



LABSS Supplemental Materials

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Welcome!

Thank you for joining the study!

- Thank you for taking the time to become involved in YOUR public lands
- Thank you to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy
- Thank you to our partner organizations
- Thank you to The Westin Monache Resort

Public Meeting #1



Welcome and Introduction to LABSS

Ray Jarvis, Town of Mammoth Lakes

“Management of the Mammoth Lakes Basin: Challenges and Opportunities”

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“Recreation Survey: Data Collection and Development”

*Carole Lester and Suzy Bibona, Friends of the Inyo
Chuck Megivern, MLTPA*

“Visions for the Mammoth Lakes Basin”

Jon Kazmierski, Inyo National Forest

“Working Session - Exploring Solutions at Five Recreation Nodes”

Participants

“Closing Comments and Introduction to Meeting #3”



Presenters

Ray Jarvis

Director of Public Works, Town of Mammoth Lakes

Carole Lester and Suzy Bibona

Lakes Basin Stewards, Friends of the Inyo

Chuck Megivern

Data Manager

Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access Foundation

Jon Kazmierski

Recreation Staff Office, Inyo National Forest

Partners



- Collaborative effort to examine current summer recreation situation in the Mammoth Lakes Basin, discuss management challenges, and explore possible solutions
- Identify a comprehensive vision
- Foundation for a future management plan
- 2 Year data collection effort
- Series of 3 public meetings
- Written report to be completed after 3rd meeting

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from the original SNC Grant Application

- Not a management plan
- No decisions will be made in this process/study
- Not subject to NEPA or CEQA

- Decision making process
- Subject to NEPA
- Structured public involvement process
- Proposed Action and Alternatives to the Proposed Action will be assessed for their effects on the environment. Environmental effects are disclosed to the public and the agency makes an informed decision.
- Late 2011/Early 2012

- Overview of management challenges and opportunities for the Mammoth Lakes Basin
- Review of the recreation survey conducted this summer
- Share some visions for the future of the Lakes Basin
- Working Session - Everybody will have an opportunity to put on the Managers' shoes!

“Management of the Mammoth Lakes Basin: Challenges and Opportunities”

Ray Jarvis, Town of Mammoth Lakes

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Ten Management Challenges

- Signage and Wayfinding
 - User Conflicts
 - Enforcement
- Lack of Information
- Infrastructure Not Meeting Demands
 - Watershed Erosion
- Sustainability of Resources
- Protection for Historical Resources
 - Interagency Cooperation
 - Fuels Reduction/Fire Danger

Signage and Wayfinding

- Wide variety of existing signage in the Lakes Basin
- Wide variety of signage needs to benefit recreation
- Signage and Wayfinding is an tool to address a variety of recreation challenges

Existing Signage - Vehicular



Existing Signage - Needs Help



Existing Signage - Unlike the Others



Existing Signage - Will Remain



Existing Signage - Random?



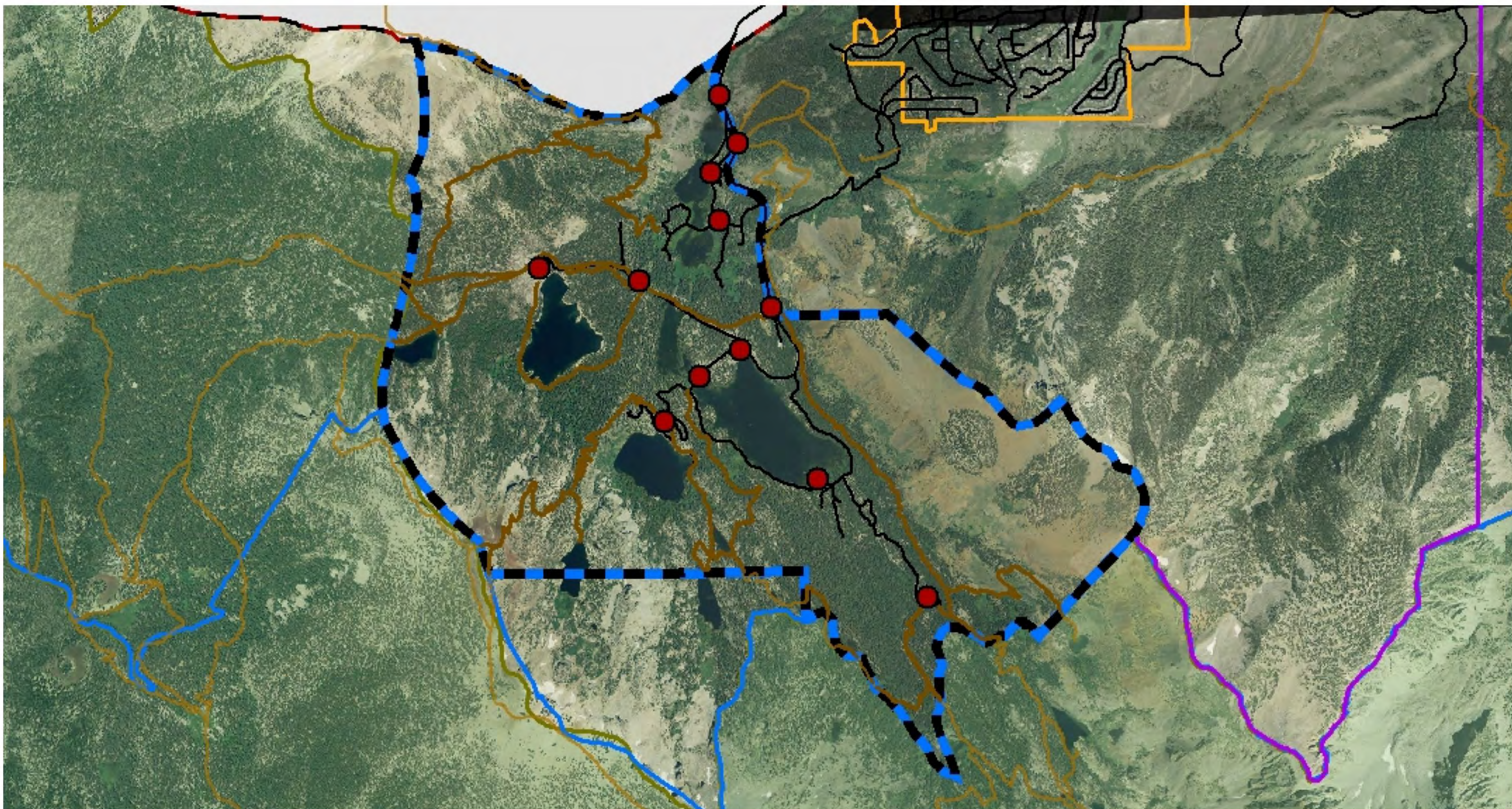
New Signage Program



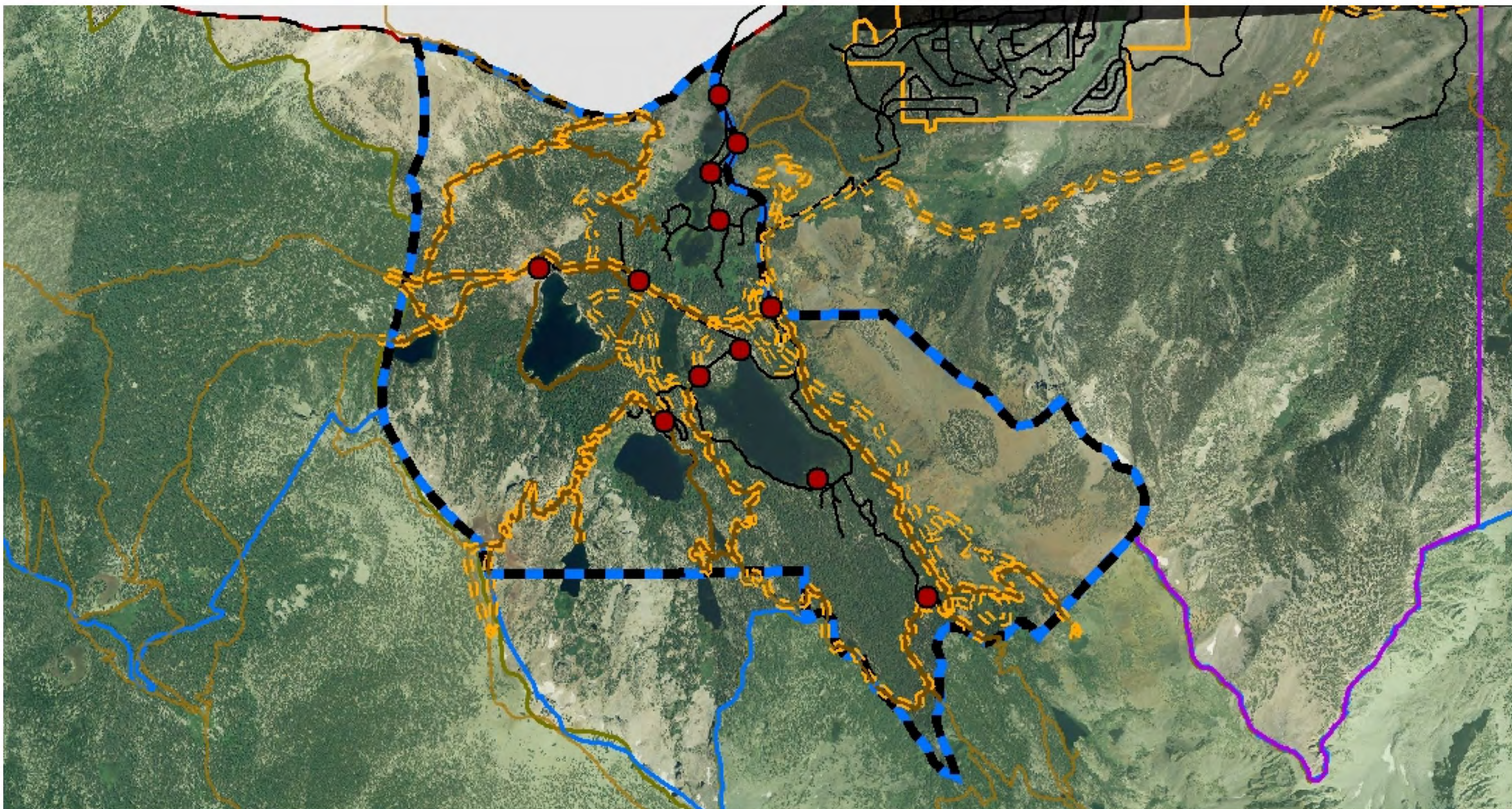
User Conflicts

- Network of Trails = Many opportunities for user conflict
 - INF System Trails
 - Equestrian/Packer Trails
 - Unofficial User-Created Trails
 - Bike Trails

