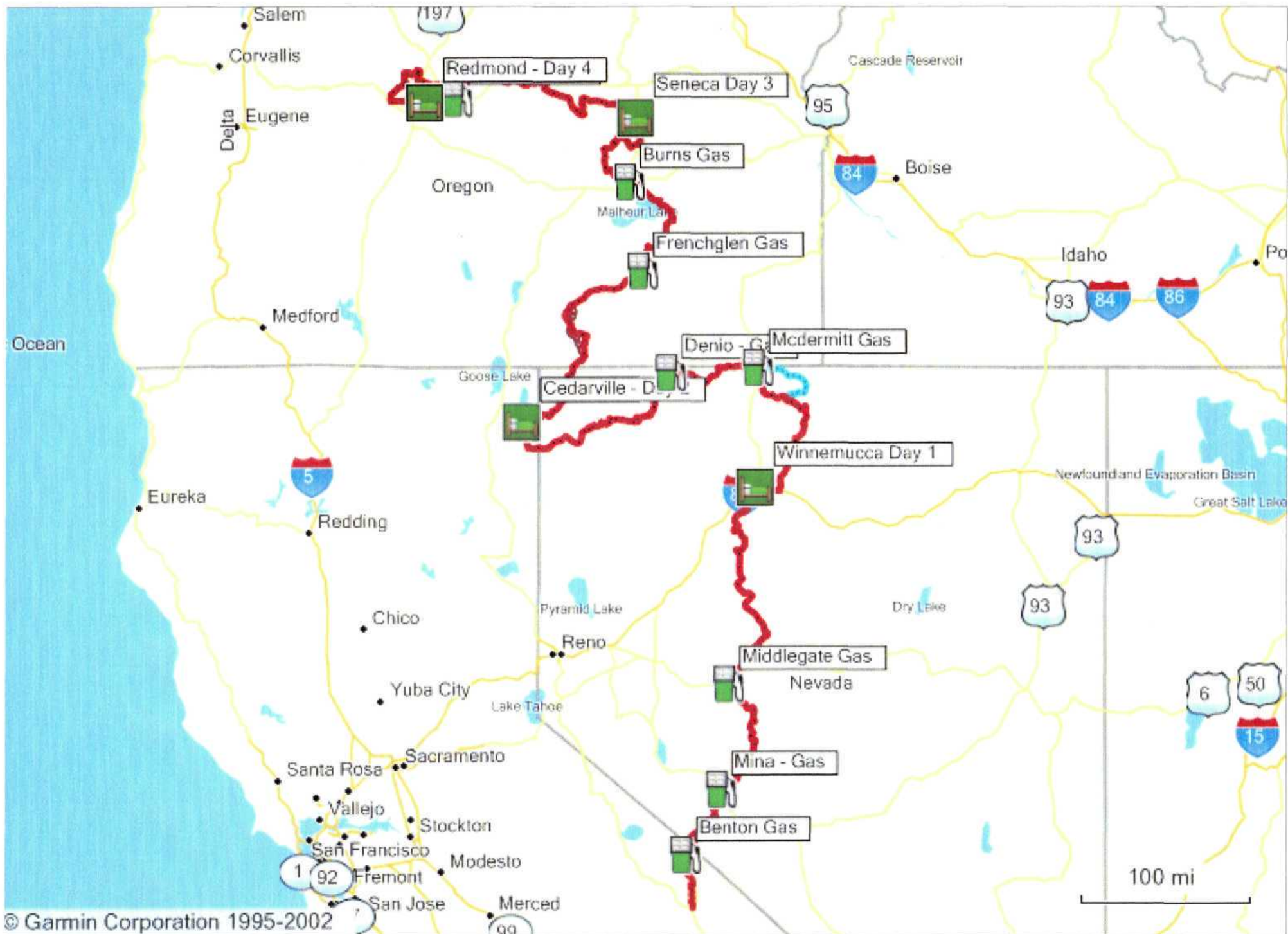


DAWN TO DUSK



**THE GREAT RIDER 2010
ADVENTURE**



The Guestimator

		Section	Cumulative	Begin	End	Avg. Speed	Track	
Day 1- Dawn to Dusk								
Bishop	5:41 Dawn	Benton	40	40	5:30 AM	6:30 AM	40	Track 1
Benton		Mina	64	104	6:30 AM	8:19 AM	35	Track 1
Mina		Middlegate	100	204	8:19 AM	11:39 AM	30	Track 2
Lunch in Middlegate	30 Minutes		0	204	11:39 AM	12:09 PM	-	
Middlegate		Winnemucca	167	371	12:09 PM	5:43 PM	30	Track 3
Day 2 The Emigrant Trails								
Winnemucca	5:28 Dawn	McDermitt	125	125	5:30 AM	9:04 AM	35	Track 4
McDermitt		Denio	67	192	9:04 AM	11:18 AM	30	Track 5
Denio	Lunch 30 minutes		0	192	11:18 AM	11:48 AM	-	
Denio		Cedarville	148	340	11:48 AM	4:44 PM	30	Track 6
Day 3 A day of Cruising								
Cedarville	5:44 Dawn	Frenchglen	155	155	6:30 AM	10:55 AM	35	Track 7
Lunch Frenchglen	30 minutes		0	155	10:55 AM	11:25 AM	-	
Frenchglen		Burns	98	253	11:25 AM	2:13 PM	35	Track 8
Burns		Seneca	89	342	2:13 PM	5:46 PM	25	Track 9
Day 4 Oregon Back Country Route								
Seneca	5:21 Dawn	Prineville	122	122	7:00 AM	11:04 AM	30	Track 10
Prineville		Redmond	130	252	11:04 AM	3:24 PM	30	Track 11
Bishop		Redmond	1305					

Day 1: Bishop to Winnemucca:

Sunrise 5:41

Sunset 7:58

Total Miles 371

Gas 1 Benton, CA 40 miles

Gas 2 Mina, NV 64 Miles

Gas 3 Middlegate, NV 100 Miles

Finish Winnemucca, NV 167 Miles

Section 1: This is an easy run out of Bishop. After an early morning start, head out to Fish Slough valley. There are two way up the valley. You can stay on the main graded road or jump off to the road on the East side for a fun little warm up. If you need an early morning bath, there's a nice warm natural pool about 5 miles in. We will turn off of Fish slough road at the Petra cliffs for a fun little canyon ride up to Hammil valley. From there it is a fast blast up the Black Rock Mine road to Benton for gas one.

Section 2: Benton to Mina:

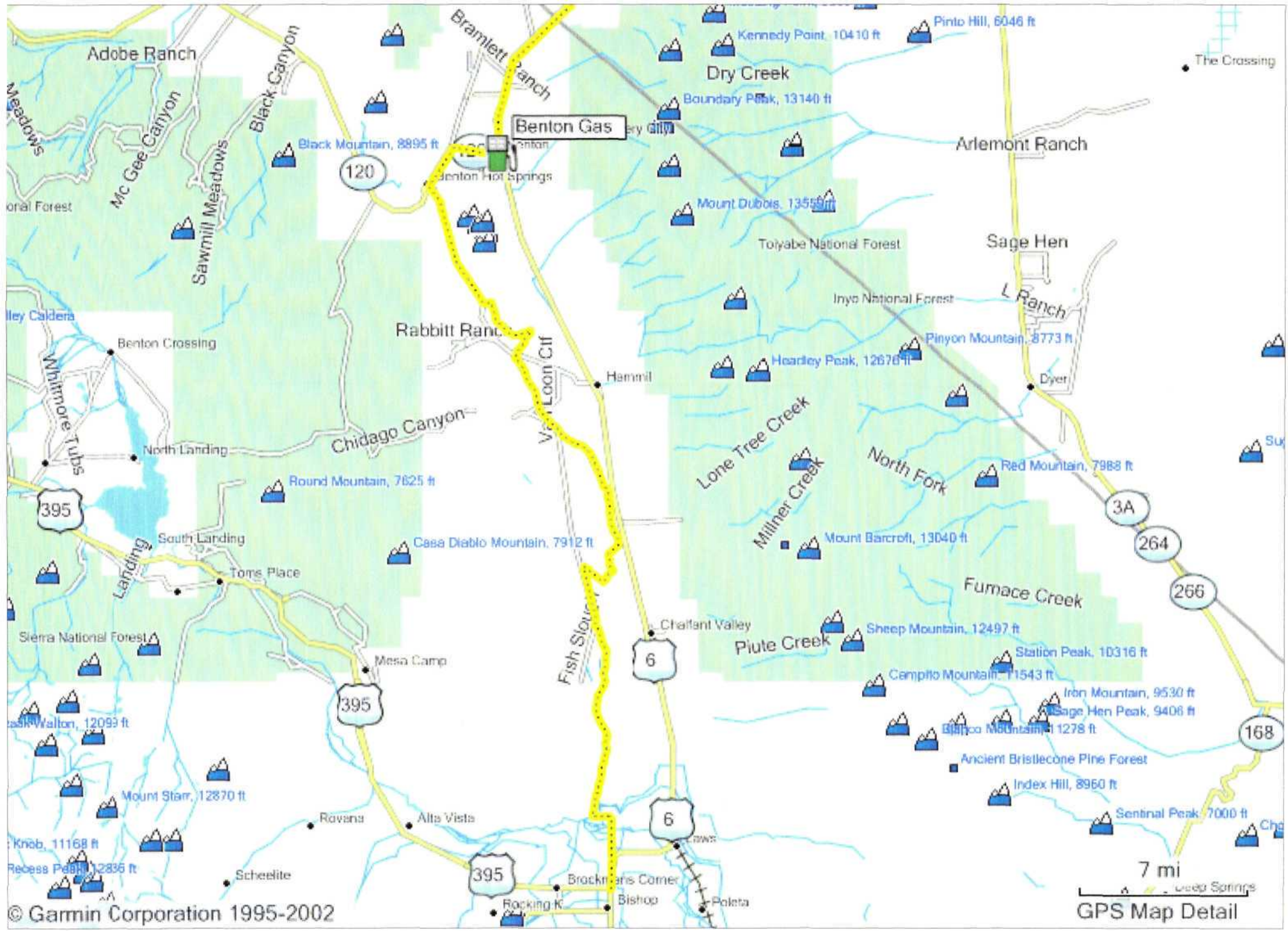
After a quick run up the highway, you jump on the roller coaster road over to Truman Meadow for a fun ride through the pinion trees and then out to Basalt where we pick up sections of the 2006 D2D route. This route will twist through some canyons on your way to the old town of Belleville. Jump on the highway for a couple of miles the cut into the desert over to Mina. Don't spend too much time in Mina; you will want to get to Middlegate for some lunch.

