

NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

WASHAKIE WILDERNESS

SHOSHONE NATIONAL FOREST, WYOMING

I hereby certify that the legal description and map herewith represents the location of the boundary of the Washakie Wilderness on the Shoshone National Forest as entered into the National Wilderness Preservation System by the Wilderness Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-577), and as amended by the Washakie Wilderness Act of 1972 (Public Law 92-476), and as amended by the Wyoming Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-550).

Signed May 7, 1987  
(date)

  
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WASHAKIE WILDERNESS

Shoshone National Forest, Wyoming

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Beginning at the summit of Slide Mountain (elevation 9,630 feet), latitude 44°11'46", longitude 109°30'16" in the Shoshone National Forest, Park County, Wyoming;

thence easterly on the hydrographic divide between the South Fork Shoshone River and Little Boulder Creek, 3.2 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 12,080 feet at the junction with the hydrographic divide between Piney Creek and said river;

thence easterly on the latter divide 2.3 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 12,240 feet, upon which is situated triangulation station "Carter" (elevation 12,319 feet);

thence southeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Piney Creek and Pickett Creek, 4.7 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,240 feet;

thence southerly on the hydrographic divide between Piney Creek and Greybull River, downstream from the confluence with said creek, 1.0 mile to the east line of Section 4, Township 48 North, Range 104 West, 6th Principal Meridian;

thence southerly on said section line 0.1 mile to the southeast corner of said section, on the Shoshone National Forest boundary;

thence southerly on the east line of Section 9 of said township 0.2 mile to the north line of Tract 57 of said township;

thence westerly less than 0.1 mile to the northwest corner of said tract;

thence southerly on the west line of Tracts 57, 58, 59, 60, and 61, of said township, 1.7 miles to a point 800 feet north of the southwest corner of Tract 61, Township 48 North, Range 104 West;

thence S 60° W, leaving said Forest boundary, 1.7 miles to the north-south centerline of Section 20, of said township;

thence southerly on the north-south centerline of Sections 20, 29, and 32, 1.7 miles to the hydrographic divide between Greybull River and Jack Creek;

thence southerly on said divide, 10.0 miles to Francs Peak (elevation 13,153 feet);

thence southerly on the hydrographic divide between Greybull River and Francs Fork, Meadow Creek, and Wood River, 10.3 miles to a summit with an elevation of 12,284 feet on the boundary between Park and Fremont Counties;

thence southerly on the hydrographic divide between Wood River and Caldwell Creek, Bear Creek and East Fork Wind River, 4.7 miles to a summit with an elevation of 11,883 feet;

thence easterly on the hydrographic divide between Wood River and Middle Fork Wood River, entering Park County, 2.6 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 11,680 feet;

thence southerly on the hydrographic divide between two unnamed, intermittent, southerly-flowing tributaries joining Middle Fork Wood River at elevations of 9,080 feet and 9,240 feet, 0.5 mile to an elevation of 10,400 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to the northwest corner of Section 31, Township 45 North, Range 103 West;

thence southerly on the west line of said section less than 0.1 mile to the thread of Middle Fork Wood River;

thence northeasterly on the thread of said river 0.6 mile to the confluence at 9,005 feet in elevation with an unnamed, intermittent, northerly-flowing tributary;

thence southeasterly on the hydrographic divide between said river and said tributary 1.4 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 11,040 feet;

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Middle Fork Wood River and South Fork Wood River, 7.5 miles to the hydrographic divide between South Fork Wood River and an unnamed, intermittent, easterly-flowing tributary joining said river at 7,520 feet in elevation;

thence easterly on the latter divide 1.3 miles to said confluence;

thence S 30° 30' E, 0.3 mile to the hydrographic divide between South Fork Wood River and Chimney Creek downstream from their confluence;

thence easterly on said divide and the hydrographic divide between Brown Creek and Chimney Creek, 2.8 miles to the intersection with the hydrographic divide between Chimney Creek and Middle Gooseberry Creek, less than 0.1 mile southwest of a summit with an elevation of 9,931 feet, entering Hot Springs County;

thence southerly on the latter divide and the hydrographic divide between Chimney Creek and Cottonwood Creek, 4.2 miles to the intersection with the hydrographic divide between South Fork Wood River and Owl Creek, 0.1 mile northwest of Cottonwood Peak;