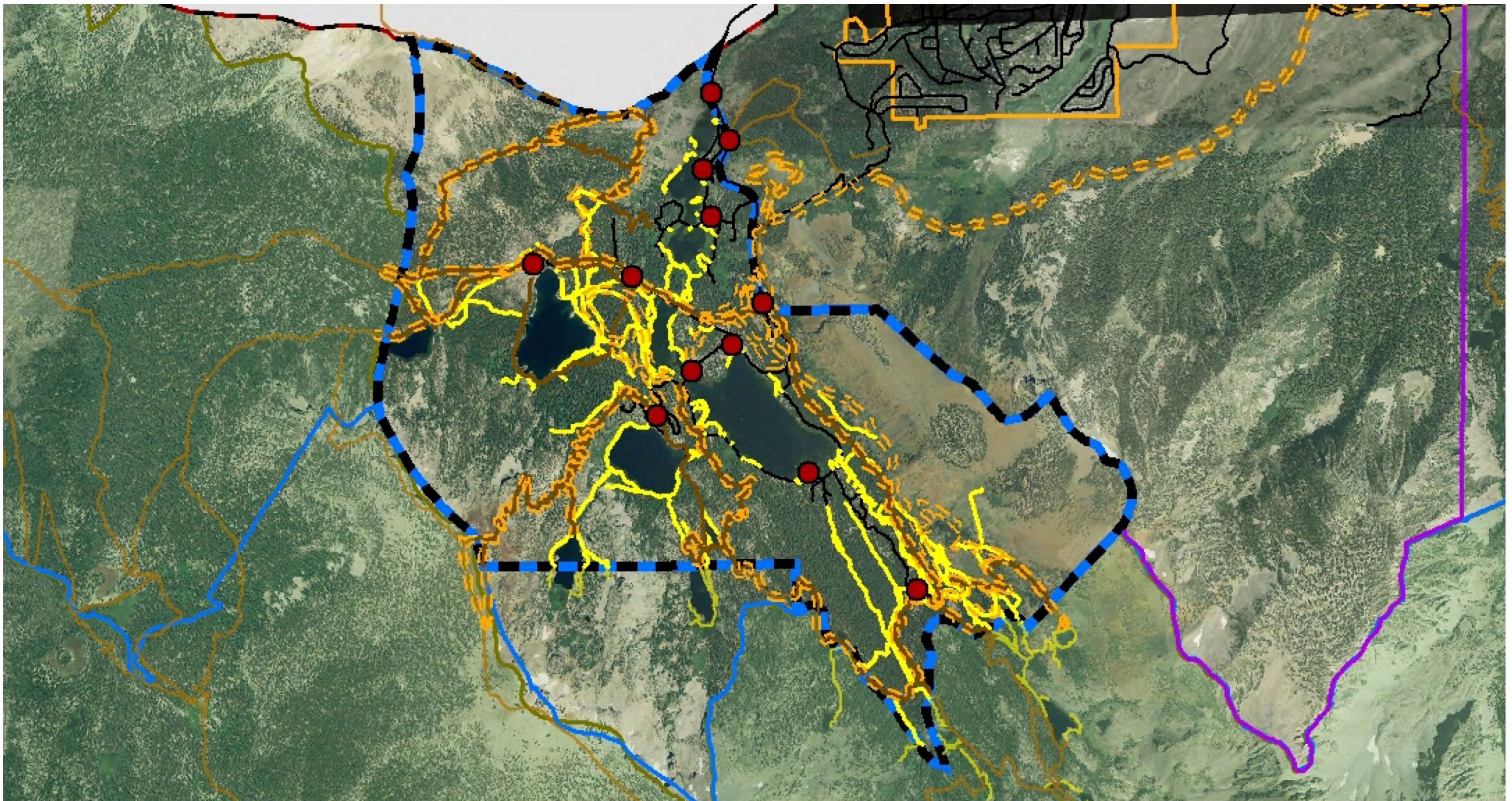




Base Map + INF System Trails



Base Map + INF System Trails + Equestrian Trails



Base Map + INF System Trails + Equestrian Trails + Use Trails

Use Trail - Example



New Trail - Lakes Basin Path





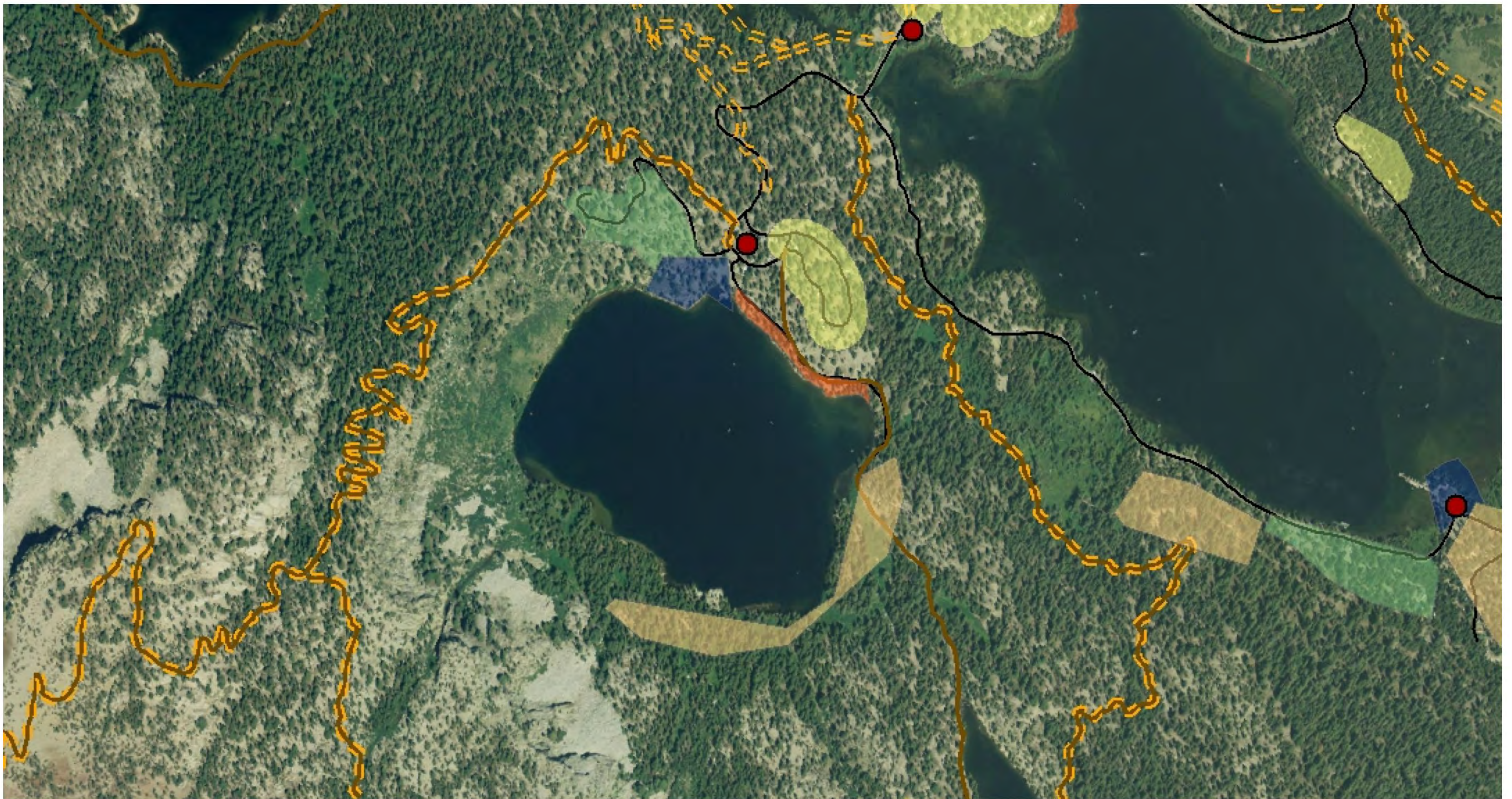
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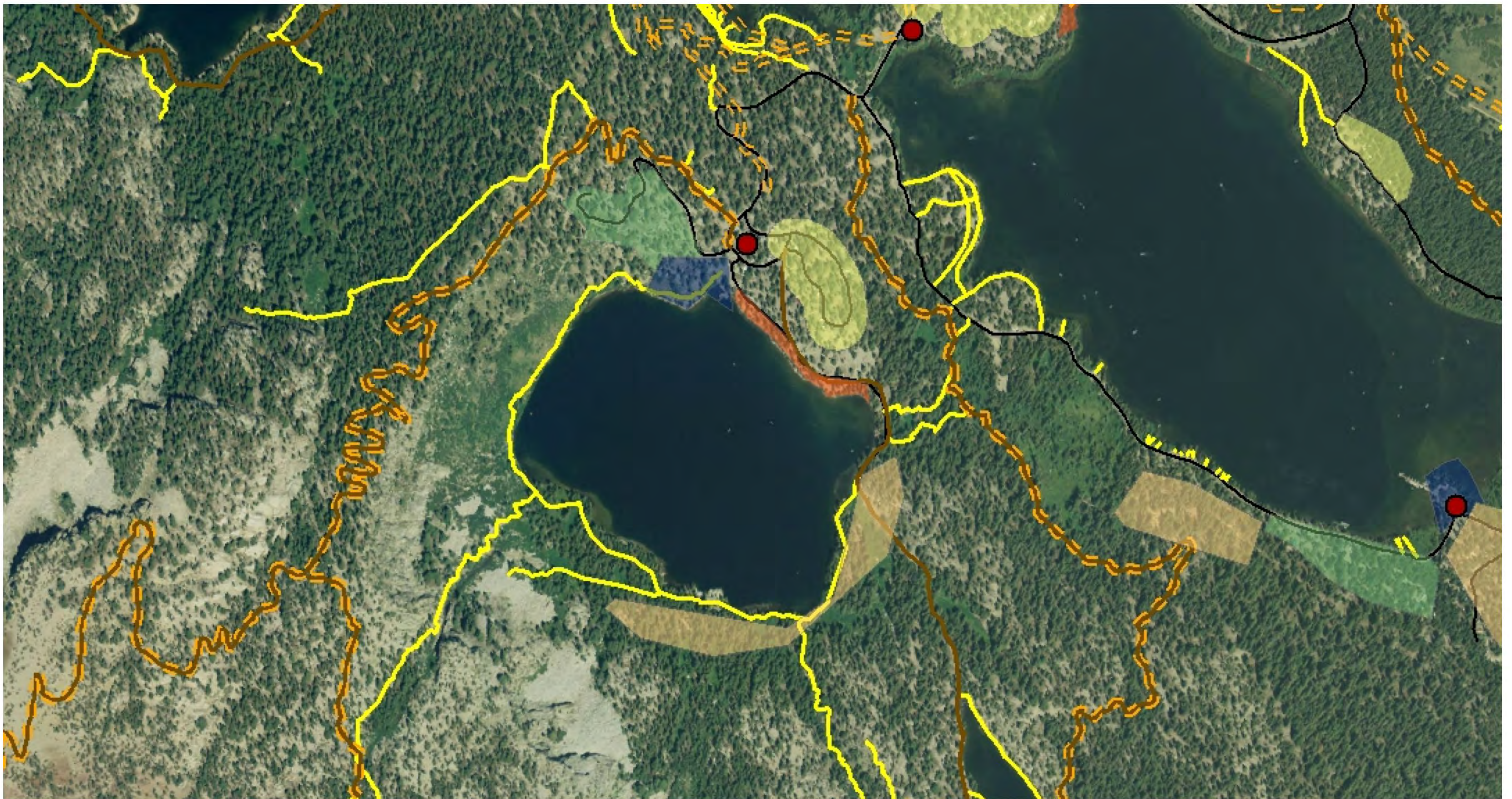
Base Map + Recreation Sites