Section 3, Mina to Middlegate:

This a fun section with lots of twisty two tracks for 100 miles. From Mina we head east for a ways before turning into the Gabb's Valley Range where the fun begins. A quick dash over these hills put you into the Cedar Mountains where I found some fun two tracks that will keep you on your toes. After a quick dash across a small valley you are once again into some mountains with big pines, tight canyons and sand washes. You should have a blast navigating this section as some of the roads are faint and hard to see, so pay attention to the GPS, because the road is there. After this section, you will be ready for your lunch in Middlegate. But don't take too long.

Section 4, Middlegate to Winnemucca:

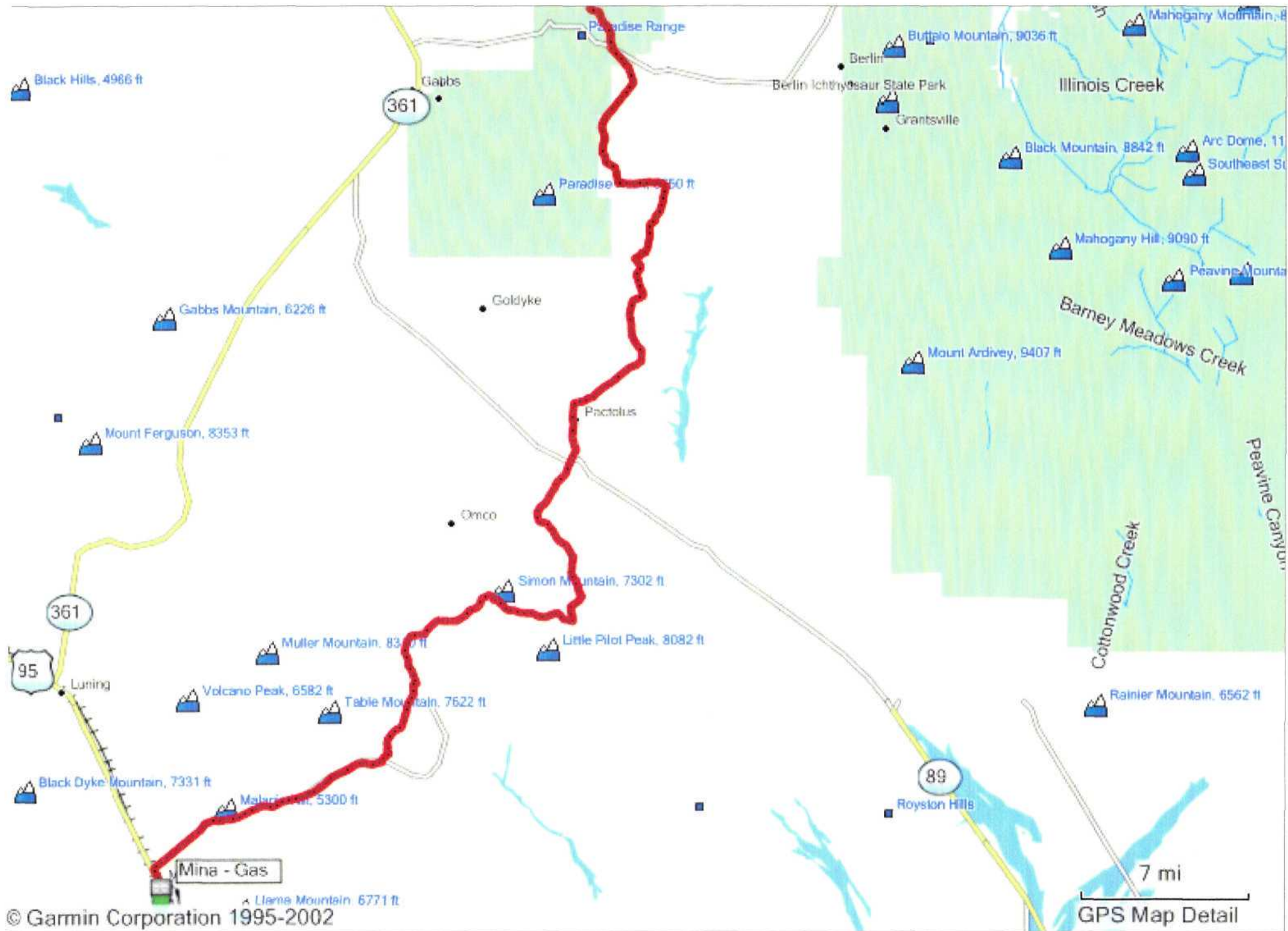
I have only ridden the first 25 miles of this section, so it is as new to me as it is to you. Just after leaving Middlegate, you will head north over the Clean Alpine Mountains and then a fast run up the Edwards Creek Valley where you will once again go over the Clean Alpine Range on the North end and then into the Dixie Valley. After Crossing the Dixie Valley the route takes us over the Stillwater Range and into Fence maker canyon. If there is any difficulty here, you can continue north around the Stillwater's to McKinney Pass. Once over the Stillwater's we go up the Buena Vista Valley and work our way through the East Range and into Winnemucca. Know where you are and if you need to, make you way to Interstate 80 and head up to Winnemucca.

