



PRESCOTT HIKE & BIKE TRAILS

WATSON LAKE LOOP



Approximately 4.8 miles in length for the entire loop around the lake. The Northshore trail covers rocky steep terrain, the Over the Hill trail covers rocky and slightly more moderate terrain, and the Peavine and Lower Granite Creek Trail are relatively flat in comparison. There is a \$3 parking fee at Watson Lake Park. (free on Wed)

WATSON WOODS



Walk through Prescott's largest riparian area with lots of interpretive native plant signage. Great spring, summer and fall walk which loops to the Peavine and Discovery trails. 1.5 miles. 5188' (low) – 5218' (high) \$3 parking fee at Sundog Ranch Peavine trailhead. (free on Wed)

GRANITE GARDENS

This trail network is a favorite with kids, with steep ups and downs following the white dot trails, this short hike packs a punch. Be sure to check out the Stairway trail and squeeze through the Grotto. 1.5 miles
Elevation: 5050' (low) - 5150' (high)
2523 E Granite Gardens Dr. - Free parking

HIKING

Flume Canyon, Watson Dam and Northshore Trails - 10 min hike from Point of Rocks RV Campground

These trails all connect to each other. Park either at the Flume trailhead off Granite Dells Road (free) or park at Watson Lake (\$3 fee, free Wednesday). Multiple loop options with great views of Watson lake, canyons and the lushest part of Prescott with Granite Creek below the dam. Northshore Trail should be considered only by experienced hikers and mountain bikers. 2.4 mi. 5057' (low) – 5186' (high)

Willow Dells Slickrock Trail Loops - Only 3 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

These rugged trails run through the Dells, over granite rock outcrops, and along the north edge of Willow Lake. Best suited for hiking, considered very advanced mountain biking. 3.0 mi. 5080' (low) – 5180' (high). \$3.00 Fee for parking. (free on Wednesdays)

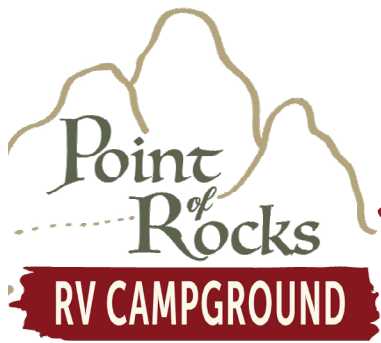
Goldwater Lake Trails - 20 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

North Shore (0.26 mile) and Bannon Creek Trails (0.6 miles) are two easy multi-use trails at Goldwater Lake. To reach Goldwater Lake Park, drive south on Mount Vernon Street (becomes Senator Hwy) about 4 miles to the entrance of Goldwater Lake Park, turn right and park in designated parking. There is a \$3 parking fee. (free on Wednesdays)

Lakeshore Trail - 5 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

The scenic Lakeshore trail offers a more technical single-track experience which has six connections and loop possibilities to the popular Rails to Trails Peavine Trail. The 2 mile Lakeshore Trail starts 1 mile from the Sundog Ranch Peavine trailhead and is marked by white dots on the slick rock portions. A bicycle rack is located at the 1.5 mile point at which trail users can hike a loop trail to Watson Lake. This trail is much more technical than the Peavine Trail and should only be considered by hikers who are sure on their feet and experienced, technically adept mountain bikers. The trail is really just a suggested route, and you can certainly explore on the rocks to expand your adventure – have fun! 2.0 mi. 5160' (low) – 5220' (high) \$3.00 parking fee. (free on Wednesday)

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HIKING

Prescott Peavine National Recreation Trail - 10 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

This is one of the few Rails to Trails projects in Arizona. There are outstanding views of Watson Lake and Granite Dells, as well as, wildlife viewing. Walk, hike, bike or horseback along this six mile trail that was originally built by the Santa Fe Railway in 1893. The Peavine connects with the Iron King Trail for another four mile trek along more railroad bed. Take Hwy 89 to Prescott Lakes Parkway, then to Sundog Ranch Rd. Shown on the NE Prescott Trails Map. Parking at the Peavine Trailhead off Prescott Lakes Parkway has a 3 fee, but you can access this trail off of Hwy 89A at Side Road, or from Prescott Valley Iron King trailhead, or from the trailhead on Granite Dells Rd for free.