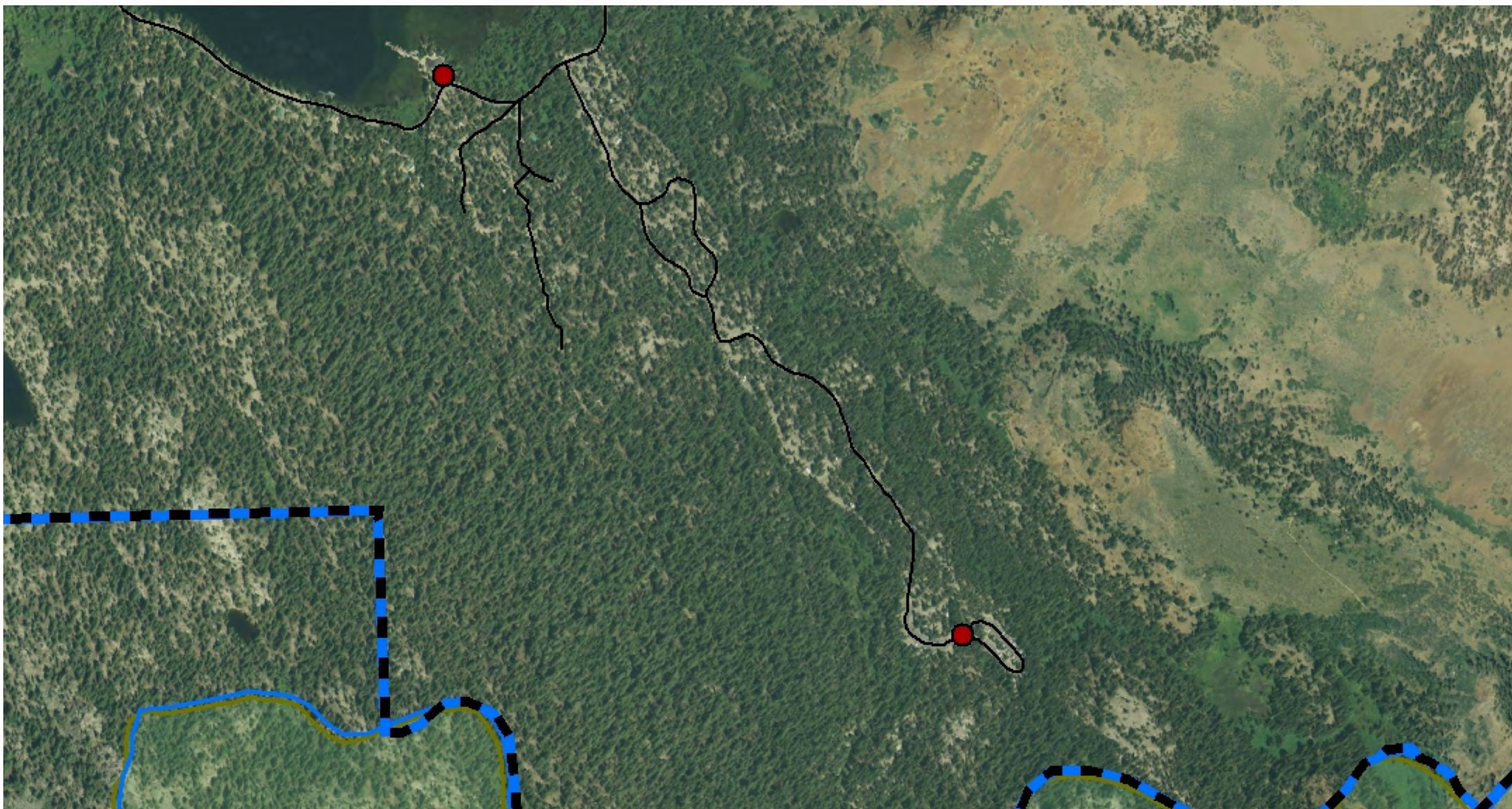
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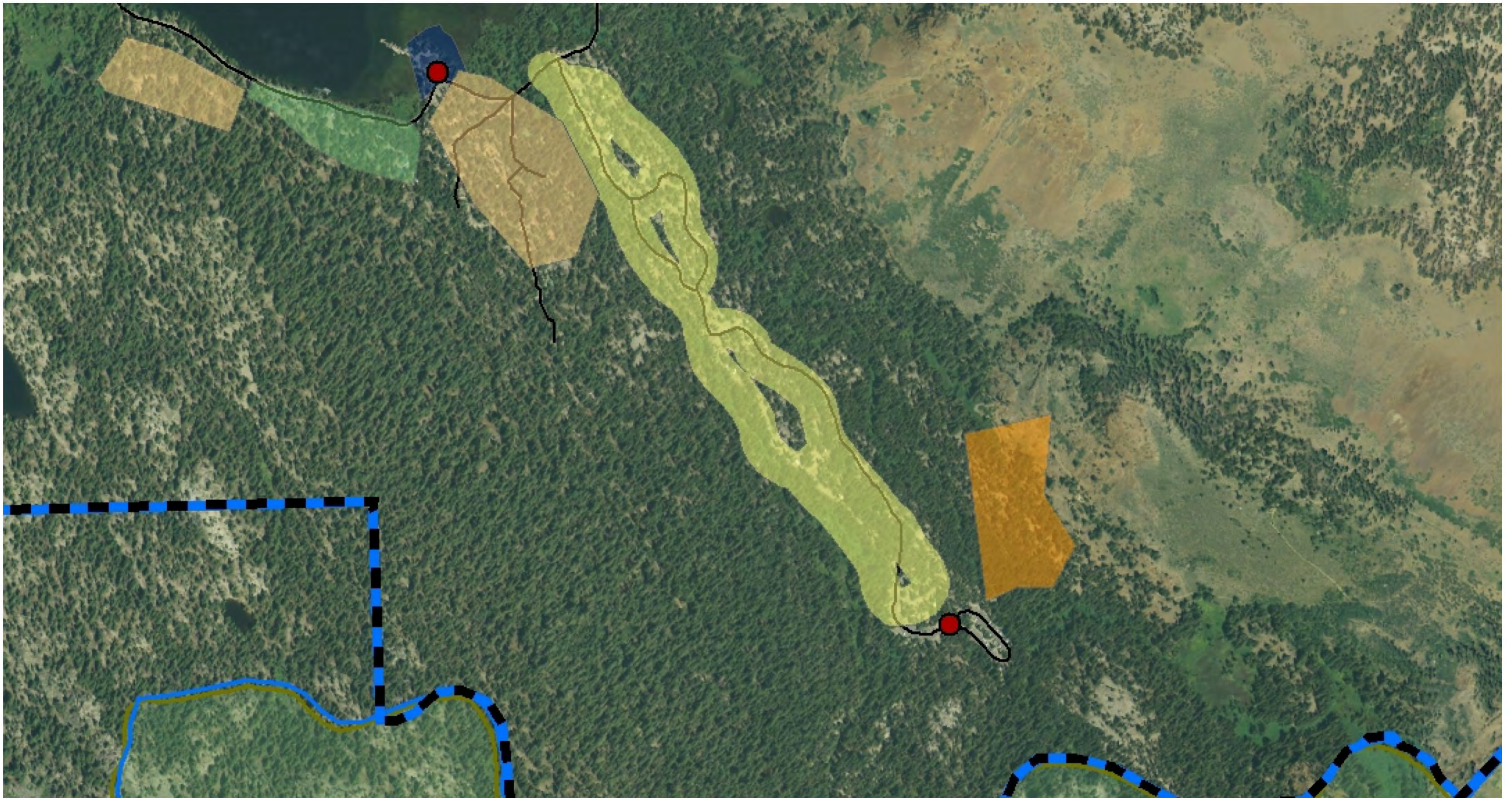
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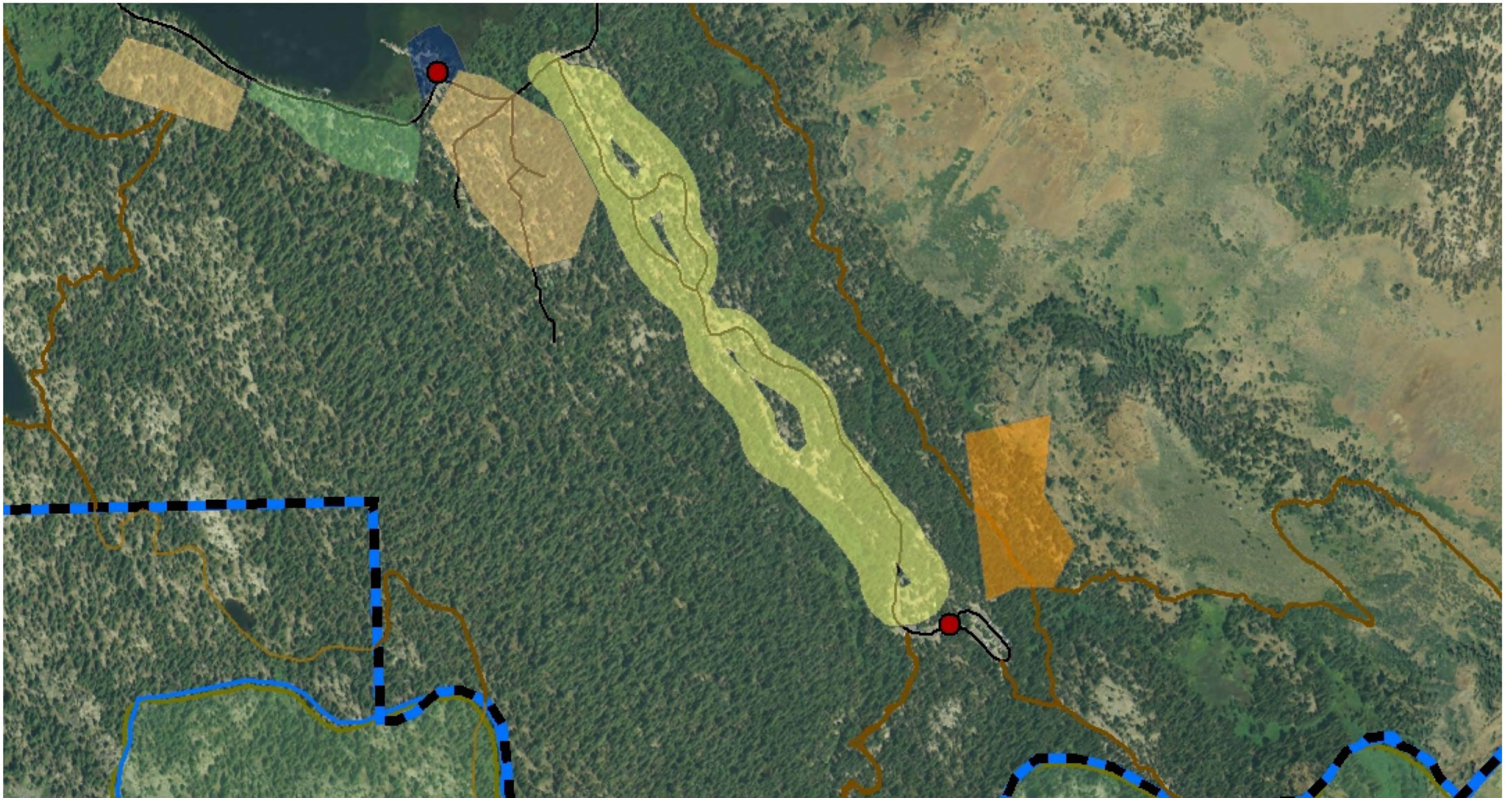
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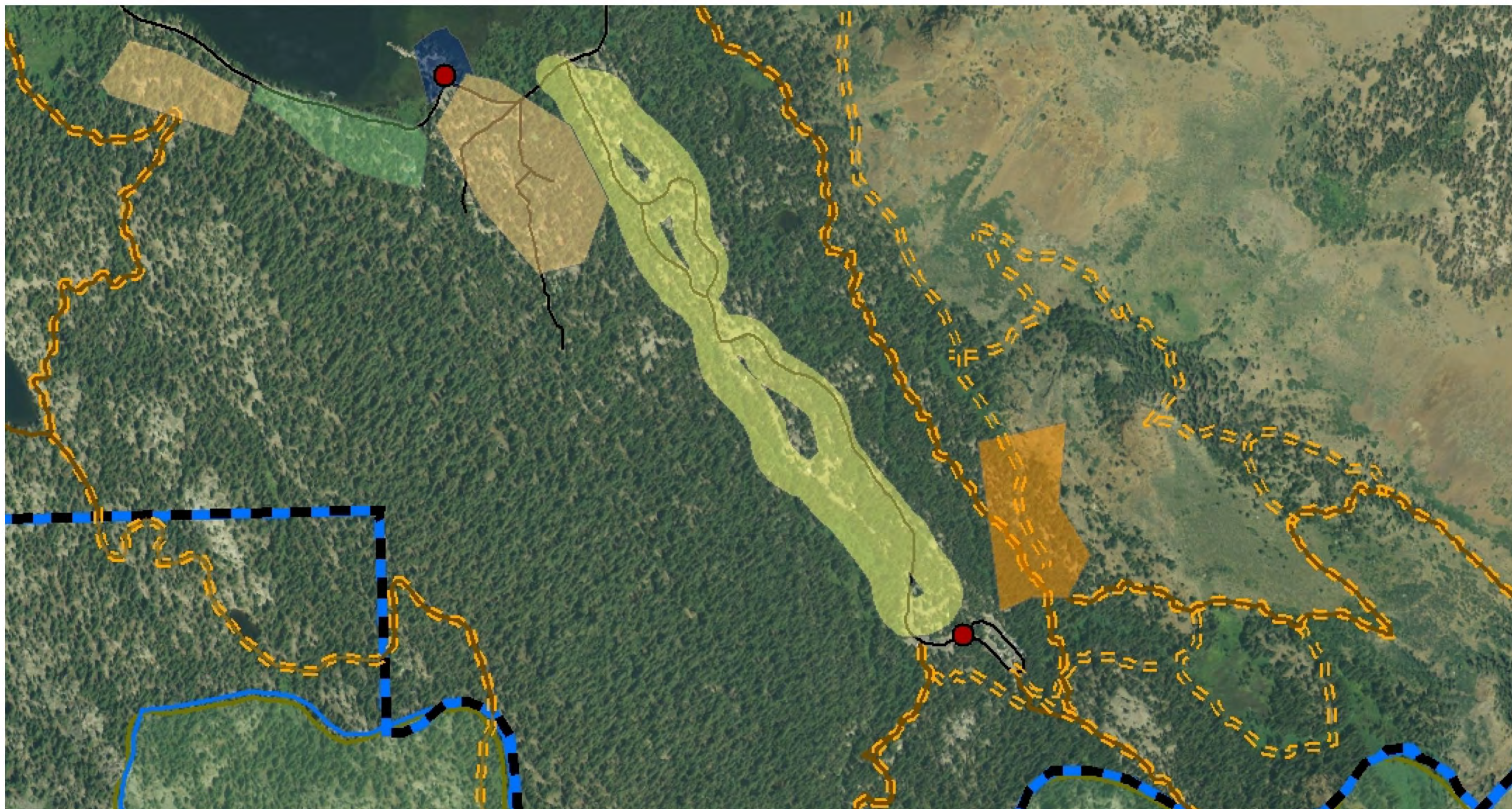
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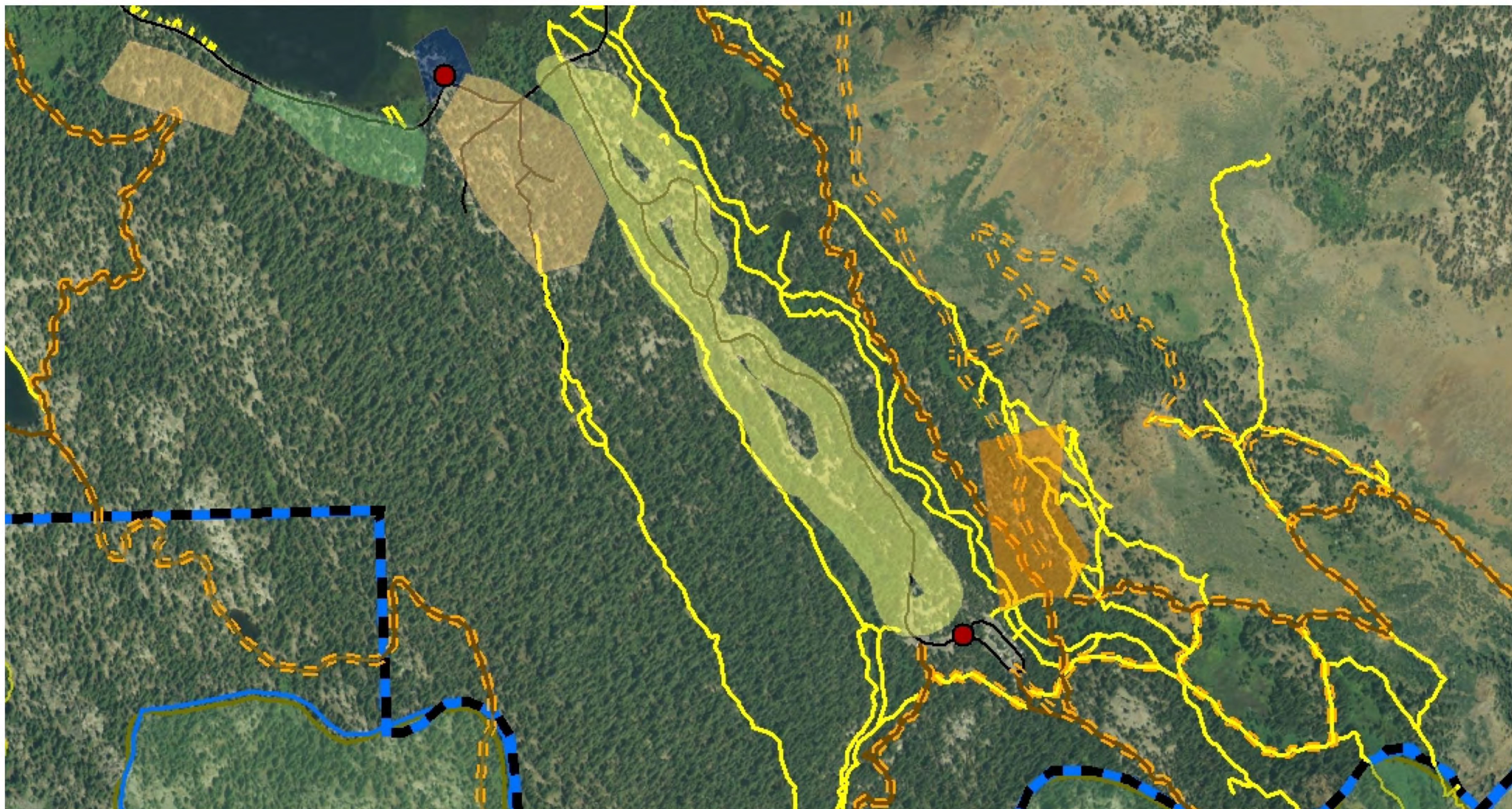
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Enforcement

- Overlapping Jurisdictions = Enforcement Challenges
- Opportunities for “self enforcement”
 - Stay on the Trail
 - Clean up after your dog
- Create a “Culture of Respect”
 - If the situation appears poorly managed, users will respond in kind
- Establish User Etiquette Expectations
- Create Educational Opportunities

Lack of Information: Peer Resources



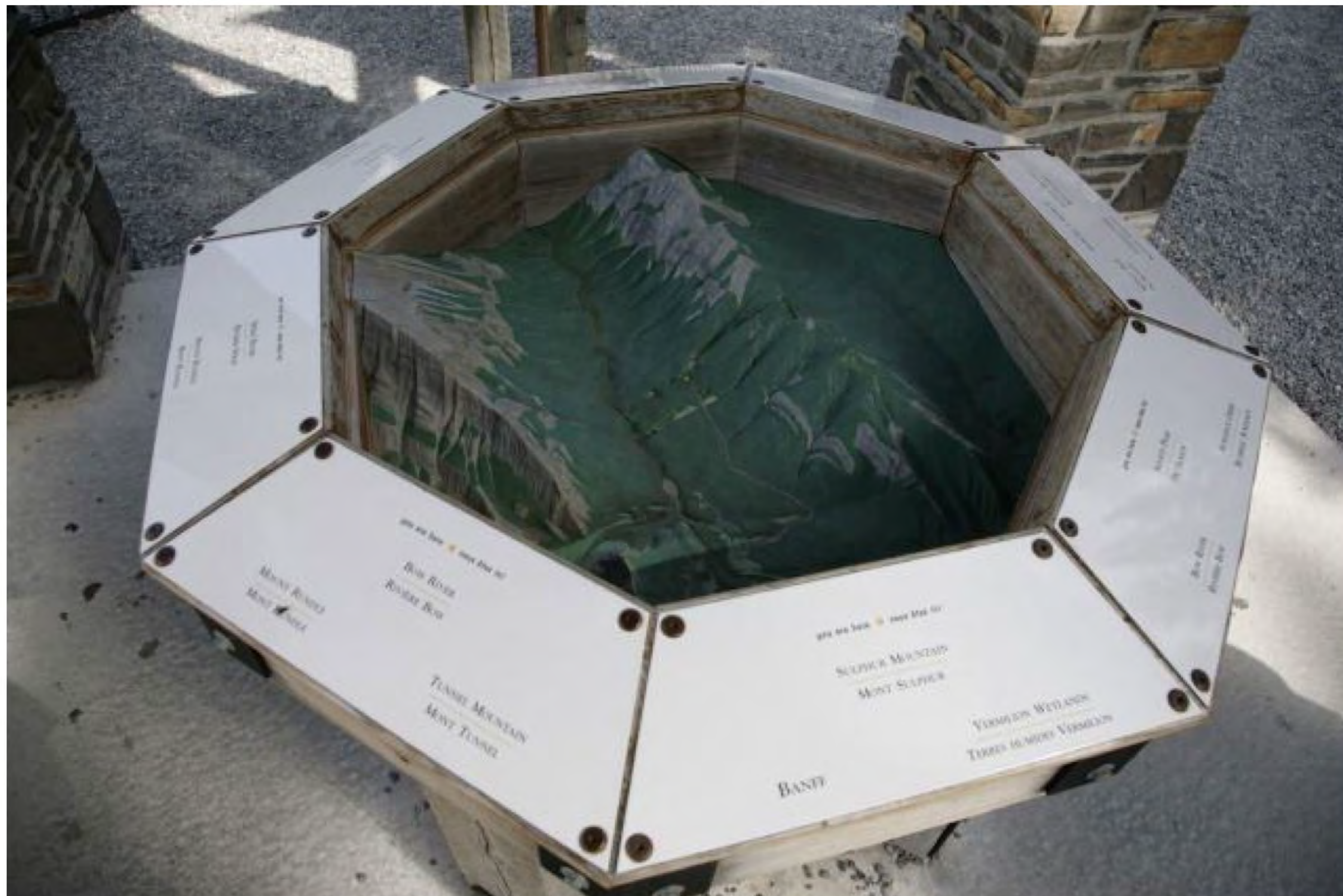
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Infrastructure Not Meeting Demands

- Do we have the right number of things in the right places?