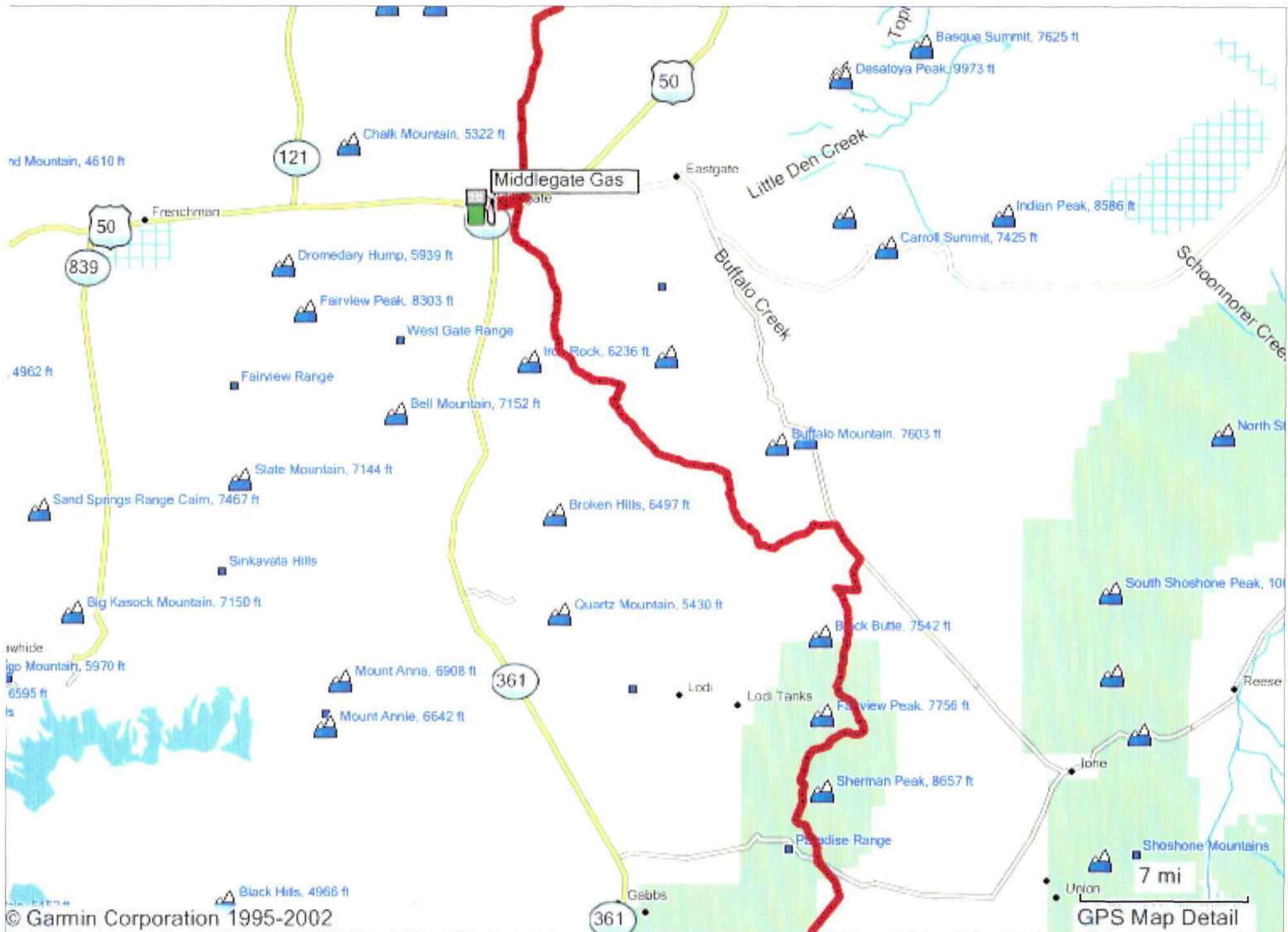


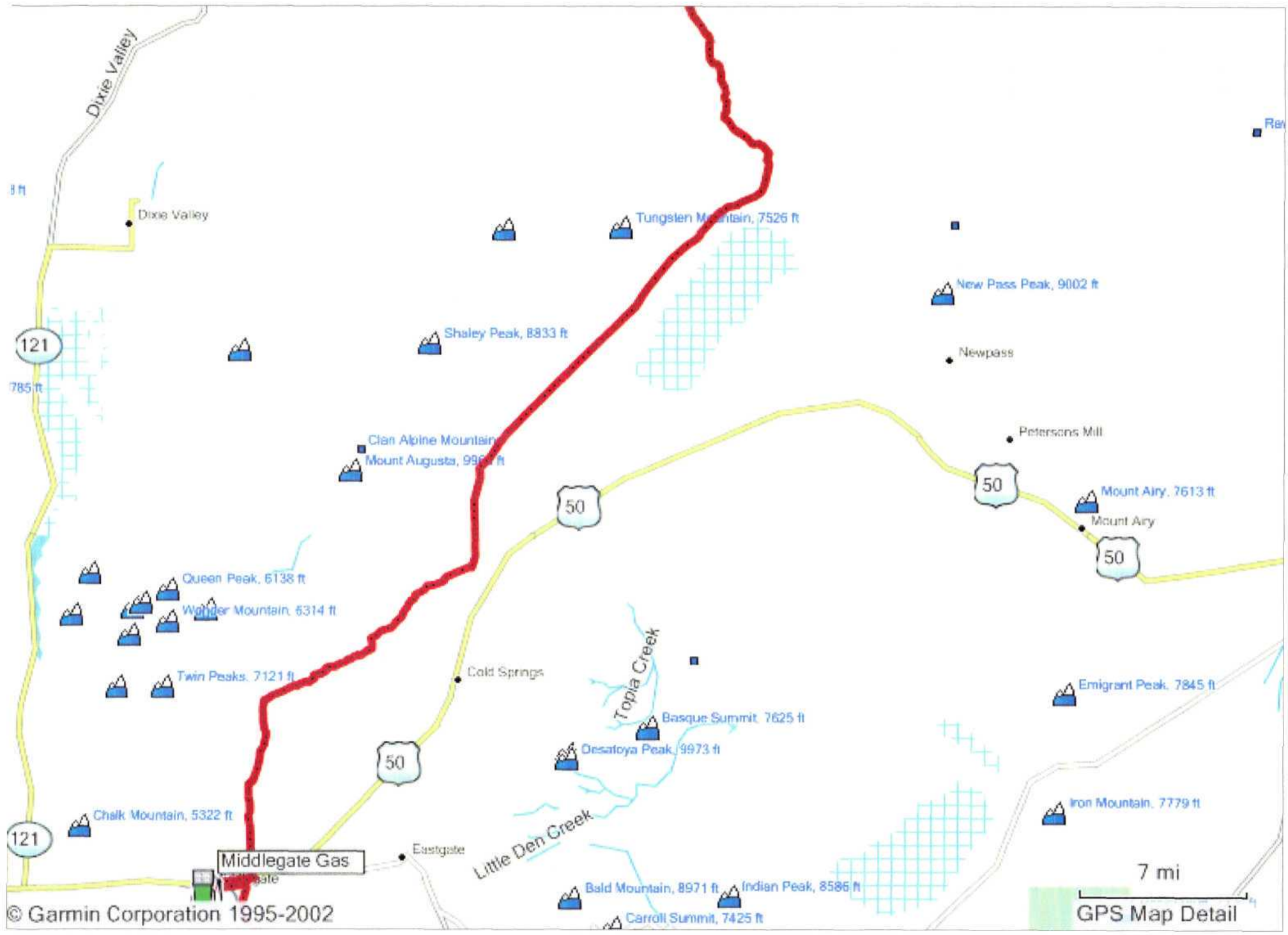
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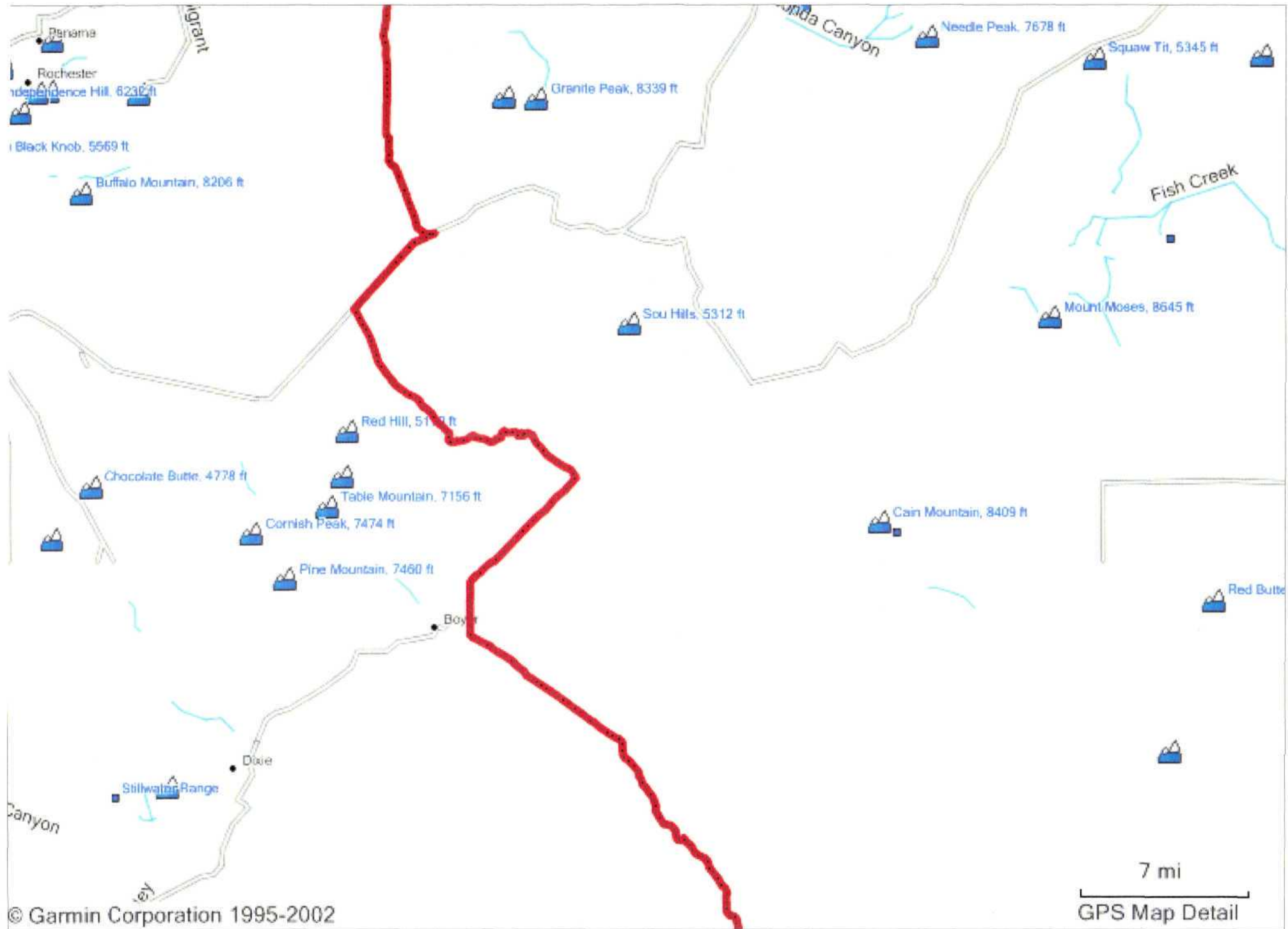