Iron King Trail - 10 mins from Point of Rocks RV Campground

The Iron King Trail in Prescott Valley is a brought together by the Town of Prescott Valley, Rails to Trail Program, and others having officially opened on July 10th, 2004. Iron King Trail can be accessed in multiple ways, the easiest being parking in the small dirt lot on the west side of Glassford Hill Rd. off Sante Fe Loop and parking is free. Access is also available from the Peavine Trail. This trail is doubletrack and an easy ride. There is a gentle climb for the first 2.25 miles then a flat ride into the rocks. The trail ends at the Peavine Trail after a fun downhill section. A picnic table and a port-a-let await you at the intersection.

Lynx Recreation Trail #311 - 15 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

This popular hiking trail, located in the Lynx Lake Recreation Area, travels around Lynx Lake. The man-made, 55-acre lake attracts a diversity of wildlife. The birdwatching here is particularly excellent. Winter brings bald eagles that sometimes nest in the area and there may be osprey in summer. A range of songbirds and waterfowl, present year-round, stir the air with their varied calls. The western half of the trail is paved and wheelchair accessible. The eastern half is a narrow dirt footpath. Ponderosa pines and other trees provide dappled shade along most of the route. This trail begins and ends at the Southshore parking area. \$5 for day use (Wednesdays are free)

Lynx Lake: Homestead Trail - 15 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

Homestead Trail #305 travels north through ponderosa pine and oak forest, and connects several sites within the Lynx Lake Recreation Area. Among these sites are Hilltop Campground and Lynx Campground, the Highlands Center for Natural History, and Lynx Ruin Trail #301. From the trailhead, this trail climbs for a short distance, offering sweeping vistas of the pine-covered Bradshaw Mountains before dropping down to follow Smith Ravine. Many of the rock types exposed along the trail are metamorphic varieties similar to what one finds in the lower reaches of the Grand Canyon. This trail ends at the trailhead for Ranch Trail #62. This trail is open to hikers and mountain bikers. Please be considerate of other users—slow down and know when to yield the trail. Please refrain from using bikes when the trail is wet.

Acker Park Trails - 10 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

Acker Park consists of approximately 80 acres of natural parkland near downtown Prescott with access from 421 S. Virginia St., Penn St./ Eastwood, Autumn Breeze (in the Foothills subdivision) and S. Washington. Multi-use hiking trails with interpretive signs, restrooms, and views. Located at 421 S Virginia Street. 1.5 mi. 5480' (low) – 5630' (high) Free parking.

Centennial Trail - 12 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

An in-town trail that meanders through the boulders and canyons, with panoramic views of the City of Prescott, Rodeo Grounds, Thumb Butte, and Granite Mountain. Petroglyphs are a feature of the trail. Parking area on Kile Street near Iron Springs Road, with a 2 mile out-an-back in either direction. There is also parking at Westridge Dr and Gail Gardner. 2.0 mi. 5447' (low) – 5729' (high) Free parking.

Prescott Circle Trail - Accessible from Watson Lake, a 3 minute drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

The Prescott Circle Trail is a network of our best non-motorized trails that combine to make a 54 mile loop around Prescott. The PCT is jointly managed by the City of Prescott (25 miles) and Prescott National Forest (29 miles). The trail comes as close as three miles to downtown Prescott and is easily accessible with 15 trailheads along its length. A lap of the PCT has about 6000 feet of elevation gain and can be enjoyed as an adventurous one or two day trip or a multi-day trip over a period of days, weeks or months.

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PEAVINE



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CONSTELLATION



Trailhead is located on the west side of State Rte 89, and just south of The Phippen Museum. This series of trail loops traverse more level ground than some of the other Dells trails. Trail surface varies from packed earth to slick rock. Usage is marked for mountain biking & hiking. You will enjoy beautiful rock formations and scrub oak passageways on this trail. The trail heads under the highway and you come out in an area where a Lockheed C-121G Super Constellation crashed on February 28, 1959.