thence southwesterly on the latter divide 6.3 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 11,800 feet, 0.1 mile west of a summit with an elevation of 11,802 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the northwest corner of Section 19, Township 44 North, Range 102 West, on the Shoshone National Forest boundary;

thence southerly on the line between Ranges 103 and 102 West 3.0 miles to the line between Townships 44 and 43 North;

thence westerly on said township line 2.8 miles to the thread of South Fork Owl Creek, the boundary between Hot Springs and Fremont Counties and the boundary between Shoshone National Forest and the Wind River Indian Reservation;

thence northwesterly on said creek boundary 2.8 miles to the confluence at an elevation of 10,380 feet of an unnamed, intermittent, easterly-flowing tributary;

thence southwesterly on said tributary entering Fremont County and continuing on said Reservation/National Forest boundary, 5.7 miles to the thread of an unnamed, intermittent, westerly-flowing tributary joining Lake Creek at 8,990 feet in elevation;

thence westerly on the thread of said tributary 0.8 mile to said confluence;

thence westerly on the thread of said creek 1.7 miles to the confluence with East Fork Wind River;

thence northerly on the thread of said river 0.3 mile to the confluence with Dugout Creek;

thence northwesterly on the thread of said creek 1.7 miles to an elevation of 9,600 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,480 feet;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Lean-To Creek and Tepee Creek, 0.8 mile to the summit of Castle Rock (elevation 11,138 feet);

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between two unnamed, northwesterly-flowing tributaries joining Bear Creek at elevations of 8,565 feet and 8,420 feet, 0.5 mile to the lowest point in a saddle between a summit with a contour elevation of 10,080 feet and Castle Rock;

thence northwesterly on the thread of the drainage channel that heads in said saddle, joining said higher tributary, 1.9 miles to said higher confluence;

thence N 56° W, 0.4 mile to an unnamed, intermittent, westerly-flowing tributary entering Bear Basin at latitude 43°44'48", longitude 109°26'03";

thence southerly on the contour having the elevation of said intersection 0.4 mile to a point due east of a summit with a contour elevation of 8,960 feet;

thence N 38° 30' W, 0.5 mile to an unnamed, intermittent, southerly-flowing tributary entering Bear Basin at latitude 43°44'22", longitude 109°26'28";

thence southerly on the thread of said tributary 0.9 mile to a point that bears S 79° W from the northeast corner of Section 34, Township 44 North, Range 105 West;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to the confluence at an elevation of 8,490 feet of two branches of an unnamed, intermittent, southerly-flowing tributary joining Bear Creek at 8,395 feet in elevation;

thence southerly on the thread of said tributary 0.2 mile to said confluence;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said creek 2.3 miles to a point that bears S 70° 30' E from a summit with a contour elevation of 9,000 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to said summit;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Cave Creek and an unnamed, southerly-flowing tributary joining Bear Creek at 8,100 feet in elevation, 1.8 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,120 feet;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Cave Creek and an unnamed, intermittent, northwesterly-flowing tributary, which, together with an unnamed, perennial, northwesterly-flowing tributary and an unnamed, westerly-flowing tributary, joins Caldwell Creek at 8,000 feet in elevation, 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,520 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.8 mile to a point on said intermittent tributary that bears S 11° 30' W from a summit with an elevation of 9,073 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to said summit;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between said intermittent tributary and said perennial tributary, 1.3 miles to their confluence;

thence due north less than 0.1 mile to the thread of Caldwell Creek;

thence northeasterly on the thread of said creek 1.4 miles to a point that bears S 6° 30' from a summit with a contour elevation of 8,520 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.2 mile to said summit;

thence northerly on the hydrographic divide separating drainage from the west into Caldwell Creek upstream and downstream of an elevation of 8,160 feet and the hydrographic divide between Caldwell Creek and Wiggins Fork, 1.3 miles to the northernmost of two summits having contour elevations of 9,640 feet;

thence westerly in a straight line 0.2 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,360 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 1.3 miles to the intersection of the north branch of an unnamed, westerly-flowing tributary which forks at 8,350 feet in elevation and joins Wiggins Fork at 8,045 feet in elevation and a line that bears S 38° W from a summit with an elevation of 9,937 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to said summit;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide separating drainage from the east into Wiggins Fork and drainage from the south into an unnamed, westerly-flowing tributary joining said stream at an elevation of 8,185 feet, 1.6 miles to said confluence;