... the right number of bathrooms?



... the right number of bear boxes?



... the right number of dumpsters?



... recycling?



... monofilament collectors?



Watershed Erosion

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Watershed Erosion - Recap

- Issues of Concern
 - Water quality impacts of storm water runoff. Chemical and biological pollution impacts to Lake Mary. Generally correlated with intensity of development and use levels.
 - Quagga Mussel, other invasive species. Spread with recreation boating. Damage / interferes with water system.
 - Water and Wastewater service; can future use levels be supported with existing infrastructure.

Watershed Erosion - Recap

- Issues of Concern (cont.)
 - Safety and Security; wildland fires, vandalism / tampering with facilities.
 - Financial Sustainability; high cost of operations, financial resources for replacement of water/ww infrastructure serving Lakes Basin

Sustainability of Resources

- Number 1 Response to Recreation Survey = “Do Nothing”
- Number 1 Management Challenge = What do “they” mean???

Lack of protection for Historical Resources Opportunity: Banff



Lack of protection for Historical Resources

Opportunity: Sun Valley



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Interagency Cooperation

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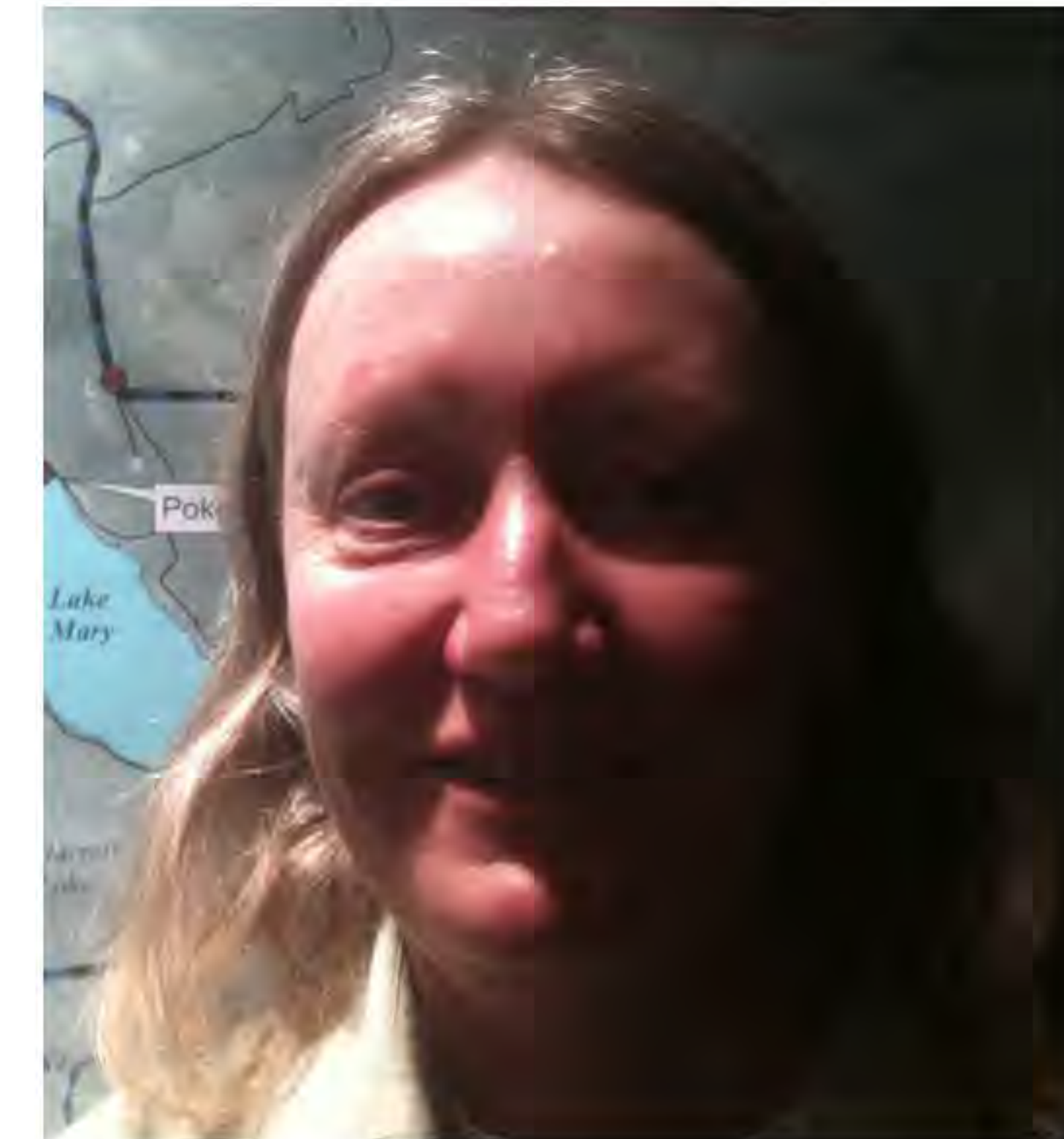
Interagency Cooperation

“...the Chief made special note of the importance of protecting access to national forests, and to letting national forests assist communities in transitioning from commodity-focus to sustainable recreation- and tourism-based communities. He used his home town of Riggins, Idaho, as an example of what can and should occur. He described the community as having a more sustainable and better lifestyle today through recreation than when he grew up in a town dependent on a saw mill and trucking.”

Chief of the Forest Service, Tom Tidwell

Fuels/Fire Danger

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Fuels/Fire Danger Recap

Recent Fire History

- 1987 Laurel Fire
- 1987 Mammoth Fire
- 1992 Rainbow Fire
- 2008 Sherwin Fire



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“Lakes Basin Stakeholder Interviews”

*Carole Lester
Friends of the Inyo
Lakes Basin Steward*

- Friends of the Inyo
Lakes Basin Stewards
- Carole Lester
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- Introduction and Thanks
 - Stan Sholtz at Woods Lodge
 - Don Barrett at Lake Mary Marina
 - John Summers at the Pack Station
 - Roy Moyer at Tamarack
 - Tiffany at Twin Lakes Art Gallery
 - Rebecca at Twin Lakes Store
 - Lou at Pokonobe
 - Pam at Crystal Crag

- Stan Sholtz at Woods Lodge
 - Parking
 - Overcrowding and the problems associated with that forest service presence

- Don Barrett at Lake Mary Marina
 - Bike Path
 - Parking
 - Information Areas

- John Summers at the Pack Station
 - Loop trails
 - Horse Camp
 - Safety of Clients (horses vs. bikes)

- Tiffany at Twin Lakes Art Gallery
 - Speed
 - Crosswalk
 - Signs

- Lou at Pokonobe
 - Parking
 - Trash
 - Fishing Line

- Roy Moyer
 - Public bathrooms
 - Parking
 - Dumpster

- Rebecca at Twin Lakes Store
 - Fishing line containers
 - More information sources

- Pam at Crystal Crag
 - Speed
 - Trolley is great

“Recreation Survey: Data Collection”

Suzy Bibona
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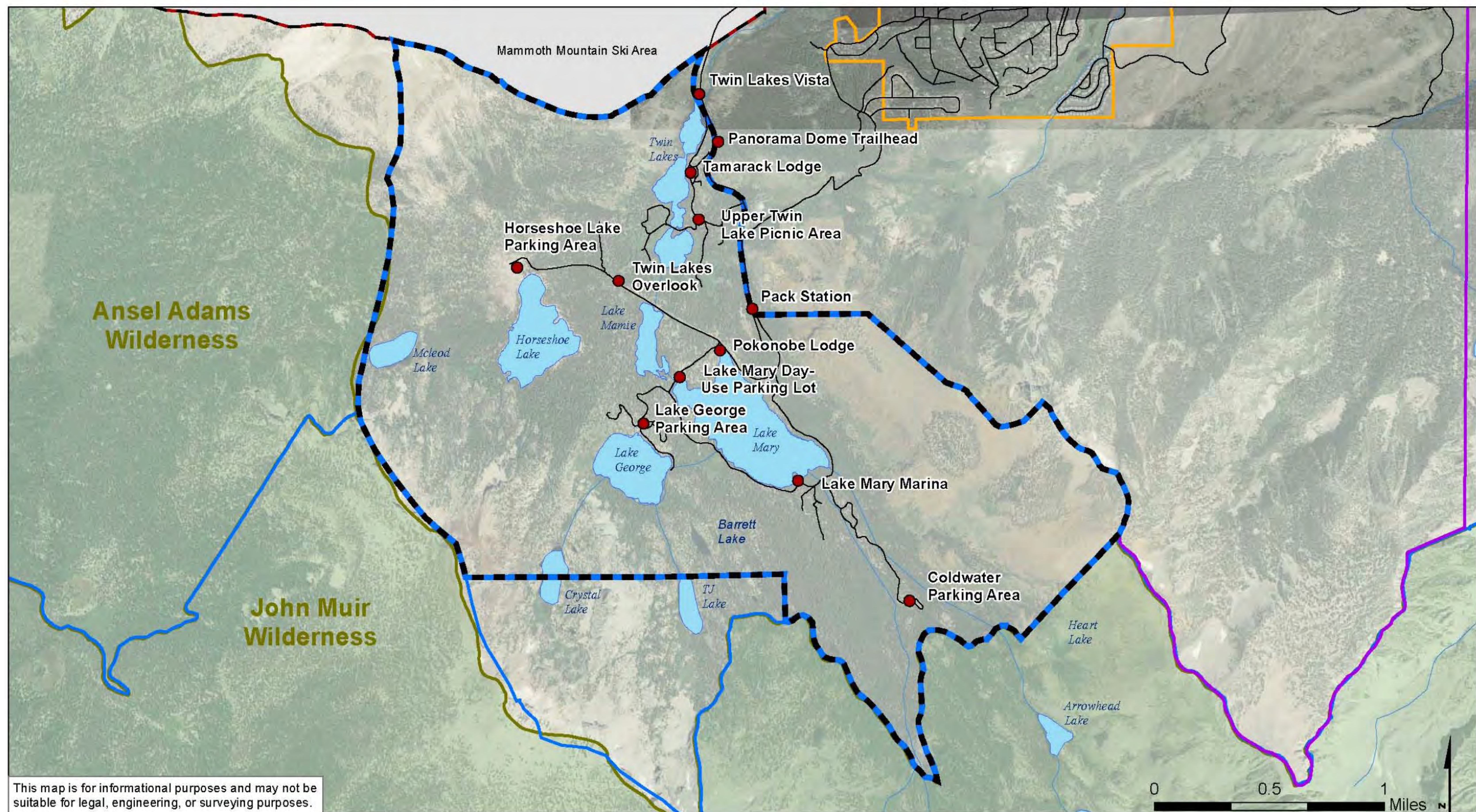


- Who conducted the surveys?
 - Suzy Bibona
 - Carole Lester
 - Chad St. John

- Goals for the process
 - Engage a number of recreationists
 - Gain a representative sample of visitors and their recreational activities
 - Maximize awareness and participation in the LABSS process

- Where the data collection took place
 - Location, Location, Location

Recreation Survey: Map 1.0



This map is for informational purposes and may not be suitable for legal, engineering, or surveying purposes.

Legend

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| ● LABSS Nodes | Lakes | TOML Municipal Boundary |
| LABSS Study Area | — Streams | TOML Planning Area |
| Wilderness | — Centerlines | TOML Urban Limit |

Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS)
Existing Conditions - Study Area, Geography and Jurisdictions
Map 1.0

Map Draft Date 09/27/10

- Where the data collection took place
 - Location, Location, Location

- When the data collection took place
 - Survey Schedule

Recreation Survey: Survey Schedule

Location	Weekday-OR-Weekend/Holiday	8 - 11 AM	11 AM - 2 PM	2 - 5 PM
Coldwater Parking Area	Weekday	31-Aug	25-Aug	30-Aug
Coldwater Parking Area	Weekend/Holiday	21-Aug	6-Sep	29-Aug
Day-use lot at Lake Mary	Weekday	2-Sep	2-Sep	2-Sep
Day-use lot at Lake Mary	Weekend/Holiday	29-Aug	29-Aug	6-Sep
Horseshoe Lake Parking Area	Weekday	30-Aug	30-Aug	26-Aug
Horseshoe Lake Parking Area	Weekend/Holiday	21-Aug	21-Aug	28-Aug
Lake George Parking Area	Weekday	27-Aug	1-Sep	30-Aug
Lake George Parking Area	Weekend/Holiday	5-Sep	21-Aug	29-Aug
Lake Mary Marina	Weekday	31-Aug	3-Sep	1-Sep
Lake Mary Marina	Weekend/Holiday	6-Sep	6-Sep	6-Sep
Pack Station	Weekday	2-Sep	3-Sep	1-Sep
Pack Station	Weekend/Holiday	5-Sep	29-Aug	5-Sep
Pokonobe Lodge Marina	Weekday	2-Sep	2-Sep	2-Sep
Pokonobe Lodge Marina	Weekend/Holiday	29-Aug	4-Sep	4-Sep
Tamarack	Weekday			31-Aug
Tamarack	Weekend/Holiday	6-Sep	6-Sep	29-Aug
Twin Lakes Overlook	Weekday	2-Sep	2-Sep	27-Aug
Twin Lakes Overlook	Weekend/Holiday	5-Sep	5-Sep	21-Aug
Twin Lakes Vista	Weekday	3-Sep	2-Sep	1-Sep
Twin Lakes Vista	Weekend/Holiday	4-Sep	29-Aug	22-Aug
Upper Twin Lake picnic area	Weekday	1-Sep	2-Sep	2-Sep
Upper Twin Lake picnic area	Weekend/Holiday	4-Sep	4-Sep	5-Sep

- Survey Design
 - Specific to Recreation
 - Open-ended questions



Recreation Survey Field Sheet

Field Sheet #:		
Location:	Interviewer Name:	
Date:	E-mail:	
Time:	AM / PM	Phone:

Goal: Interview a wide variety of summer recreationists at selected recreational access points in the Mammoth Lakes Basin to draw out common themes in their experiences that will inform a "current conditions" analysis and a collaborative planning process.

Interviewer Script

Hello. My name is _____ and I would like to talk to you about your experience here in the Mammoth Lakes Basin. Do you have a couple minutes to talk? I work (volunteer) for Friends of the Inyo--we're a local nonprofit that's helping the Forest Service and the Town with the Lakes Basin Special Study, which is a planning effort going on here. What you tell me about your time here will help them improve the experience for the hundreds of thousands of visitors to the Lakes Basin each summer. I have a few questions to ask, and I'll take notes with your answers. You can also visit the website on this card [HANDOUT] to answer questions and to find out more about Lakes Basin planning.

