarter corner of unsurveyed Section 19, T. 4 N., R. 14 W.

Thence northeasterly down a minor ridge crossing East Fork Rock Creek at the mouth of Page Creek, and thence generally northeasterly and then generally southeasterly up the main ridge just north of Page Creek to a point on the ridge between Page Creek and Dry Creek near the south 1/4 corner of unsurveyed Section 14, T. 4 N., R. 14 W. Thence northeasterly up a minor ridge passing near the west quarter corner of unsurveyed Section 13, T. 4 N., R. 14 W., and continuing northeasterly along this ridge to a point on that ridge directly west of a conspicuous bend in Dry Creek. From that point boundary proceeds easterly crossing Dry Creek at this bend and thence east to the top of the ridge between Dry Creek and Storm Lake Creek. Thence southerly along this ridge to the point where it intersects the north line of Section 31, T. 4 N., R. 13 W., near Mt. Tiny. Thence east along the north lines of Sections 31, 32, and 33, T. 4 N., R. 13 W., to the northeast corner of Section 33, T. 4 N., R. 13 W., the point of beginning, containing 159,086 acres more or less.

The above description is based on the map which is attached to and made a part of this description.