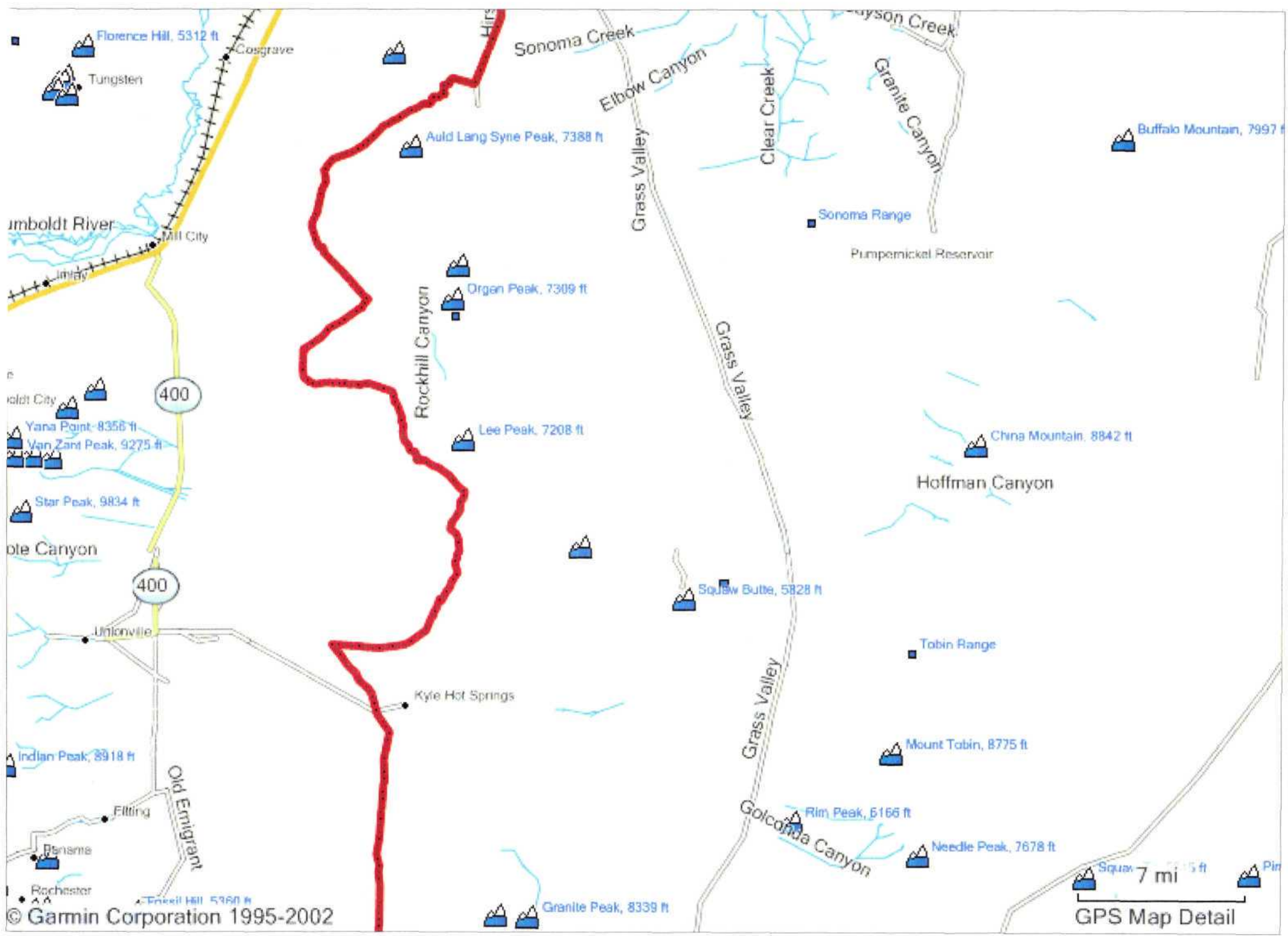


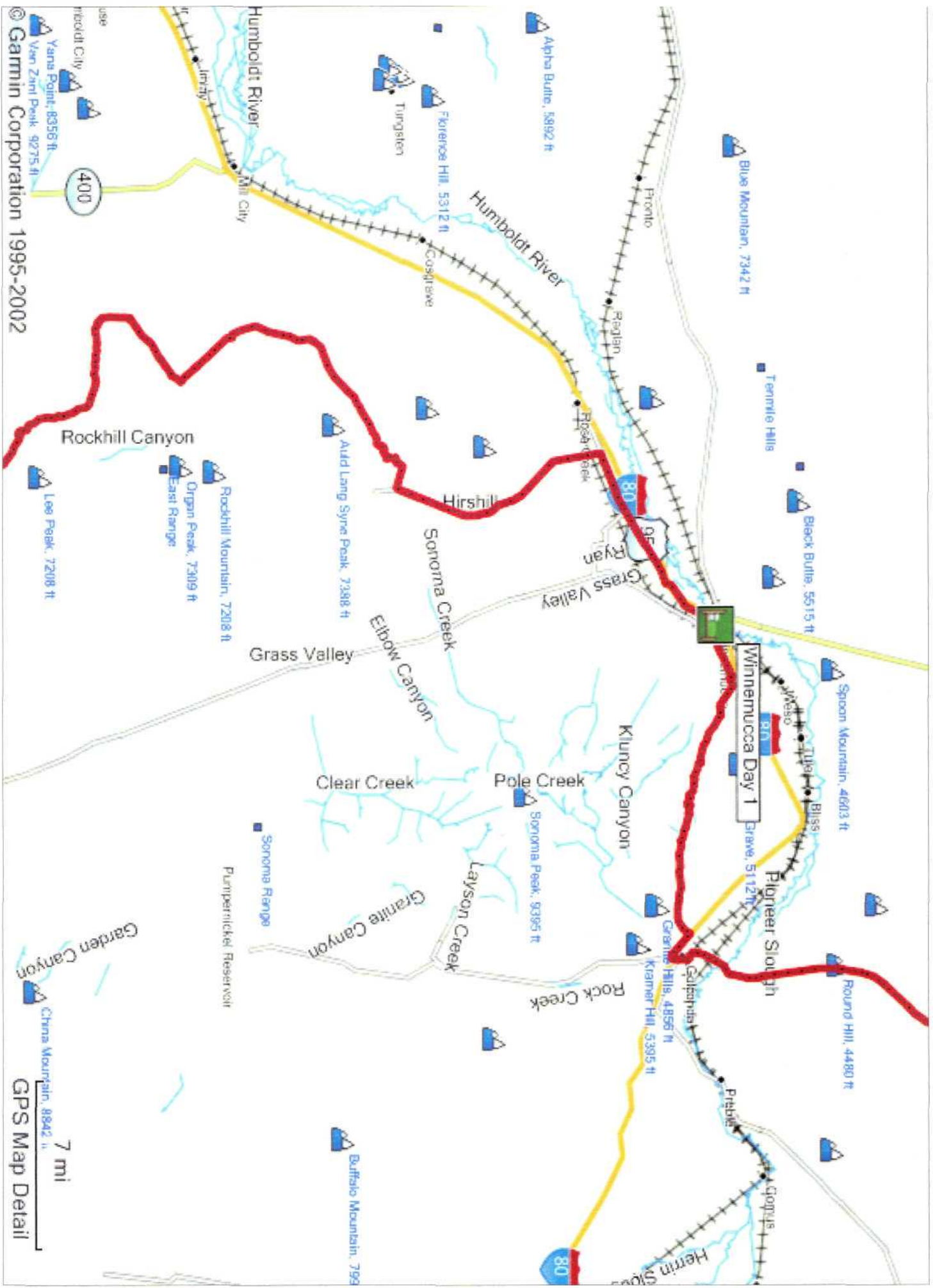


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Day 2: Winnemucca to Cedarville

Sunrise 5:28

Sunset 8:10

Total Miles 340

Gas 1 McDermitt 125 Miles

Gas 2 Denio 67 Miles

Finish Cedarville 148 Miles

Section 1, Winnemucca to McDermitt:

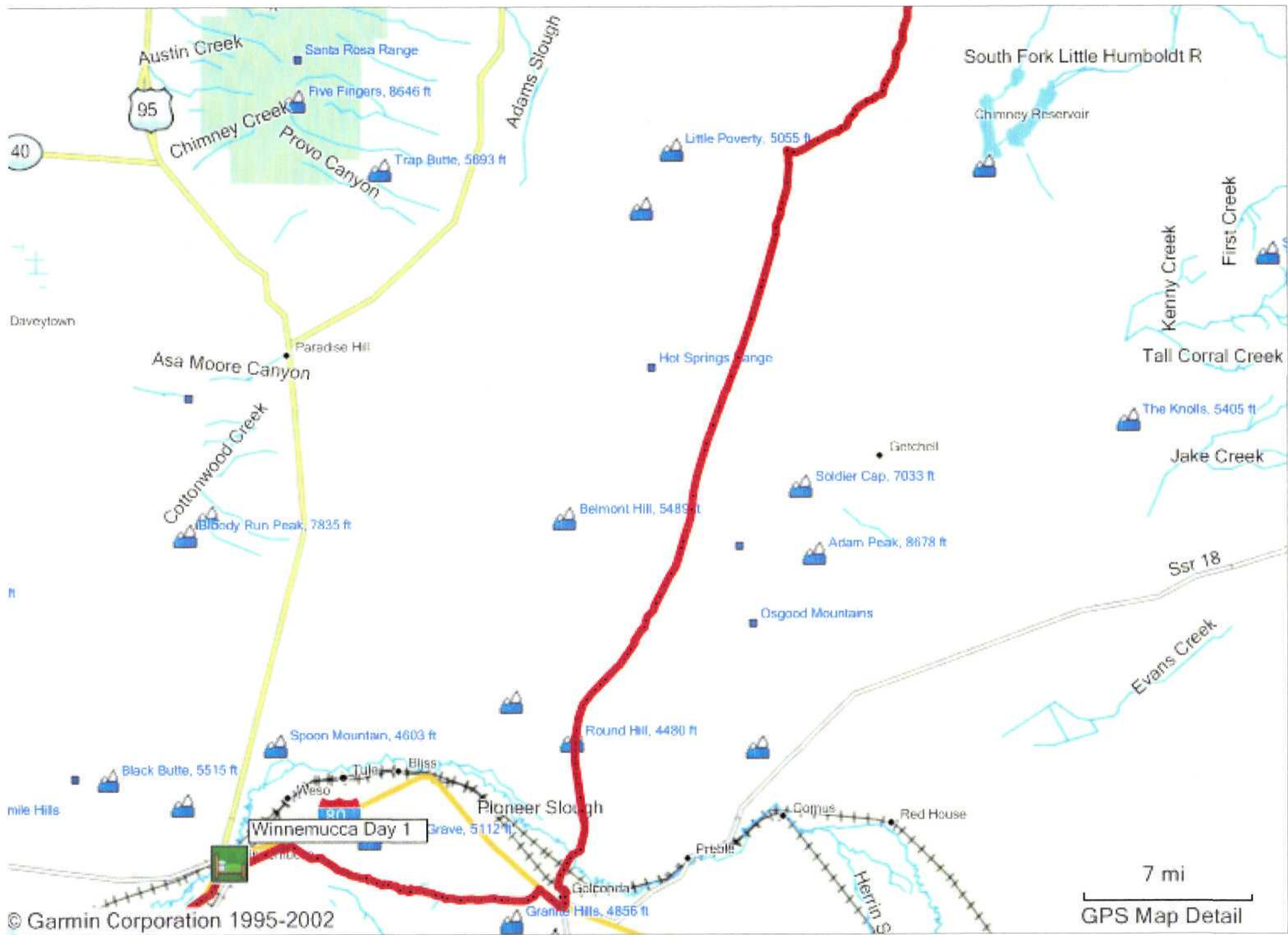
Leaving Winnemucca, we will make our way through the Sonoma Range over to Golconda before heading north. If you need to, I am sure you could top off on Fuel. From Golconda, it is a fast run up the Eden Valley Road to Bull Head Ranch. From here, you start making your way into the mountain once into the Santa Rosa Ranch; we will go through Windy Gap. From what I hear about Windy Gap, there is a reason for its name. This is one of the first places we could possibly encounter snow. If so, you can make your way around the North end of the mountains by going back to Hardscrabble road and into McDermitt.