1. Where did you start your visit to the Lakes Basin today? (Here in the Lakes Basin/Town/Out of the area?)
2. How many people are you with today?
3. How did you get to the Lakes Basin?
4. Why did you decide to (drive/bike/walk/take public transit) today?



5. Did you find (parking/transit information/bike racks) easily?
6. What could make getting to the Lakes Basin easier and/or better?
7. What activities are you doing here today?
8. Where are you going? (OR) Where have you been?
9. Once you arrived in the Lakes Basin, did you find your way around all right?
10. What two things do you like most about visiting the Mammoth Lakes Basin?
11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

Thanks! Do you have any questions? I appreciate you taking the time to help us and to help the Lakes Basin!

FIELD NOTES:

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“Recreation Survey: Data Development”

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Mammoth Lakes Trail and Public Access



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Recreation Survey: Data Development

Recreation Survey Field Sheet

Field Sheet #: 92	
Location: TL Vista	Interviewer Name: Candee
Date: 9/4	E-mail:
Time: 8-11	AM / PM Phone:

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Brown's Campground

2. How many people are you with today?

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3. How did you get to the Lakes Basin?

drive

4. Why did you decide to (drive/bike/walk/take public transit) today?

b/c we are staying out of town

5. Did you find (parking/transit information/bike racks) easily?

yes

6. What could make getting to the Lakes Basin easier and/or better?

nothing

7. What activities are you doing here today?

biking

8. Where are you going? (OR) Where have you been?

Panorama dome trail + Mammoth Rock trail
mt-biking

9. Once you arrived in the Lakes Basin, did you find your way around all right?

yes, been coming for years
but the bike trail to mammoth rock needs better signage

10. What two things do you like most about visiting the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

variety of activities
beauty

11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

more specific maps w/ bike trails
which ones are free/which have fees

Thanks! Do you have any questions? I appreciate you taking the time to help us and to help the Lakes Basin!

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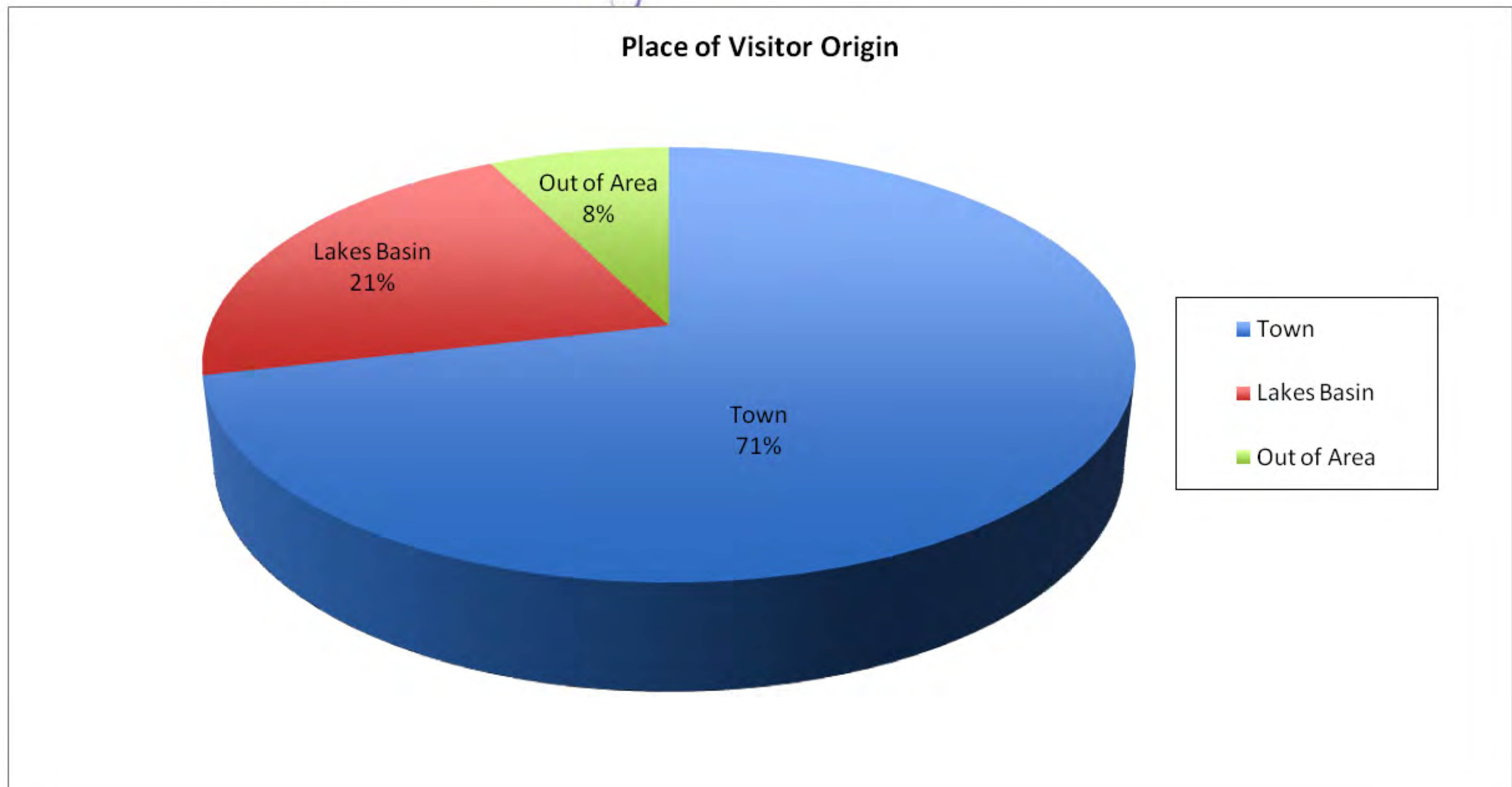
Recreation Survey: Data Development

A1 fx Master Recreation Survey Response Data											
	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
	Question			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Node	Date	Time	Origin	# in party	Mode	Why Mode	Ease of Mod	Mode Improvements	Activity	Destination
1	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Town	8	Trolley	fun	very easy	windows on trolley	Bike	Town via bike patl
2	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Town	5	Car	biking	easy	road and trail are not	Bike	Horseshoe Lake
3	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Village	4	Car	convenient	easy	fine, bike trail is great	Hike	Crystal Lake
4	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Village	4	Car	lack of knowledge	easy	more signage	Hike	McLeod Lake
5	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Town	2	Car	dogs	easy	nothing	Hike	McLeod Lake
6	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Village	3	Car	convenient	easy	don't know	Hike	McLeod Lake
7	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Village	4	Car		easy	more info	Hike	McLeod Lake
8	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		1 Village	4	Car	convenient	easy	don't know	Hike	McLeod Lake
9	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		2 Village	2	Car	convenient	easy	trail info	Hike	McLeod Lake
10	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		2 Town	5	Car	convenient	easy	better info on lakes	Hike	Red's
11	Horseshoe Lak	8/21/2010		2 Pine City CG	6	Car	convenient	easy	don't know	Hike	Red's
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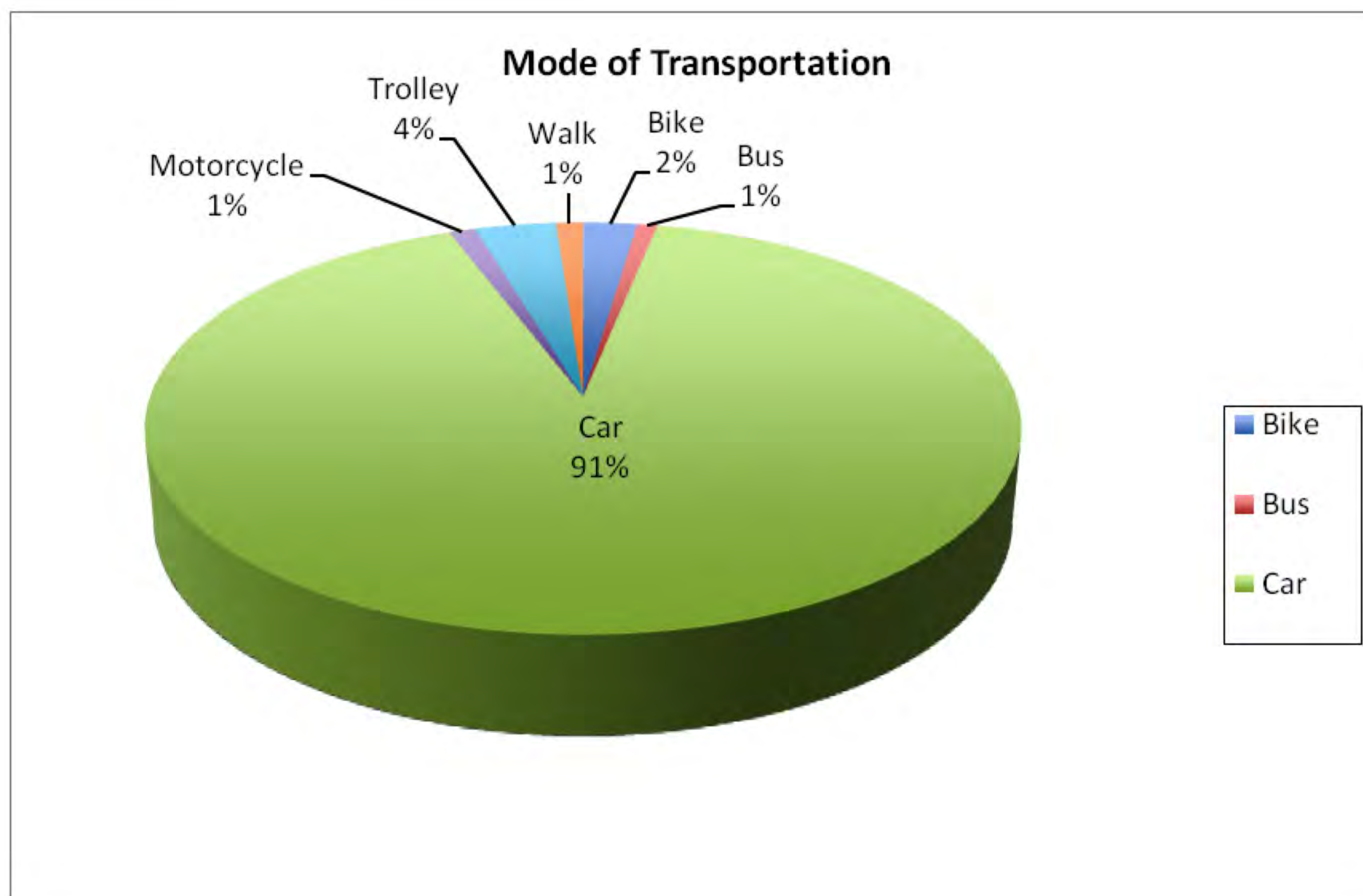
2. How many people are you with today?

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- Responses Ranged From 1 to 45
- Average number **2.1**

3. How did you get to the Lakes Basin?

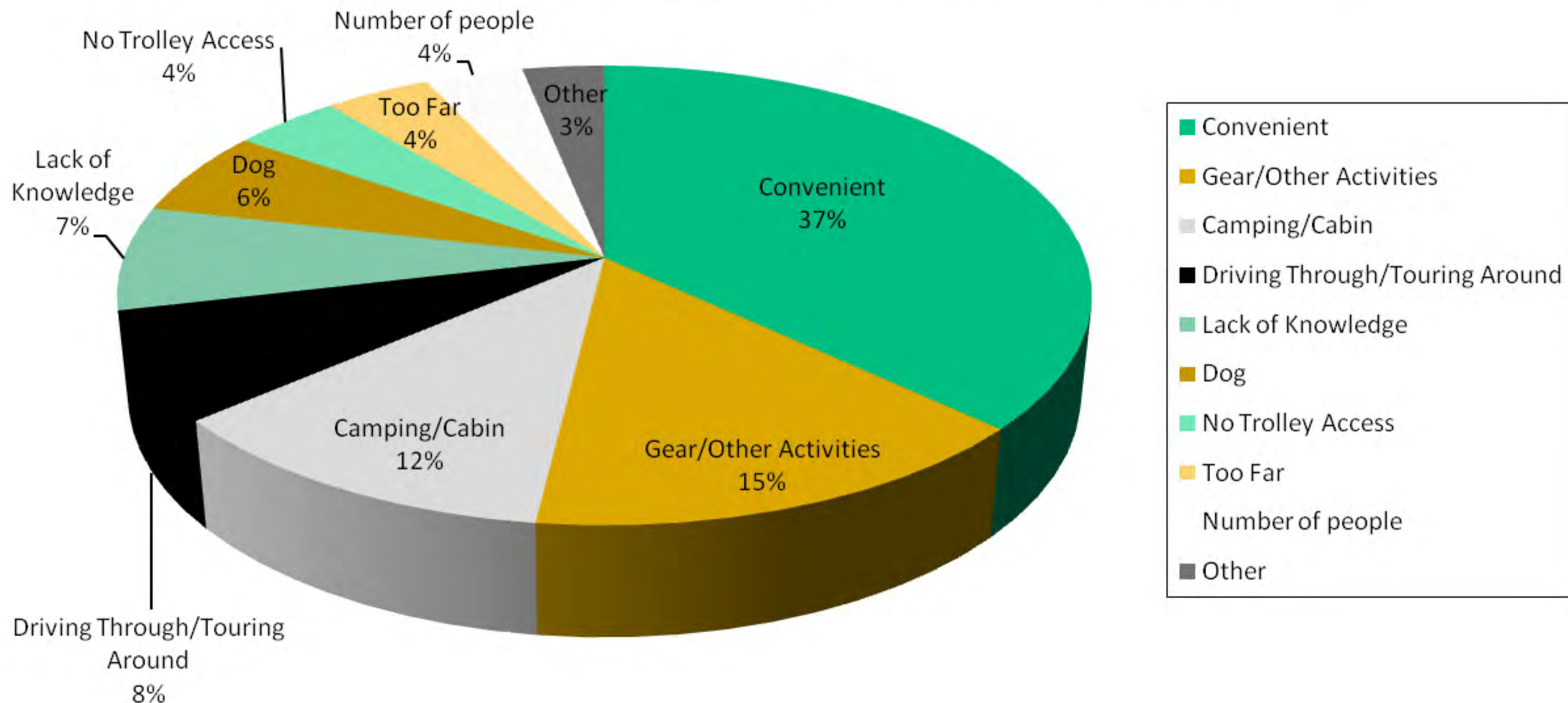
drove



4. Why did you decide to (drive/bike/walk/take public transit) today?

b/c we are staying out of town

Top 10 Reasons Why People Chose A Particular Transportation Mode



A look at categorizing responses and finding themes:

4									
Why Mode									
fun	already biked earl	Too far		kayak launch	convenient/dog	lack of kno	no reason	number of c	
biking	convenient	exercise	limited time		boat launch	camping	lack of kno	fun to ride c	
convenient	early	convenient/dog		lack of know	convenient	touring Bas	convenient	lack of kno	
lack of knowledge	convenience	lack of knowledg	kayak launch	handicap	road trip	convenient	convenient	waited for c	
dogs	fishing gear	dog		camping	convenient	camping	convenient	came from c	
convenient	convenient/dog	convenient	exercise	camping		convenient	convenient	convenient	
	convenient	proximity	rented a var	camping	convenient	convenient	camping	gear and k	
convenient	number of people	in party	scenery	camping	convenient	convenient	driving through		
convenient	dog		camping in L	camping	need car for other ac	came from multiple de	kayak launch		
convenient	convenient	proximity	need car for	camping	camping	lack of kno	convenient	strollers/big	
convenient	convenient	Too far	need car for	camping	fishing gear	convenient	convenient	staying at c	
convenient	dog	number of people	from out of t	convenient	convenient/fishing ma	dogs	convenient	no trolley	
need car for othe	convenient	convenient	sightseeing	convenient/f	float tube	free and e	camping	came from c	
need car for othe	no reason	first time	art supplies/	convenient	staying at Tamarack	convenient	time const	lack of kno	
easier than biking	backpacking	Too far	bike/dog	camping	convenient	dogs	lack of kno	convenient	
convenient	hiking to Duck	dog	driving aroun	camping	convenient	horse trail	close	convenient	
convenient	Trolley is a pain f	Too far	sightseeing	big group an	camping	lack of kno	convenient	big group c	
convenient	hiking	convenient	convenient	camping	lots of stuff	hiking to P	convenient	convenient	
wanted to ride m	Too far	camping at Twin	convenient	lack of know	lack of knowledge	easy, free	convenient	many dest	
fun/exercise	running group	Too far	wanted to drive converti	convenient		dogs	gear and k	convenient	
convenient	Too far	tradition	staying in ca	camping	convenient with fishi	convenient	touring arc	convenient	
convenient	Hungover	limited time	convenient	driving throu	lack of knowledge	convenient	float tube	convenient	
convenient	convenient	exercise	wanted to c	camping	convenient	convenient	exercise	convenient	
convenient	Too far	love biking	convenient		dogs	dog	sightseeing	convenient	
dogs	lack of knowledge	visit the basin	convenient		convenient	time const	touring arc	camping	
convenient/dog	time constraints	kayak launch	big group an	camping	exploring, didn't know	convenient	convenient	lack of kno	
convenient	Too far	fishing gear	lack of know	convenient	staying at campgrou	big group/l	dogs	gear	

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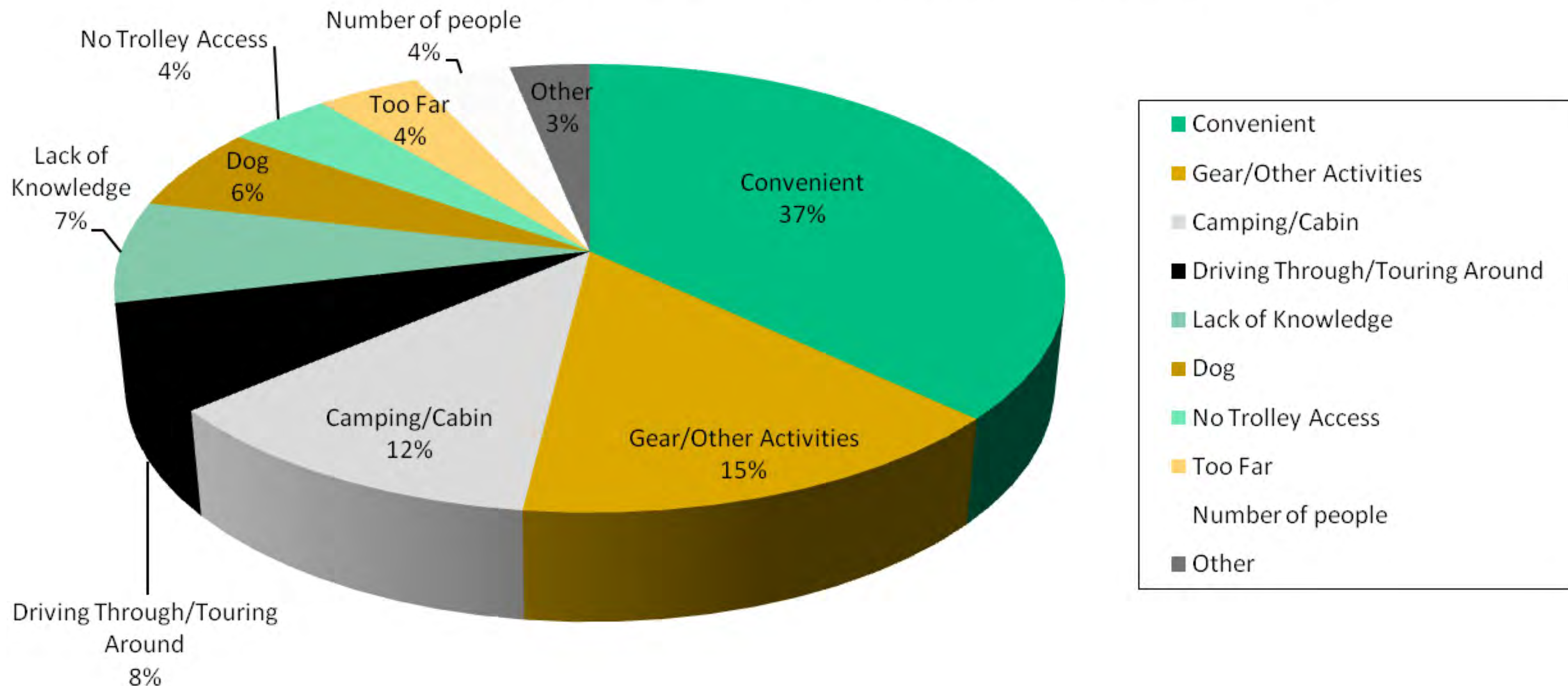
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14	13	convenient	lots of stuff	camping	touring	lack of knowledge	dogs	wanted to come up Old Mamm
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4. Why did you decide to (drive/bike/walk/take public transit) today?

b/c we are staying out of town

Top 10 Reasons Why People Chose A Particular Transportation Mode



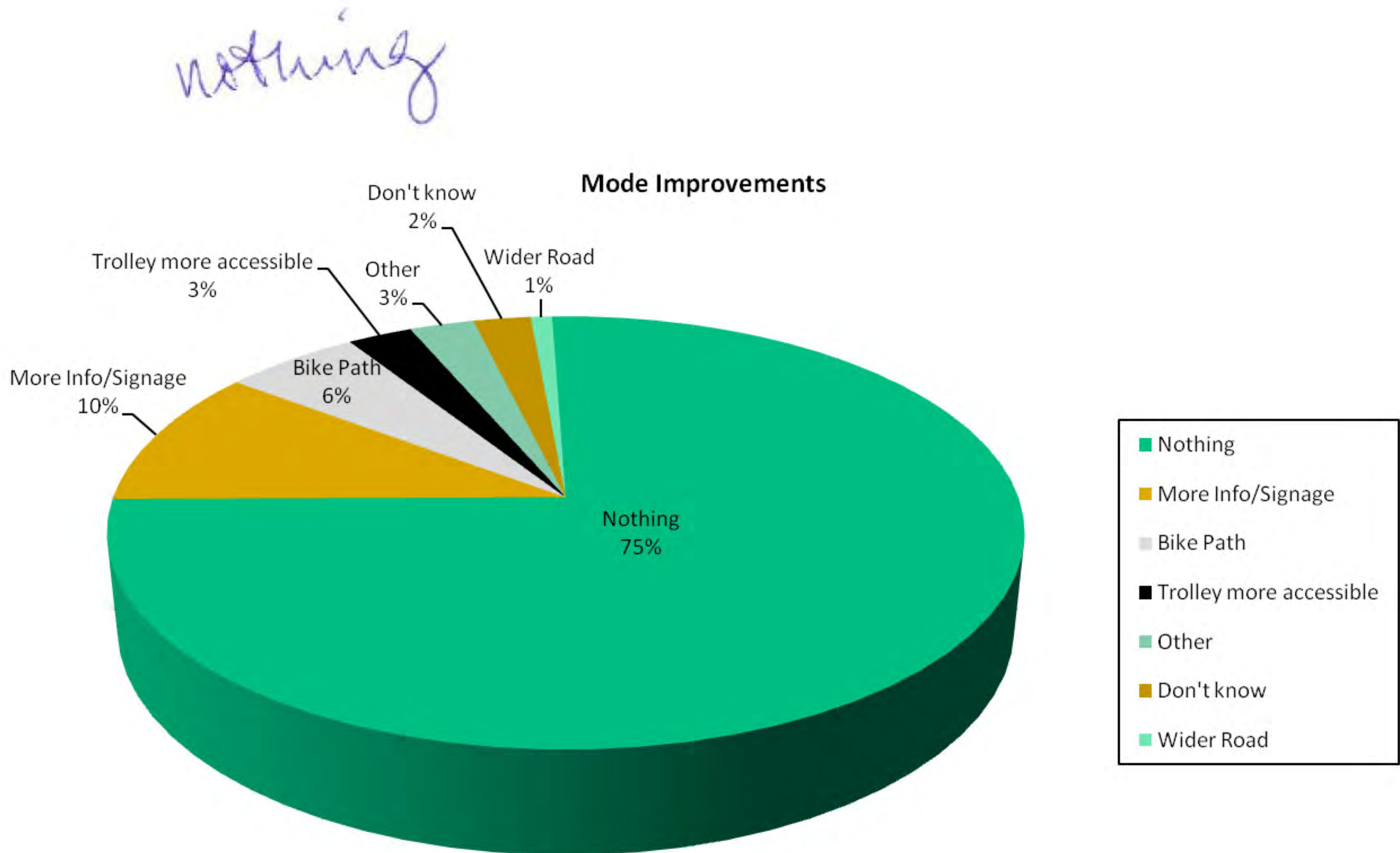
5. Did you find (parking/transit information/bike racks) easily?

yes

97% Said they found their mode of transportation easy

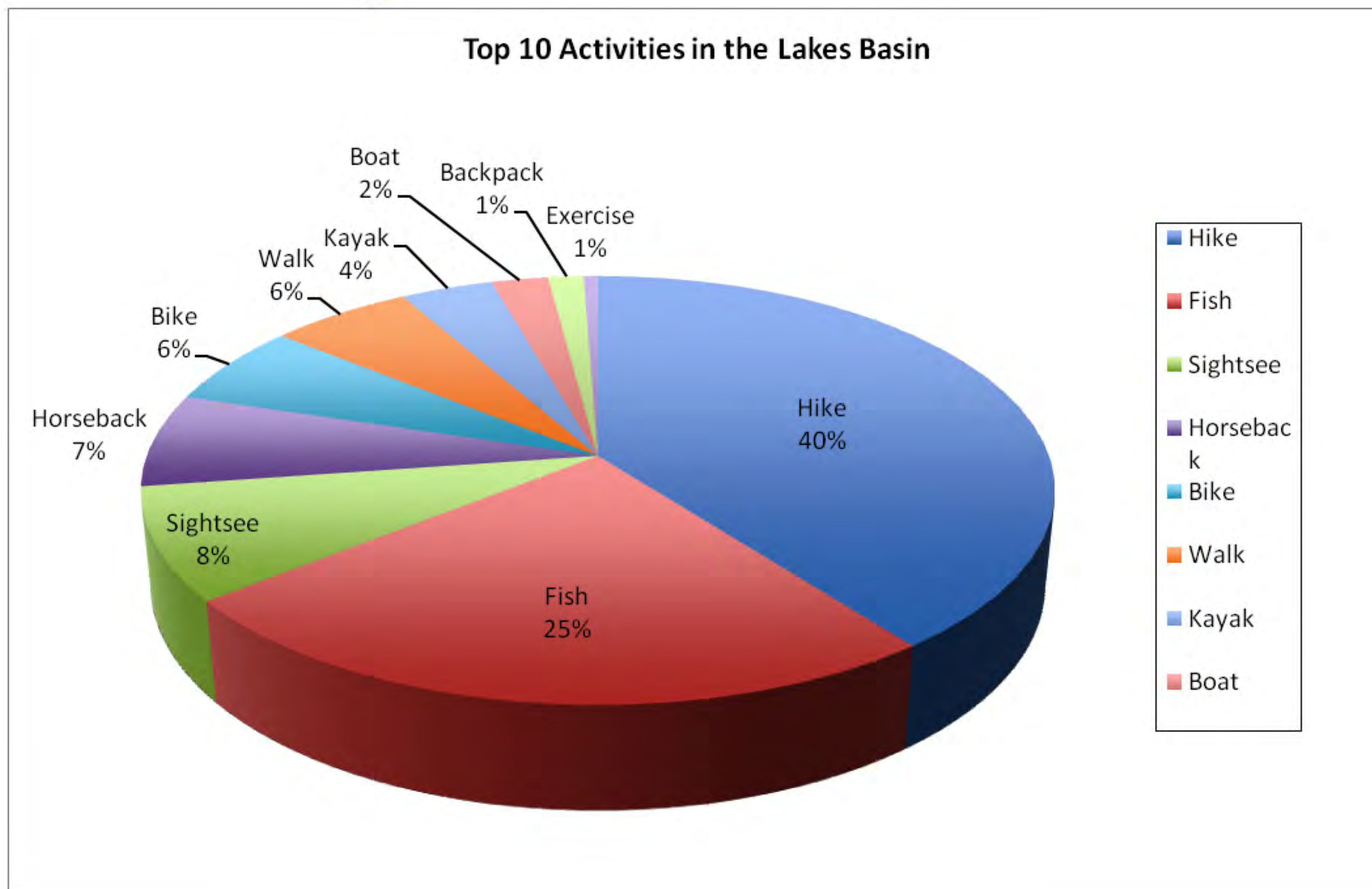
- Parking: “had to circle a lot” and “parked on dirt”
- Lack of Bicycle Racks: “no bike racks”
- Transit Information: “transit info hard to find”