thence southwesterly on the thread of the westernmost channel of Wiggins Fork 1.0 mile to the intersection of a line that bears S 58° E from a summit with a contour elevation of 8,320 feet;

thence northwesterly on a straight line through said summit 0.8 mile to an unnamed, southerly-flowing tributary that joins Frontier Creek at 8,135 feet in elevation;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said tributary 0.3 mile to said confluence;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.9 mile to a point with UTM coordinates: X - 614,364 meters, Y - 4,851,457 meters;

thence S 14° 30' E, 0.5 mile to the intersection with an unnamed, intermittent, easterly-flowing tributary that joins Wiggins Fork at the confluence of that stream and Frontier Creek;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to the confluence at 8,800 feet in elevation of an unnamed, northeasterly-flowing drainage channel and an unnamed, easterly-flowing tributary whose 2 distributaries join Wiggins Fork at 7,990 feet and 7,940 feet in elevation;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said drainage channel 0.5 mile to 9,400 feet in elevation;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a point with UTM coordinates: X - 614,375 meters, Y - 4,848,388 meters;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.6 mile to the confluence at 8,990 feet in elevation of an unnamed, northeasterly-flowing drainage channel with an unnamed, easterly-flowing tributary that joins Wiggins Fork at 7,855 feet in elevation;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said drainage channel 0.4 mile to 9,600 feet in elevation;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to the intersection of an unnamed, intermittent, southerly-flowing tributary that joins Cartridge Creek at 8,440 feet in elevation and a line between the northwest corner of Section 28, Township 44 North, Range 106 West and a summit with an elevation of 9,533 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to said section corner;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 1.3 miles to the confluence at 9,150 feet in elevation of Cartridge Creek and an unnamed, intermittent, southeasterly-flowing tributary;

thence westerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 10,075 feet;

thence due south 0.3 mile to an unnamed, easterly-flowing tributary that joins Cartridge Creek at 9,010 feet in elevation;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a point with UTM coordinates: X - 611,657 meters, Y - 4,845,497 meters;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 10,236 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,000 feet;

thence N 59° W, 1.2 miles to an unnamed, southwesterly-flowing tributary joining Horse Creek at 8,285 feet in elevation;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said tributary 0.2 mile to said confluence;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,600 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 9,287 feet;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Parque Creek and Horse Creek and the southern branch of said divide that passes south of a depression with a contour elevation of 9,920 feet, 1.8 miles to the lowest point in a saddle 0.2 mile west of a summit with an elevation of 10,173 feet;

thence southerly on the thread of the drainage channel that heads at said saddle 0.4 mile to the intersection with a line that bears S 32° 45' W from a summit with a contour elevation of 9,960 feet, 0.3 mile south of said saddle;

thence southwesterly on said line 0.4 mile to the thread of Parque Creek;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,840 feet;

thence due south 0.2 mile to an unnamed, easterly-flowing tributary that joins Parque Creek at 9,150 feet in elevation;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the northern-most of 2 summits with a contour elevation of 9,960 feet;

thence S 7° 30' E, 1.5 miles to the hydrographic divide between Burroughs Creek and Horse Creek;

thence S 7° 30' E, 1,330 feet to a point;

thence S 49° W, 0.4 mile to Burroughs Creek;

thence northwesterly on the thread of said creek 0.5 mile to the confluence at an elevation of 9,355 feet of an unnamed, easterly-flowing tributary;

thence southwesterly on a straight line 0.3 mile to an elevation of 9,680 feet on top of a ridge that descends northeasterly from a summit with an elevation of 11,131 feet;

thence southwesterly on the top of said ridge 0.5 mile to said summit;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Burroughs Creek and Fivemile Creek 0.1 mile to the northwesternmost of two summits having a contour elevation of 11,080 feet;

thence westerly in a straight line 0.2 mile to an elevation of 10,400 feet on an unnamed, westerly-flowing drainage channel that heads at the saddle between said summit and Ramshorn Peak;

thence northerly on the 10,400 foot contour 0.6 mile to the hydrographic divide between East Fork Sixmile Creek and an unnamed, westerly-flowing tributary joining said creek at 8,970 feet in elevation;

thence westerly on said divide 1.3 miles to said confluence;

thence N 18° 15' W, 0.9 mile to the hydrographic divide between East Fork Sixmile Creek and West Fork Sixmile Creek;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.7 mile to the confluence at 9,340 feet in elevation of West Fork Sixmile Creek and an unnamed, westerly-flowing tributary;