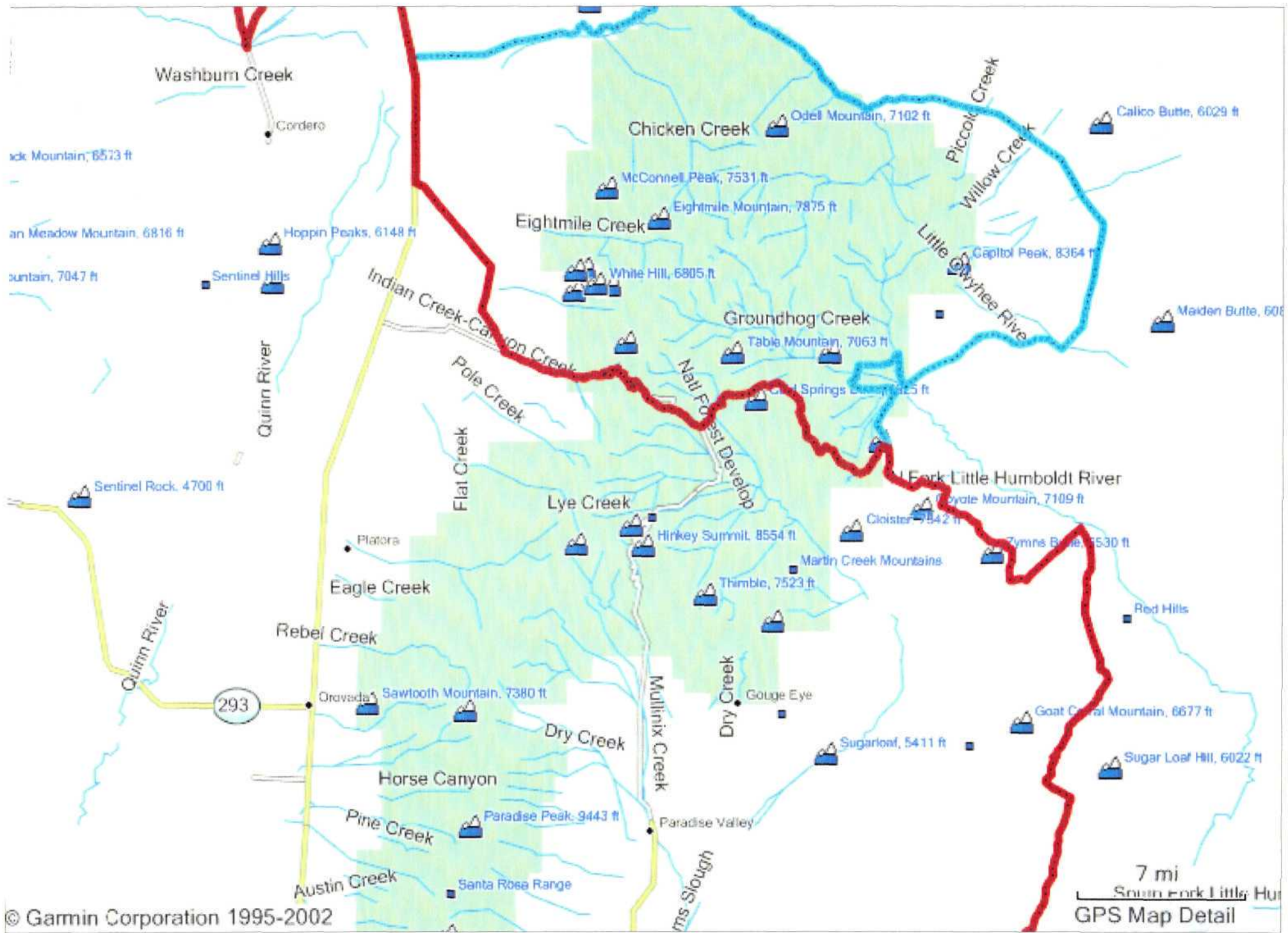
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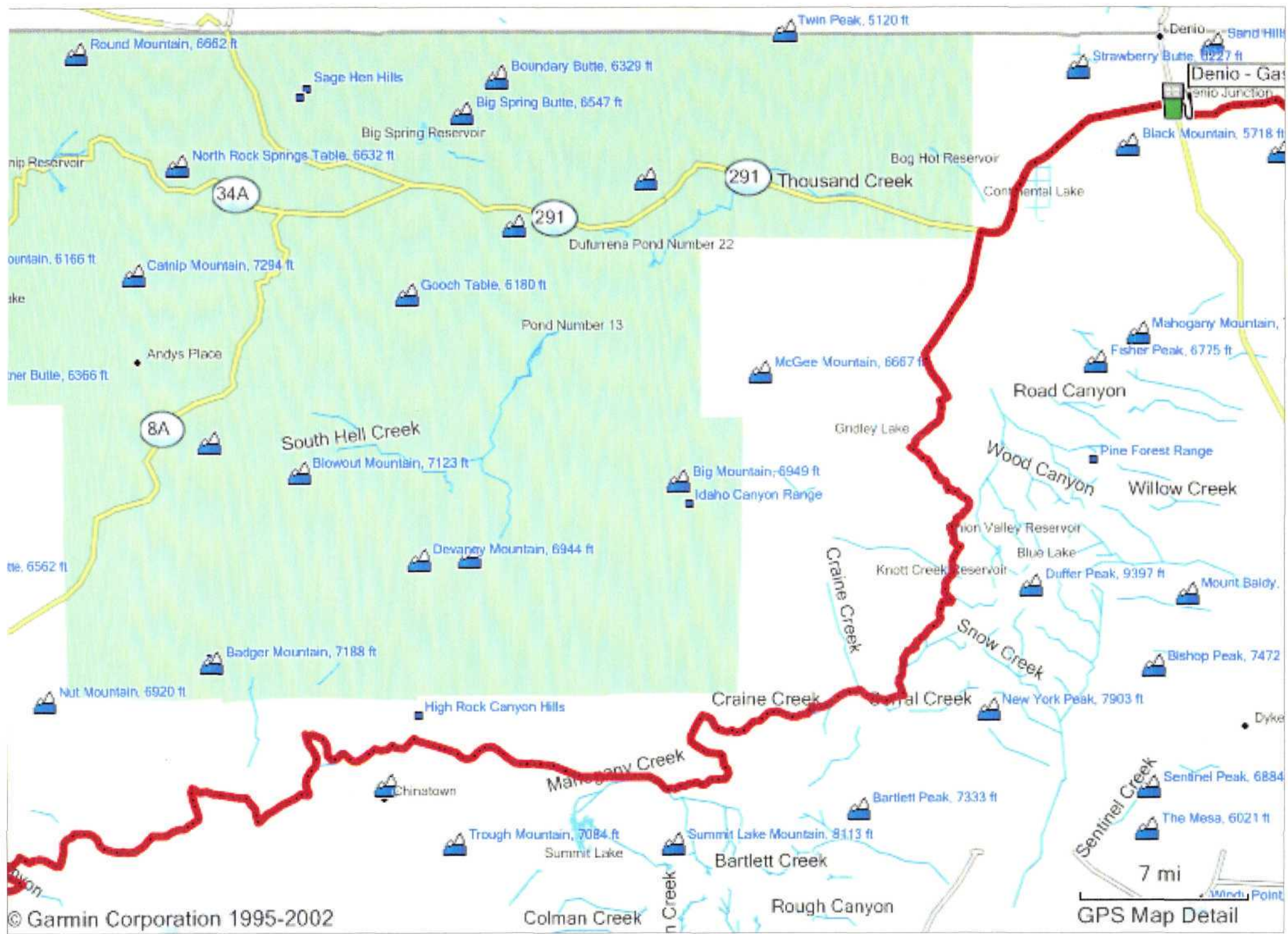
From McDermitt we head west over to Denio. This section should be a fun two track section that twists through a couple small mountain ranges. There should also be a few old cabins out here to explore. Lunch in Denio

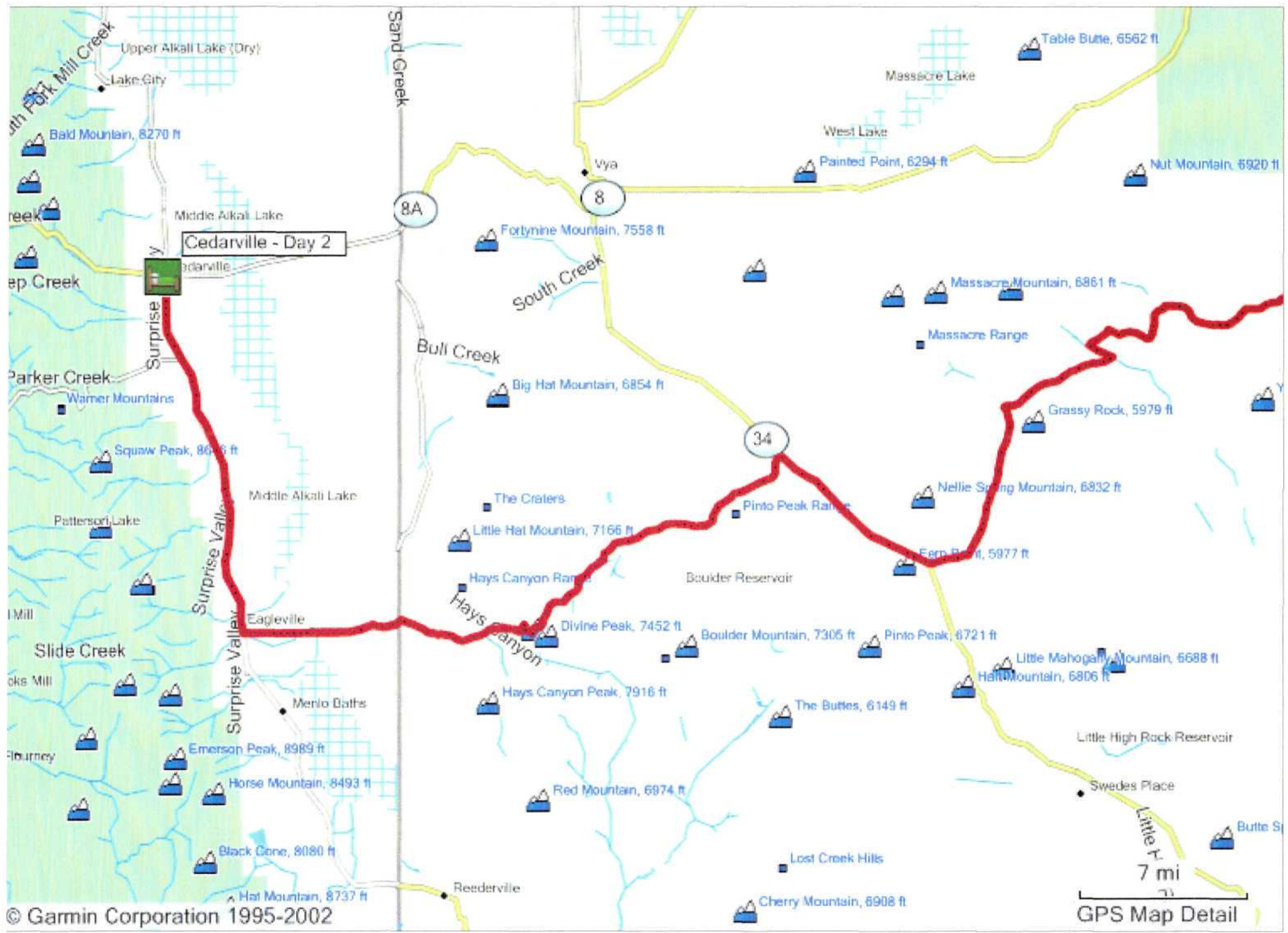
Section 3, Denio to Cedarville:

This one will keep you on your toes the whole way. Lots of fun two track to be had here. We are going to have to divert around the high passes that I had planned on going over do to snow. A quick run down the highway and then you are off. We turn down the Knott Creek Road and then onto a faint two track before heading into the mountain. The views and the rock formation in here are incredible. But don't stare too much or the roads will catch you out. It was pretty wet up here in early May so be careful. If you don't want to fight the wet dirt and mud in some areas (or are just running late out of Denio), you can continue down the Knott Creek Road until you join back up with the track logs down by Cove Camp. After Cove Camp, you go into the Black Rock Range for some really fun two track roads. I was riding over snow fields in early May, but you should have no problems by the time we go through. After leaving the Black Rock Range you head West across the valley and into the High Rock Wilderness area. I saw a lot of antelope and great views. Make sure to stop and check out Stevens Camp along the way. Really cool cabin that you could stay in. From Stevens Camp, it is still another 40 miles of fun two track roads and mountain passes into Cedarville. Get here before 8 if you want to eat.