6. What could make getting to the Lakes Basin easier and/or better?



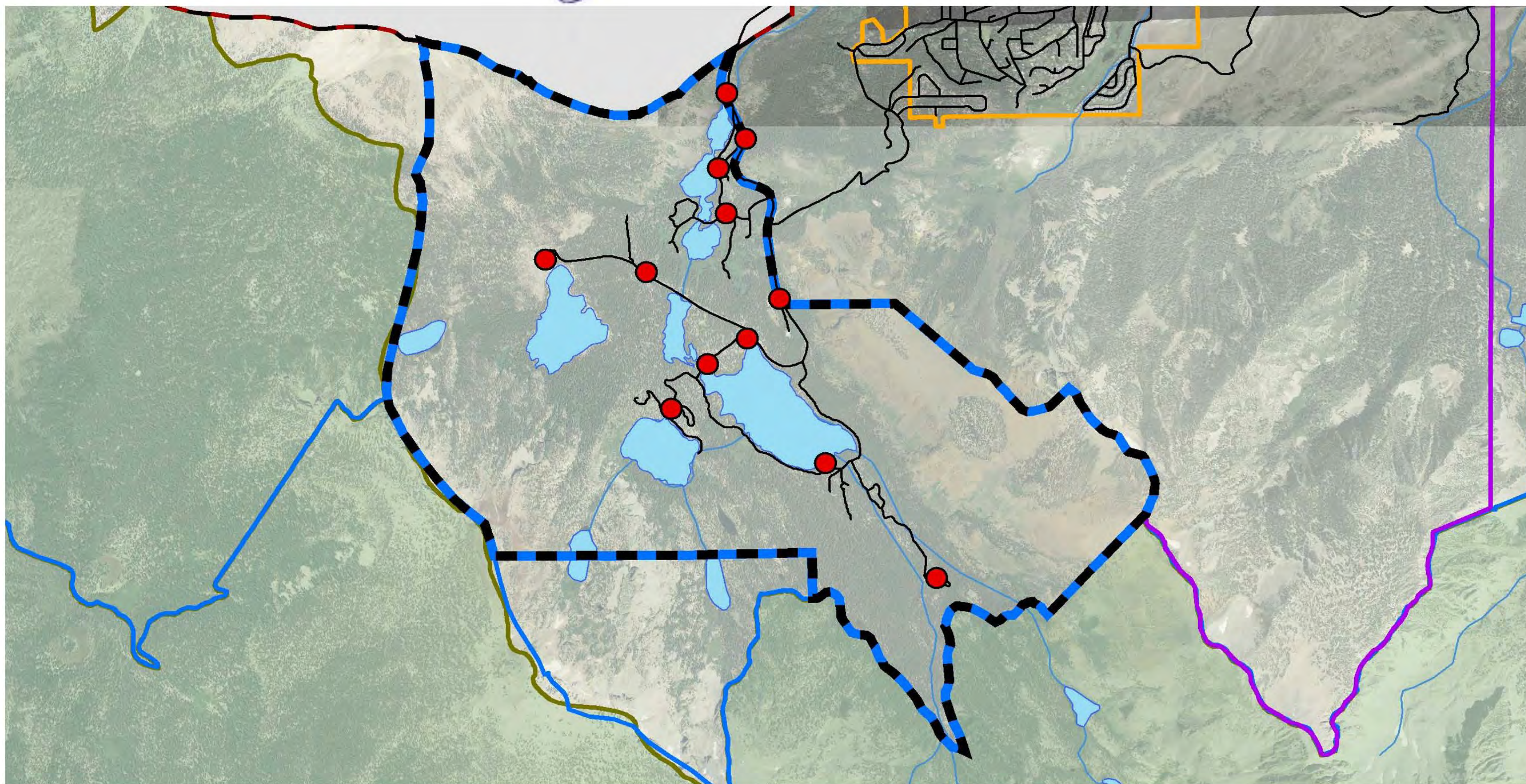
7. What activities are you doing here today?

biking



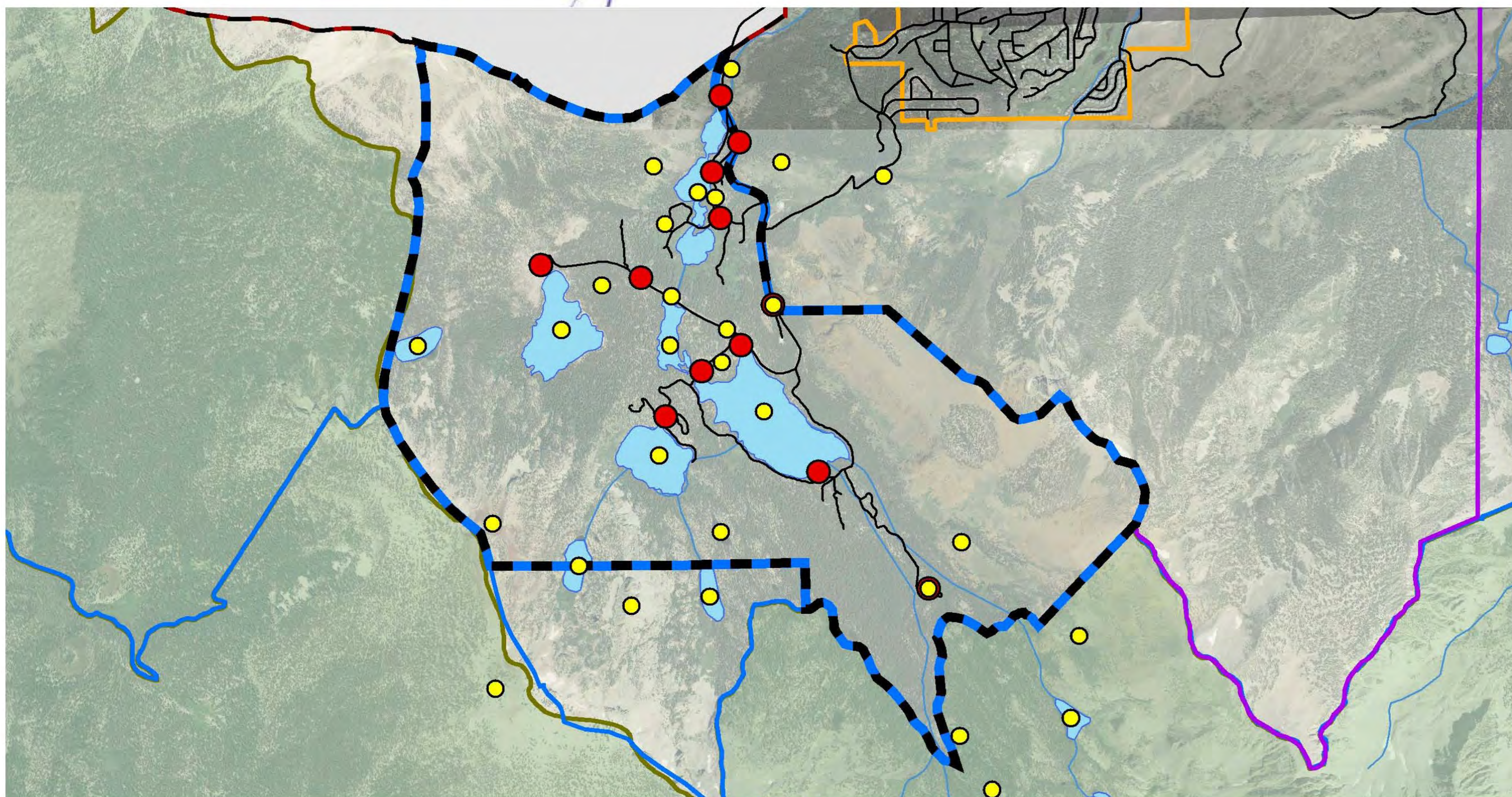
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*Panorama dome trail + Mammoth Rock trail
mt. biking*



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9. Once you arrived in the Lakes Basin, did you find your way around all right?

*yes, been coming for years
but the bike trail to mammoth rock needs better signage*

94% Said "Yes"

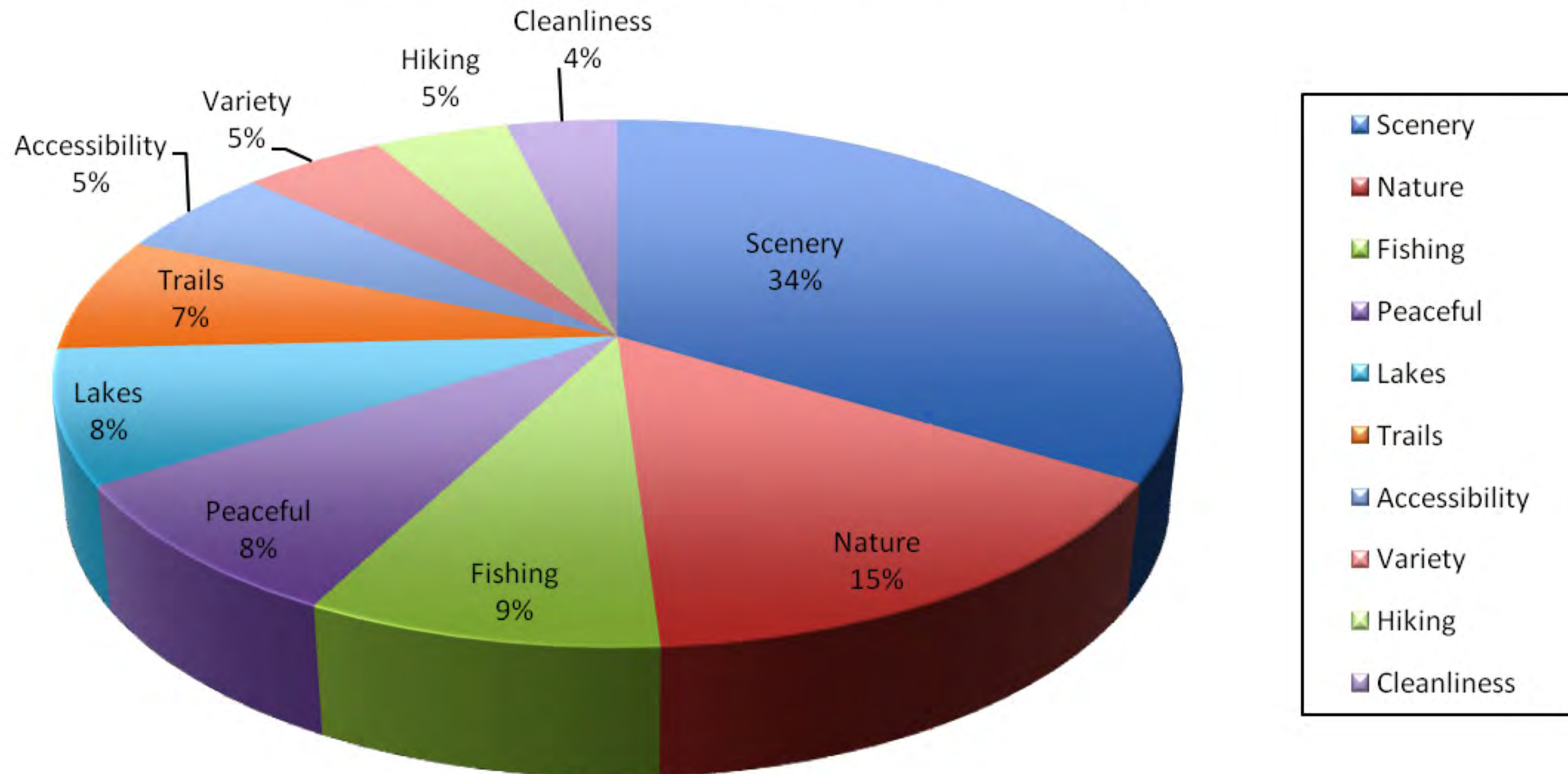
Other Answers were:

- "More Signage is Needed"
- "Need Maps of the Lakes Basin"

10. What two things do you like most about visiting the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

variety of activities
beauty

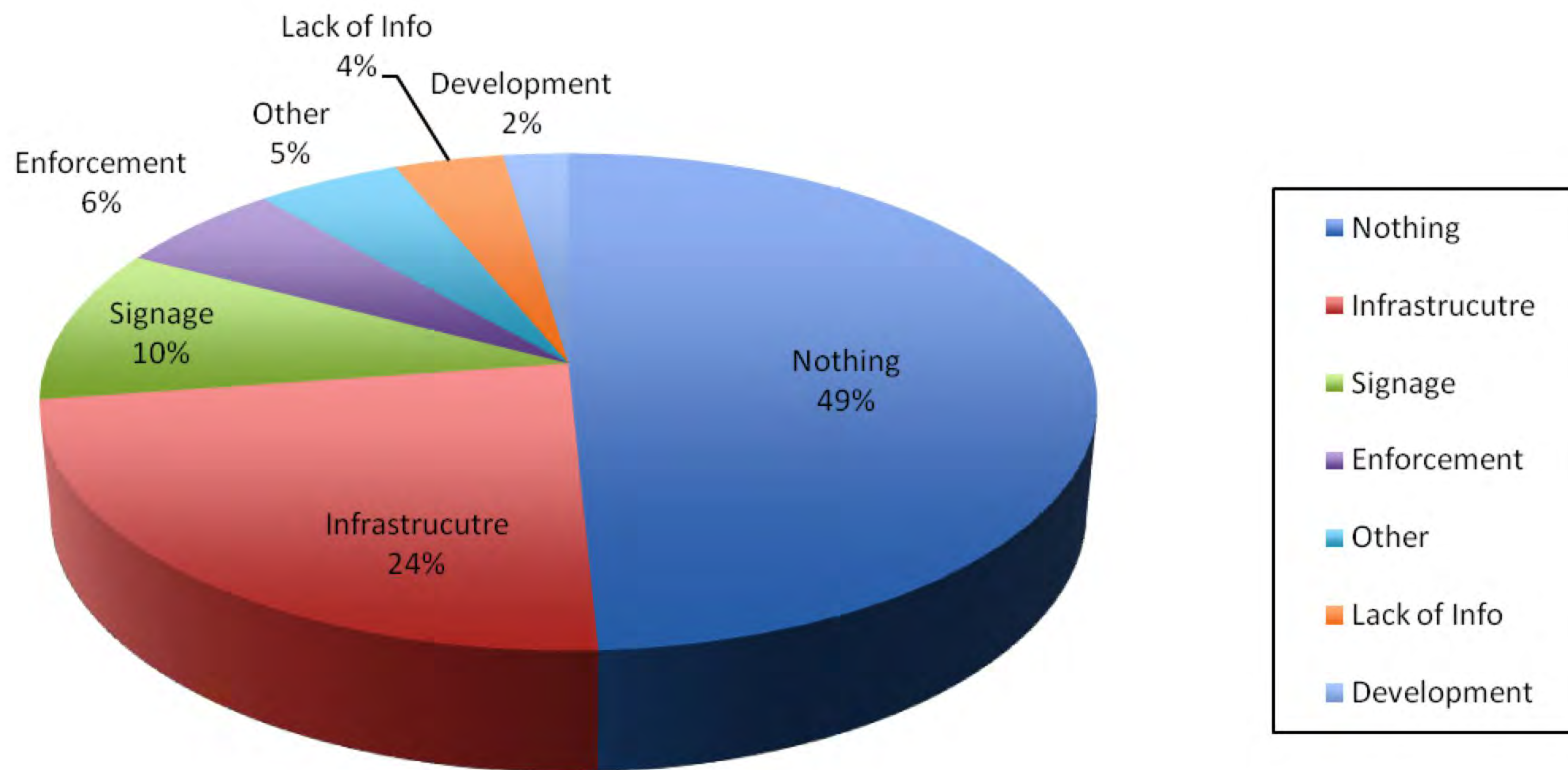
Top 10 Things People Like Most About the Lakes Basin