BIKING

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Goldwater Lakes - 25 mins from our Point of Rocks RV Campground

This ride starts with a really fun climb up through the mountains past some amazing scenery. The manageable climbs are long and steady, but there are a few rocky sections where you may choose to push for 15 feet or so. Higher up the scenery is amazing past the lakes and trees. On the return trip, all the climbs switch to fun, controlled downhills with a few more climbs thrown in for good measure

Goldwater Lakes Trail #396 - 12 mins from Point of Rocks RV Campground

This is a great trail for a hot summer day. Located almost entirely in the trees, it includes a bit of climbing with little technical skills needed. The trail starts at White Spar Campground just off of White Spar Rd just minutes south of Downtown, Prescott. A winding climb brings you to a small overlook with good views of the mountains west of town. Then a short downhill to the pond and the real climb begins. The first 1/4 mile is the toughest then it steps its way to the saddle. Be sure to look off to your left while you climb to see Goldwater Lake. Then a gentle downhill through the trees and the final climb up to Senator Highway.

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Firewater Trail - 15 mins from our Point of Rocks RV Campground

A fun trail that connects West Trail #318, or 'White Rock' as everyone calls it, and Javelina Trail #332. This is a reroute of a social trail that has several rock features built in. The top, off West Trail #318, winds and twists a bit before crossing a drainage and dropping fairly sharply across a steep side hill. Nearing the bottom, there are a couple rock steps and ramps. This trail is rideable in either direction, but best going down! Climb back up Javelina Trail #332 to rejoin the Thumb Butte area trails.

Wolverton Mountain Trail - 15 mins from Point of Rocks RV Campground

This trail starts just across Hwy 89 from White Spar Campground on White Spar Road just south of Prescott. From the start it is climb, climb, climb. The trail starts in the trees with nice flowy easy climbing. Then after a short downhill, grab your lungs and be ready. As you climb out of the trees look off to the right and you'll see great views of Prescott from Thumb Butte in the west to the Dells farther to the east. More climbing is ahead as you wind your way higher and higher. At about 4.2 miles you'll come to a gate. Pass around the gate and on to the doubletrack. A bit more climbing and then finally some downhill to the intersection of Trail 48.

Mt. Francis Loop - 14 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

This loop incorporates some great trails, climbs through the Thumb Butte area (several optional routes here), then heads up a rugged climb on Sparrow, followed by excellent descents on Moby #737 and #9415 Wolverton Mountain Trail. Sparrow follows a fairly busy ravine, Moby #737 has beautiful forest and great views, as does Wolverton – if you can take your eyes off the trail! You can add Goldwater Lakes Trail #396 and Feldmeier Trail #330 after crossing White Spar Rd. if you're still hungry for more.

Salida Gulch Trail - 15 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

You can access this trail from the Lynx Creek Ruin Rd. just off of Walker Road. You can park at the trailhead or make this part of a ride incorporating trail 305. This loop is a gentle uphill with great views at the top then a fast and flowy downhill back to the trailhead. From the parking area at the end of Lynx Creek Ruins Rd. ride across the rocky dry creek and pass the gate. Be sure to go ride approximately 50 ft past the gate then an immediate left.

Yearly Event Scheduled for April - Whiskey Off-Road – 30 Proof Course - 10 min drive from Point of Rocks RV Campground

The ultimate mountain bike event weekend, hosted cooperatively by Epic Rides, the City of Prescott, and the Prescott National Forest during the final weekend of April each year. The Whiskey Off-Road 30 Proof course begins with a brief stay and steep climb on the pavement heading out to the endless single track offerings located in Prescott National Forest. Once in the forest, the route features technical single track, burly water bars, daunting creek crossings, smooth fire roads, quality climbing, and awesome vistas.

RENTALS AND SUPPLIES

Soul Ride - Prescott Mountain Biking

230 S Montezuma St, Prescott, AZ 86303 • (928) 445-1662
Soul Ride is a mountain bike guide shop offering rentals, tours, skills classes & retreats. With a full Bike Shop offering repairs, builds and retail.