thence northerly on the thread of said creek 0.2 mile to the intersection with a line that bears N 66° 45' E from a summit with an elevation of 9,653 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to an elevation of 10,000 feet on the hydrographic divide between West Fork Sixmile Creek and East DuNoir Creek;

thence northeasterly on said divide 1.5 miles to a summit with an elevation of 11,496 feet;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between an unnamed, westerly-flowing tributary joining Frozen Lake Creek at an elevation of 8,750 feet and an unnamed, northwesterly-flowing drainage channel joining said tributary at an elevation of 8,850 feet, 1.2 miles to the confluence of said tributary and drainage channel;

thence northwesterly on the thread of said tributary 0.2 mile to the confluence with said creek;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said creek 0.2 mile to the intersection of a line that bears S 8° E from a summit with a contour elevation of 10,040 feet on the hydrographic divide between Frozen Lake Creek and East DuNoir Creek;

thence northerly on said line 0.4 mile to said summit;

thence northerly on said divide 1.6 miles to the hydrographic divide between South Fork Shoshone River and East DuNoir Creek and the boundary between Park and Fremont Counties;

thence northwesterly on said hydrographic divide 4.9 miles to the Continental Divide which is the boundary between Teton and Shoshone National Forests;

thence northerly on said divide 15.0 miles to a summit with an elevation of 11,050 feet;

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Yellowstone River and Shoshone River, entering Park County, 41.7 miles to Yellowstone National Park boundary monument Milepost 5.66, on the boundary between said park and Shoshone National Forest;

thence northwesterly on said divide and said boundary 8.3 miles to a summit with an elevation of 10,565 feet;

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Middle Creek and Eagle Creek, 4.0 miles to Reservation Peak (elevation 10,629 feet);

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Canfield Creek and North Fork Shoshone River, 2.6 miles to Yellowstone National Park boundary monument Milepost 21.185;

thence northeasterly on said divide, entering Shoshone National Forest, 3.4 miles to the intersection of a line that bears N 76° 30' W from a summit with an elevation of 7,723 feet, at latitude 44° 28' 42", longitude 109° 55' 41";

thence southeasterly in a straight line 3.2 miles to the intersection of the hydrographic divide separating drainages from the south into North Fork Shoshone River upstream and downstream from the confluence with Eagle Creek, and a line that bears S 55° 20' E from the confluence at an elevation of 6,510 feet of said creek and an unnamed, northerly-flowing tributary;

thence southerly on said divide 1.8 miles to the lowest point in the saddle between two summits with elevations of 9,809 feet and 9,863 feet;

thence due east 1.7 miles to the hydrographic divide between Kitty Creek and Fish Hawk Creek;

thence northeasterly on said divide 0.6 mile to a summit with an elevation of 7,705 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 4.5 miles to a summit with an elevation of 7,846 feet on the hydrographic divide between Sheep Creek and Blackwater Creek;

thence southwesterly on said divide 7.0 miles to the intersection with the hydrographic divide between Blackwater Creek and Elk Fork;

thence northeasterly on the latter divide 5.3 miles to the summit of Clayton Mountain (elevation 10,219 feet);

thence southeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Blind Creek and June Creek and the hydrographic divide between Blind Creek and Elk Fork downstream from their confluence, 3.2 miles to said confluence;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 11.5 miles to the northeast corner of Section 2, Township 51 North, Range 105 West;

thence southerly on the east line of Sections 2, 11, and 14 of said township, 3.0 miles to the southeast corner of Section 14;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 3.0 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,121 feet on the hydrographic divide between Hardpan Creek and South Fork Shoshone River;

thence southwesterly on said divide 5.6 miles to a summit with an elevation of 12,144 feet;

thence southwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Elk Fork and Bobcat Creek, 1.8 miles to a summit with an elevation of 11,949 feet;

thence southeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Bobcat Creek and Yellow Creek and the hydrographic divide separating drainage from the north into Ishawooa Creek upstream and downstream from a point just upstream from the confluence with an unnamed, southeasterly-flowing drainage channel that joins said creek at an elevation of 6,430 feet, 5.3 miles to an elevation of 7,000 feet on the latter divide;

thence S 25° 30' E, 0.2 mile to said creek;

thence S 3° 30' W, 0.4 mile to an elevation of 7,400 feet;