Day 3, Cedarville to Seneca;

Sunrise: 5:44

Sunset: 8:24

Total Miles 342

Gas 1 Frenchglen 155 Miles

Gas 2 Burns 98 Miles

Finish Seneca 89 Miles

Section 1, Cedarville to Frenchglen:

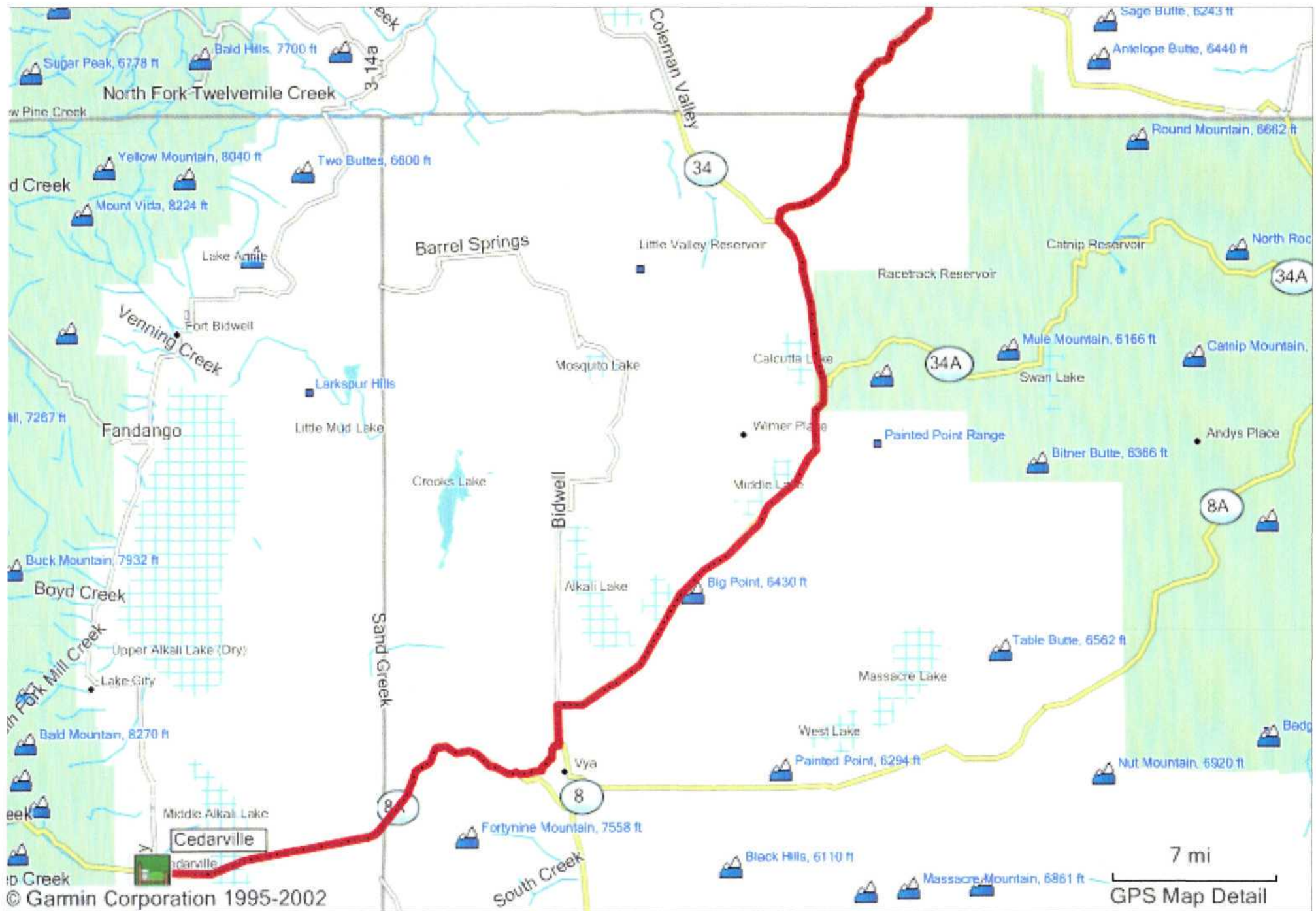
This should be a relatively relaxing day. We start with graded roads out of Cedarville up toward Coleman summit and Macy flat. Here we will turn onto some two track roads that take us up to highway 140. After crossing 140, we go up past Guano Lake and then turn and head up to Hart Mountain. I have been told that this is an awesome range that has some hot tubs if you feel like a soak. The Hart Range is high over one of the passes, so I am not 100% sure we can make it through. They are supposed to be fairly dry though. If not, take the Hart range cut off on the Blue Sky Road. This too looks to be a lot of fun. From the Hart Mountains it is an easy run up to Frenchglen for some gas.

Section 2, Frenchglen to Burns:

This is going to be a relaxing section. I have tried to throw in a couple of two track section in the Steen Mountains, but there just doesn't seem to be a way off the plateau. We will be on a bit of pavement heading into Burns. But it is better then dealing with the silt beds in Christmas Valley, which I was told can get pretty bad.