High Gear Bike Shop

505 E Sheldon St, Prescott, AZ 86301 • (928) 445-0636

Bikesmith Cyclery

723 N Montezuma St, Prescott, AZ 86301 • (928) 445-0280

Ironclad Bicycles

710 White Spar Rd, Prescott, AZ 86303 • (928) 776-1755
Ironclad Bicycles is a bike shop offering rentals, classes and events. With a shop offering repairs and service.

Southwest Sounds & Cyclery

116 N Montezuma St, Prescott, AZ 86301 • (928) 443-8996

Prescott Valley Bike Works

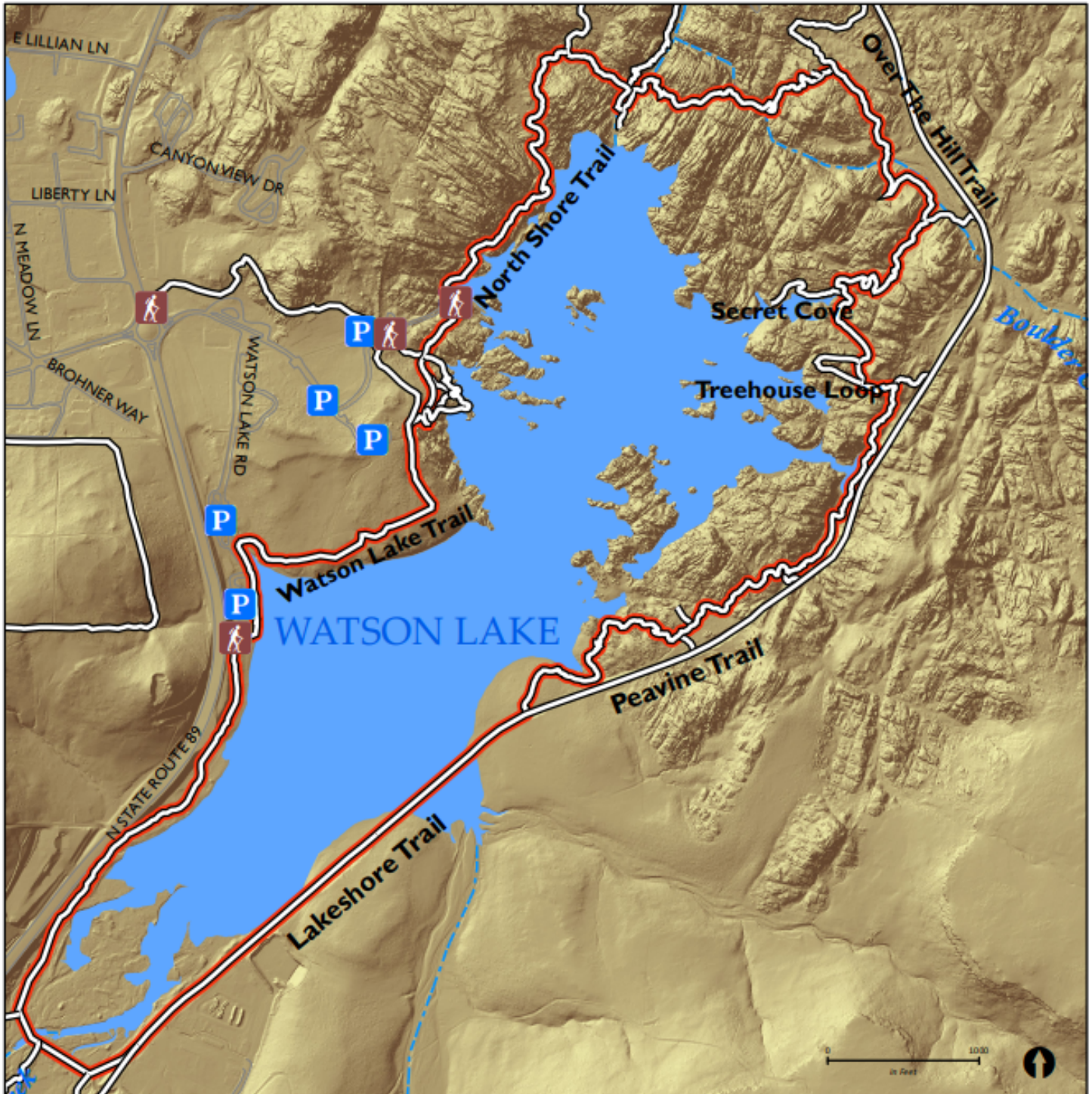
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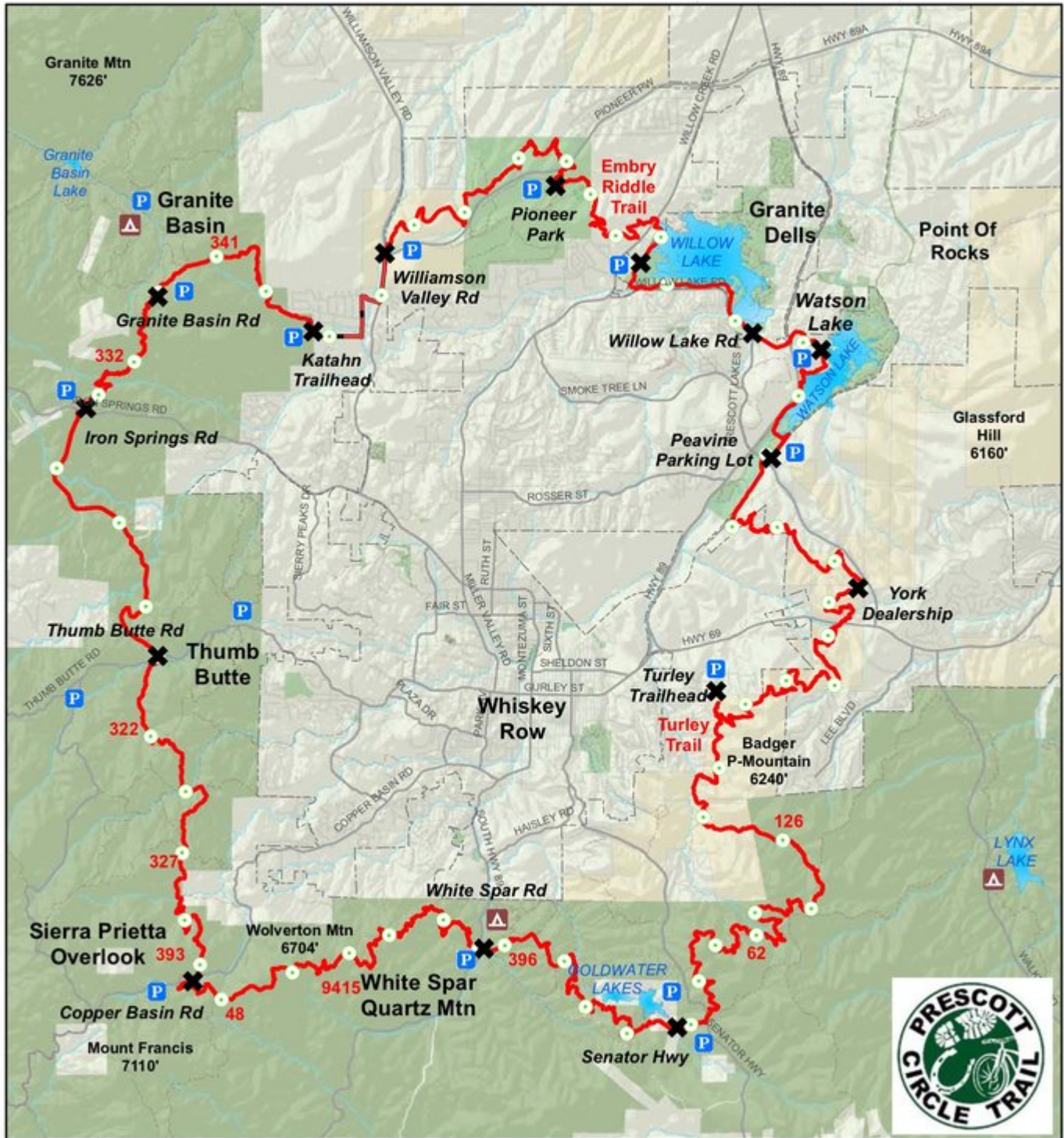


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