thence easterly on the 7400-foot contour 0.4 mile to the hydrographic divide between two unnamed, intermittent, northerly-flowing tributaries that join Ishawooa Creek at 6,395 and 6,410 feet in elevation;

thence easterly on said divide 0.3 mile to the intersection of a line between the southwest corner of Section 31, Township 50 North, Range 105 West and the northwest corner of Section 18, Township 49 North, Range 105 West;

thence southerly on said line 1.0 mile to an elevation of 7,000 feet;

thence southwesterly on the 7,000-foot contour of said elevation 1.6 miles to the southernmost of two branches that join at an elevation 6,480 feet to form an unnamed, intermittent, easterly-flowing tributary that joins South Fork Shoshone River at 6,150 feet in elevation;

thence southeasterly on the thread of said branch 0.4 mile to an elevation of 6,600 feet;

thence southwesterly on the 6,600-foot contour 6.8 miles to the north line of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 48 North, Range 106 West;

thence westerly on said line less than 0.1 mile to the intersection with the west line of said parcel;

thence southerly on said line 0.2 mile to the intersection of the north line of Section 8, Township 48 North, Range 106 West;

thence westerly on said line 1/4 mile to the west line of said section;

thence southerly on said line 0.3 mile to an elevation of 6,800 feet;

thence southerly on the 6,800-foot contour 1.4 miles to the hydrographic divide between Cabin Creek and an unnamed, intermittent southeasterly-flowing tributary joining said creek at 6,540 feet in elevation;

thence southerly on said divide 0.1 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 6,760 feet;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to the northwest corner of Lot 1, Section 19, Township 48 North, Range 106 West;

thence southerly on the west line of said lot 1/4 mile to the southwest corner of said lot;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.8 mile to a point with UTM coordinates: X - 6,090,030 meters, Y - 4,884,660 meters;

thence due east 0.2 mile to a point 200 feet due east of the centerline of Forest Trail 809;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 1.0 mile to a point 200 feet due east of Corner 2 of Homestead Entry Survey 160;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to the southwest corner of Section 9, Township 48 North, Range 106 West;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 1.2 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 7,080 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 1.6 miles to a summit with an elevation of 7,010 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.8 mile to a summit with an elevation of 6,820 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 1.2 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 6,800 feet at latitude 44°11'13", longitude 109°32'38";

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the confluence of Boulder Creek and Little Boulder Creek;

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Little Boulder Creek and Boulder Creek downstream from their confluence and the hydrographic divide between South Fork Shoshone River and Little Boulder Creek, 2.0 miles to the point of beginning.

Containing the following acreages:

Hot Springs County	26,268 acres
Park County	519,654 acres
Fremont County	158,900 acres
Total	704,822 acres

Acreage figures were computed from the latest survey plats and/or protraction diagrams.

Geodetic bearings are used in this description. Elevations refer to 1927 North American Datum. The above described area has been plotted on, and elevations determined from, the following 7-1/2' U. S. Geological Survey Maps (with indicated publication dates), which are attached hereto and made a part hereof:

Wapiti NW (enlarged 15 minute)	1957
Flag Peak	1970
Clayton Mountain	1970
Chimney Rock	1970
Eagle Creek	1970
Eagle Peak NE (enlarged 15 minute)	1959
Eagle Peak SE (enlarged 15 minute)	1959
Pinnacle Mountain	1970
Sheep Mesa	1970
Ptarmigan Mountain	1970
Wapiti SW (enlarged 15 minute)	1957
Irish Rock NE (enlarged 15 minute)	1957
Irish Rock NW (enlarged 15 minute)	1957
Valley	1970
Clouds Home Peak	1970
Thorofare Buttes	1970
Yellow Mountain	1970
Fall Creek	1970
Needle Mountain	1970
Irish Rock SW (enlarged 15 minute)	1957
Irish Rock SE (enlarged 15 minute)	1957
Noon Point	1969
Dick Creek Lakes	1969
Francs Peak	1969
Younts Peak	1970
Shoshone Pass	1956
Five Pockets	1956
Snow Lake	1956
Wiggins Peak	1969
Dunrud Peak	1969
Twin Peaks	1969

Cottonwood Peak	1969
Monument Peak	1967
East Fork Basin	1967
Castle Rock	1967
Indian Point	1956
Ramshorn Peak	1956
Esmond Park	1956