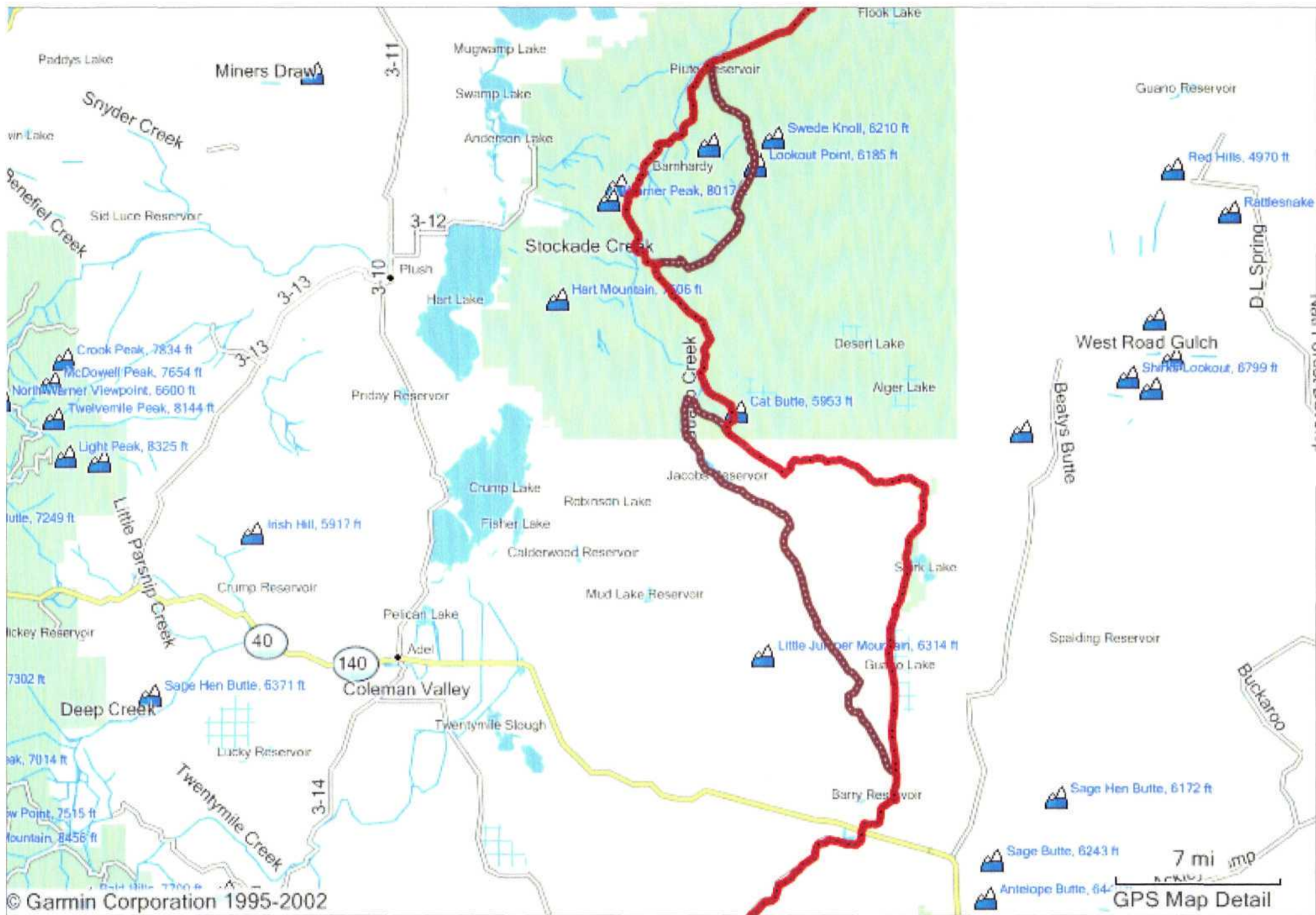
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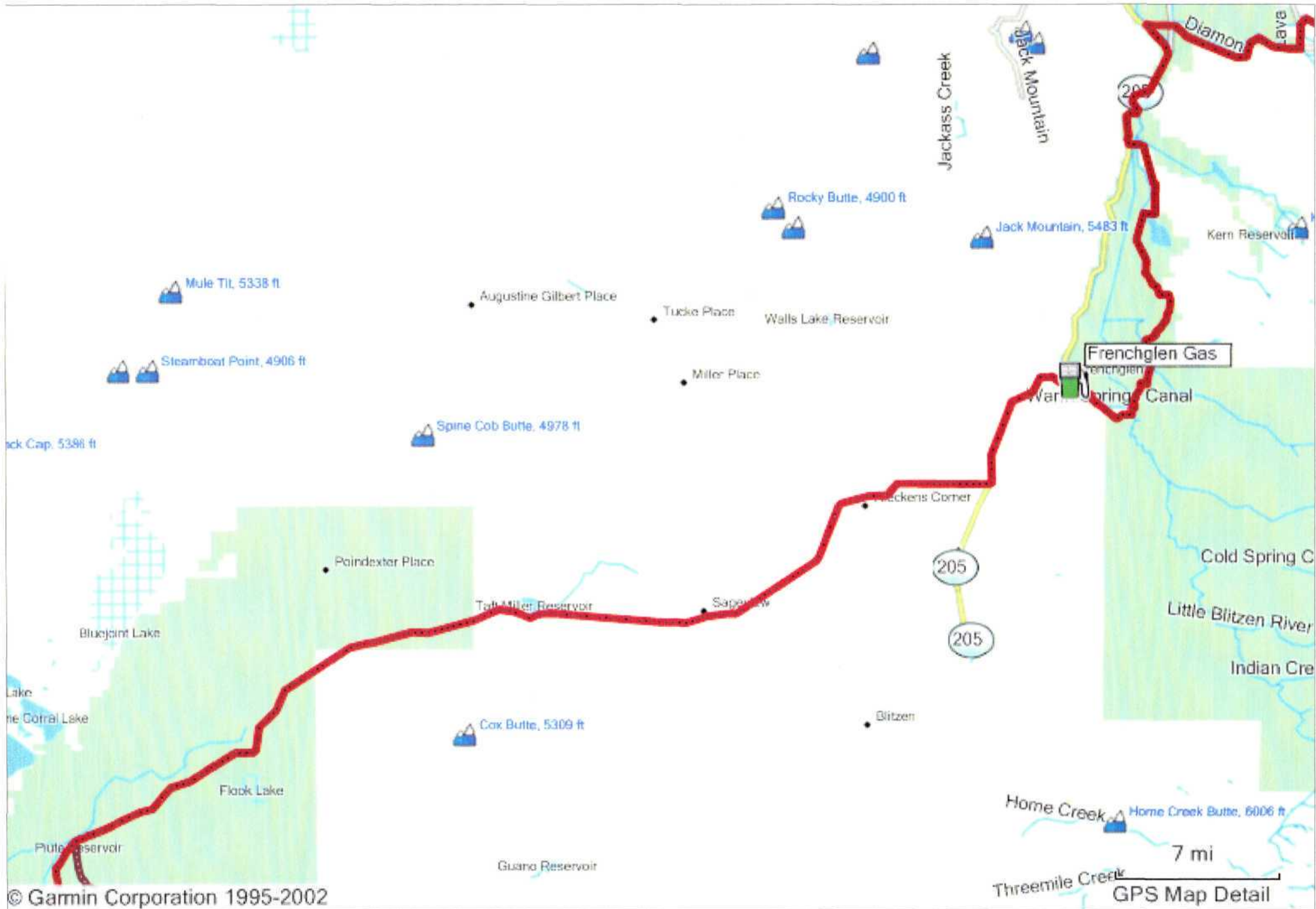
Here we get some of our first taste of the Oregon Back Country Discover Routes. We leave Burns and go in to the Ochoco Mountains. Here there are hundreds if not thousands of old logging roads, so it could get interesting. I have tried staying on the main roads, up Skull Creek to Yellow Jacket Reservoir. From Yellow Jacket we twist our way through the mountain to Seneca. There may be a couple of hard to find roads, so pay attention to your GPS. Flying it in Google Earth, I noticed there was always a connection route.



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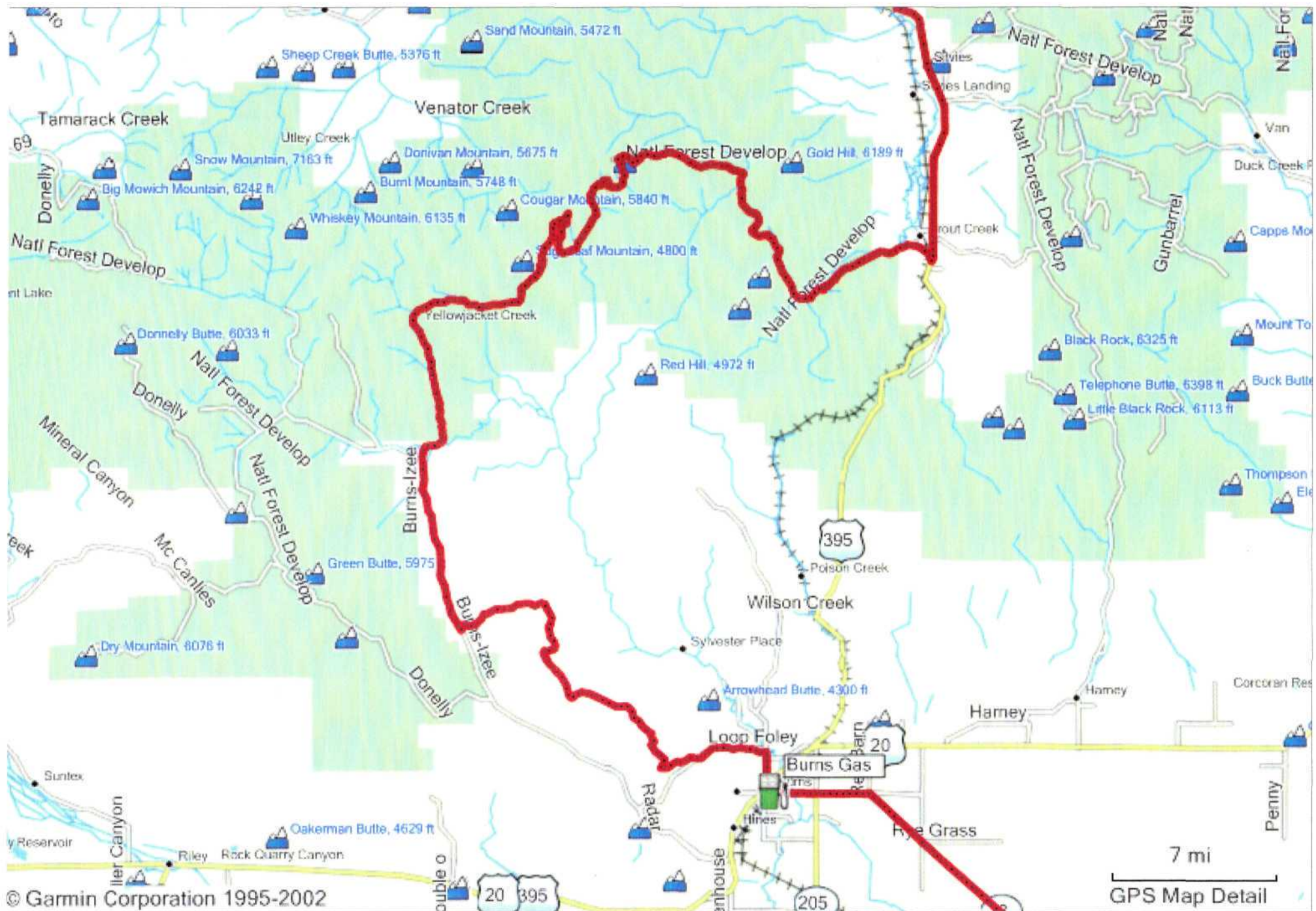
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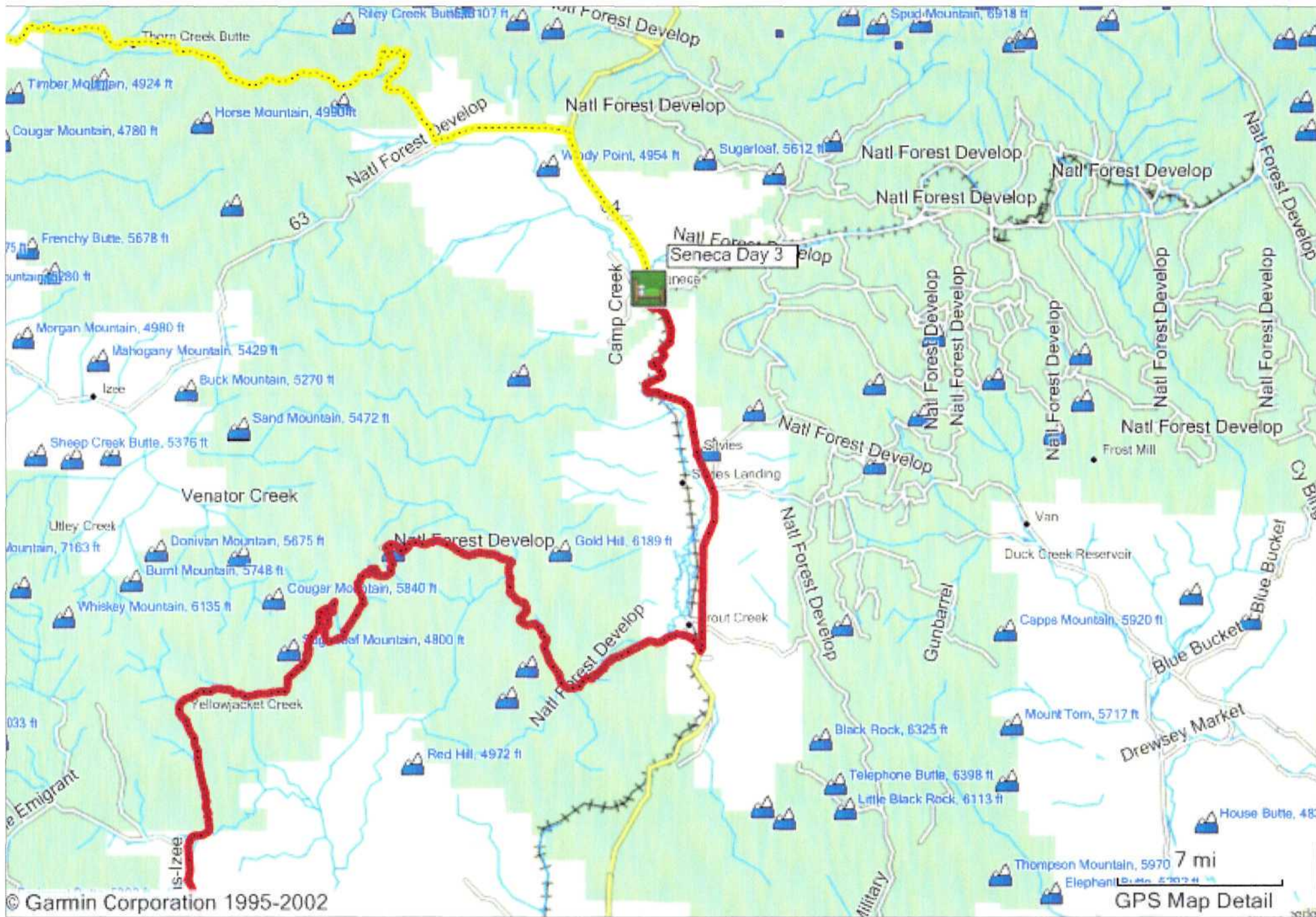




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Day 4: Seneca to Redmond.

Sunrise 5:21

Sunset 8:10

Total Miles 252

Gas 1 Prineville 122 miles

Finish Redmond 130 Miles

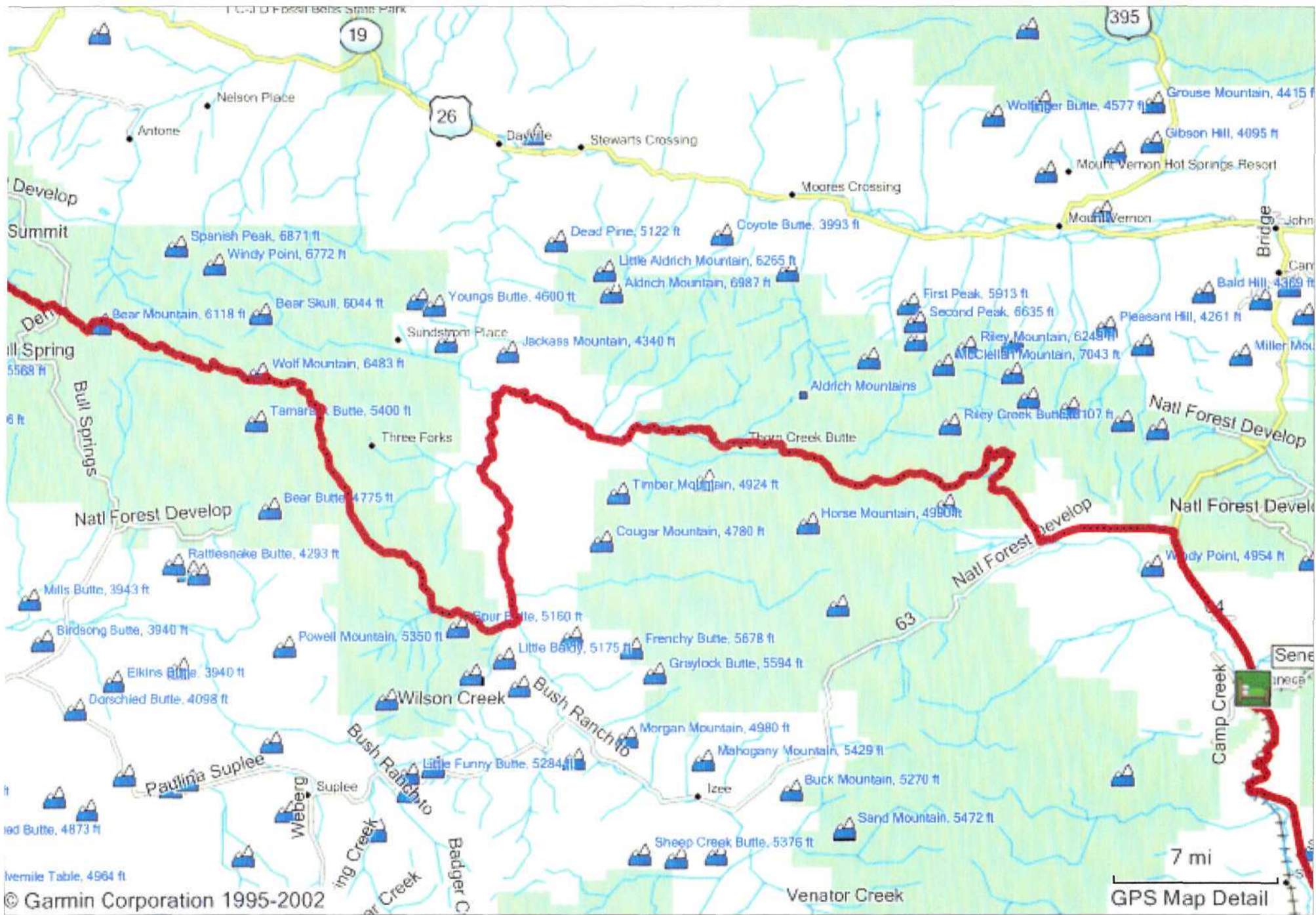
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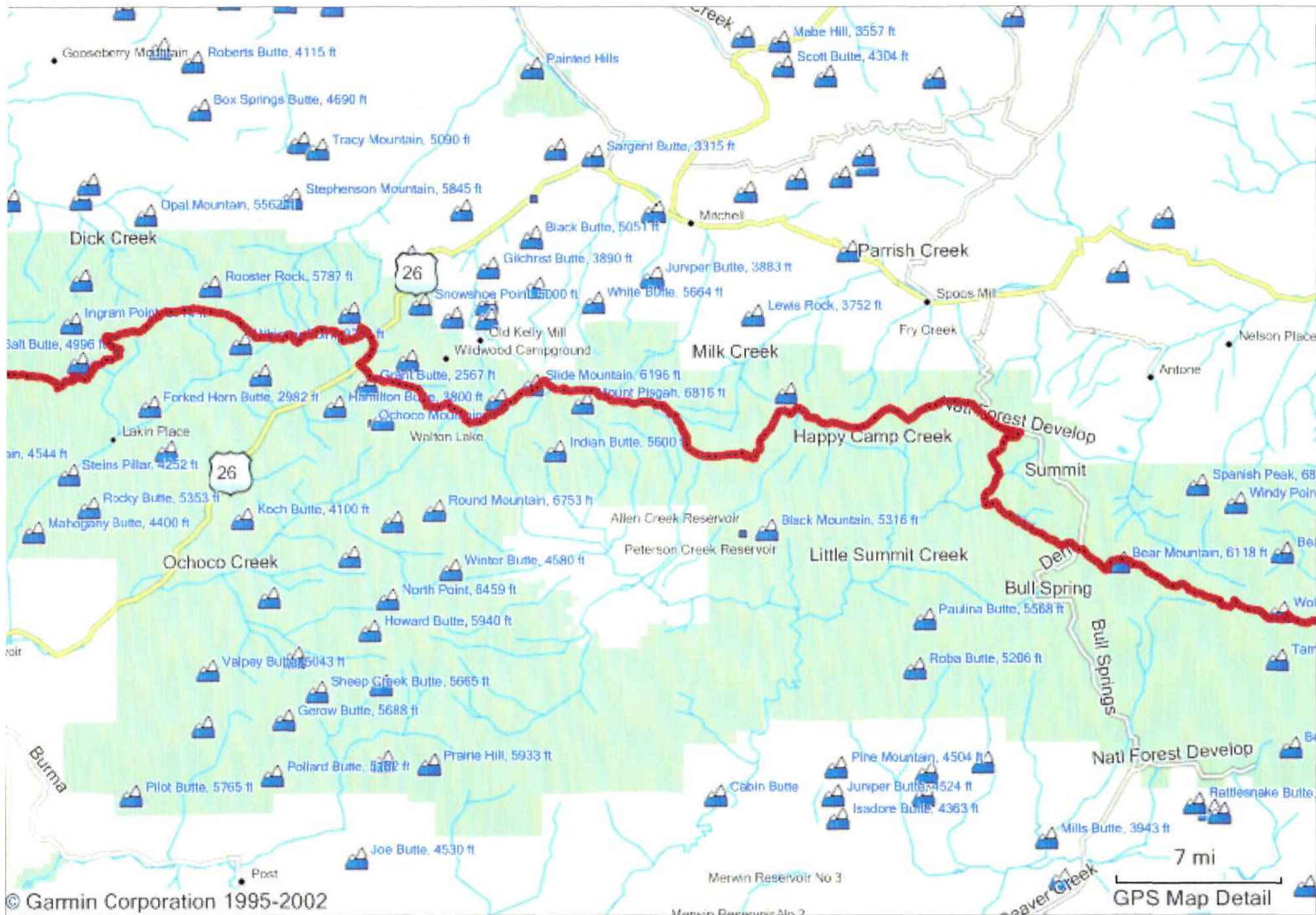
We leave our lodge in Seneca and head straight out onto the Oregon Back Country Discovery route. This route is supposed to be marked all the way to Redmond, so GPS's may or may not be needed. What you will need is a good map in case we run into snow. There are several routes out of the mountains to the highway so be smart and know where you are. I was told that a group did it last weekend, so that is my story and I am sticking to it.

Section 2, Prineville to Redmond:

Once in Prineville you can either ride directly into Redmond, approximately 30 miles or continue on the OBCDR. The route takes you north a ways before turning west and over to Sister's. From Sister's, it is a 15 mile ride into Redmond

At any time during the ride, you may come across private land or other obstacles that I can not depict on the map. It is up to you and your wingman to stay together and navigate around these obstacles. Remember this is a ride and an adventure. I recommend carrying a Benchmark map. They are usually pretty good references and I used them to lay out most of the routes.





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