11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

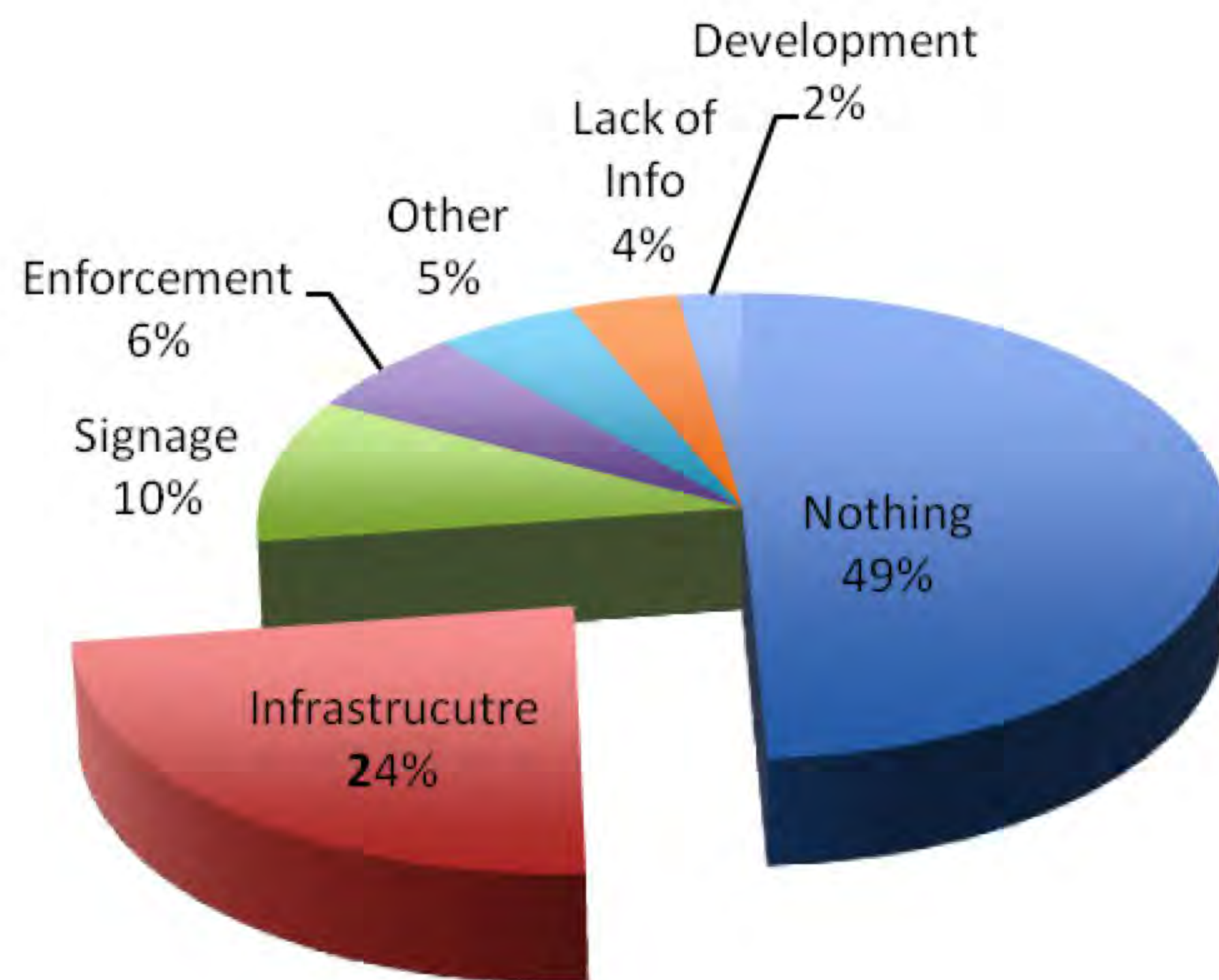
*more specific maps w/ bike trails
which ones are free/which have fees*

Things People Would Change



11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

Infrastructure

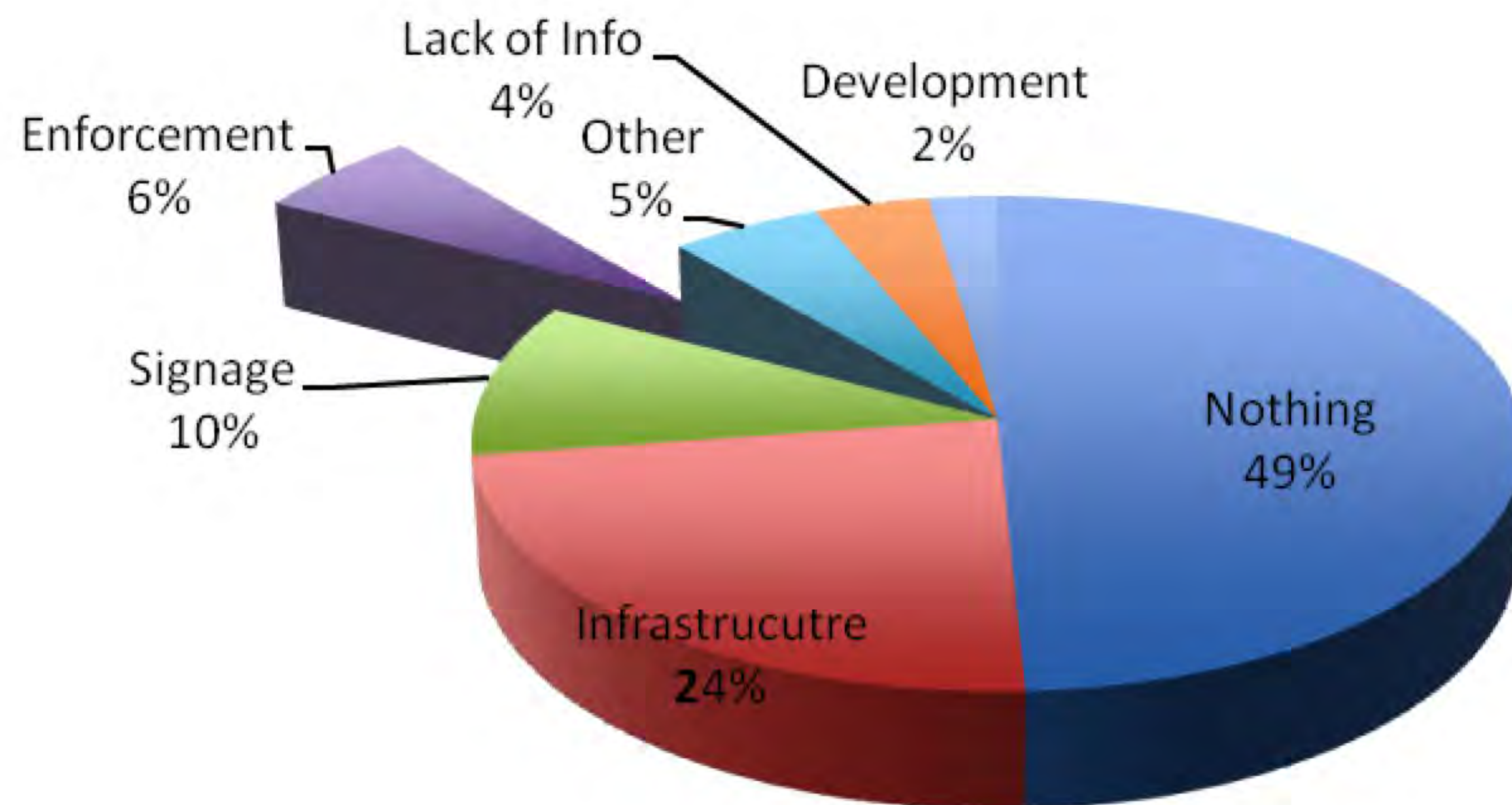


- Campgrounds
- Showers
- Amenities
- Less People
- Parking
- Transit
- Fishing
- Picnic Areas
- Bike Trails

11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

Enforcement

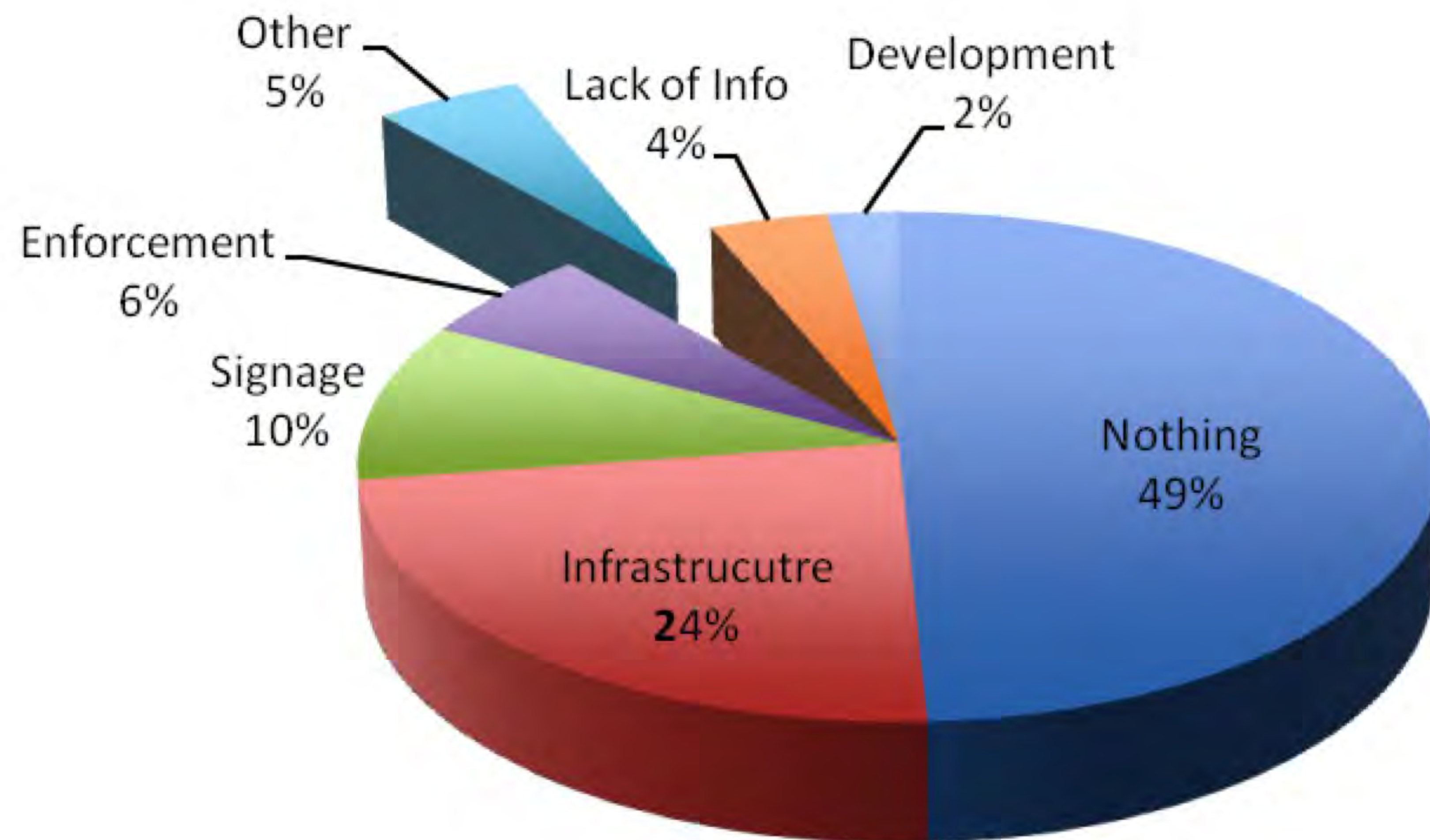
- Dogs
- Waste
- Enforcement



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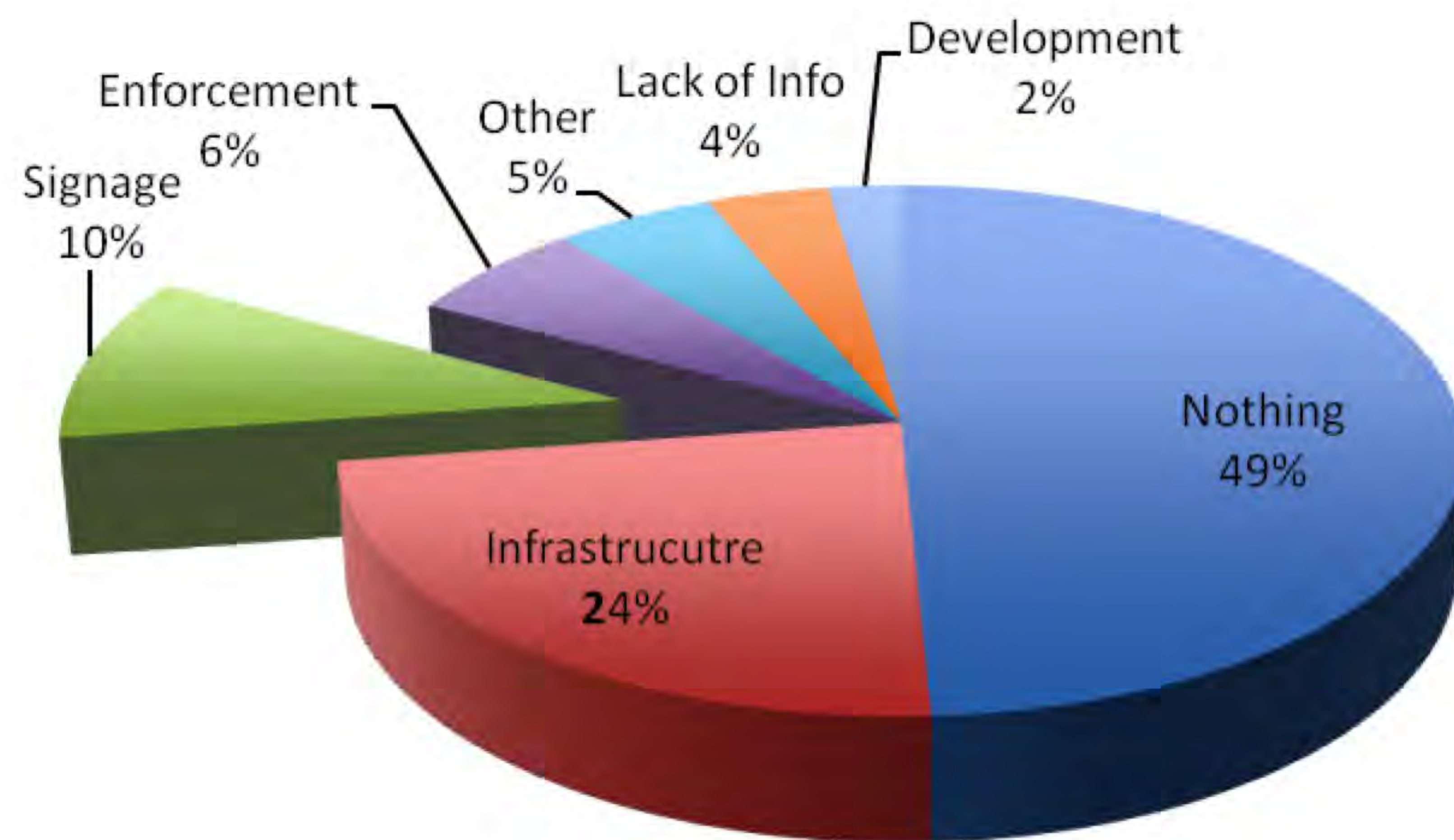
Other

- User Conflict
- Not Sure
- Environment
- Other



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Signage

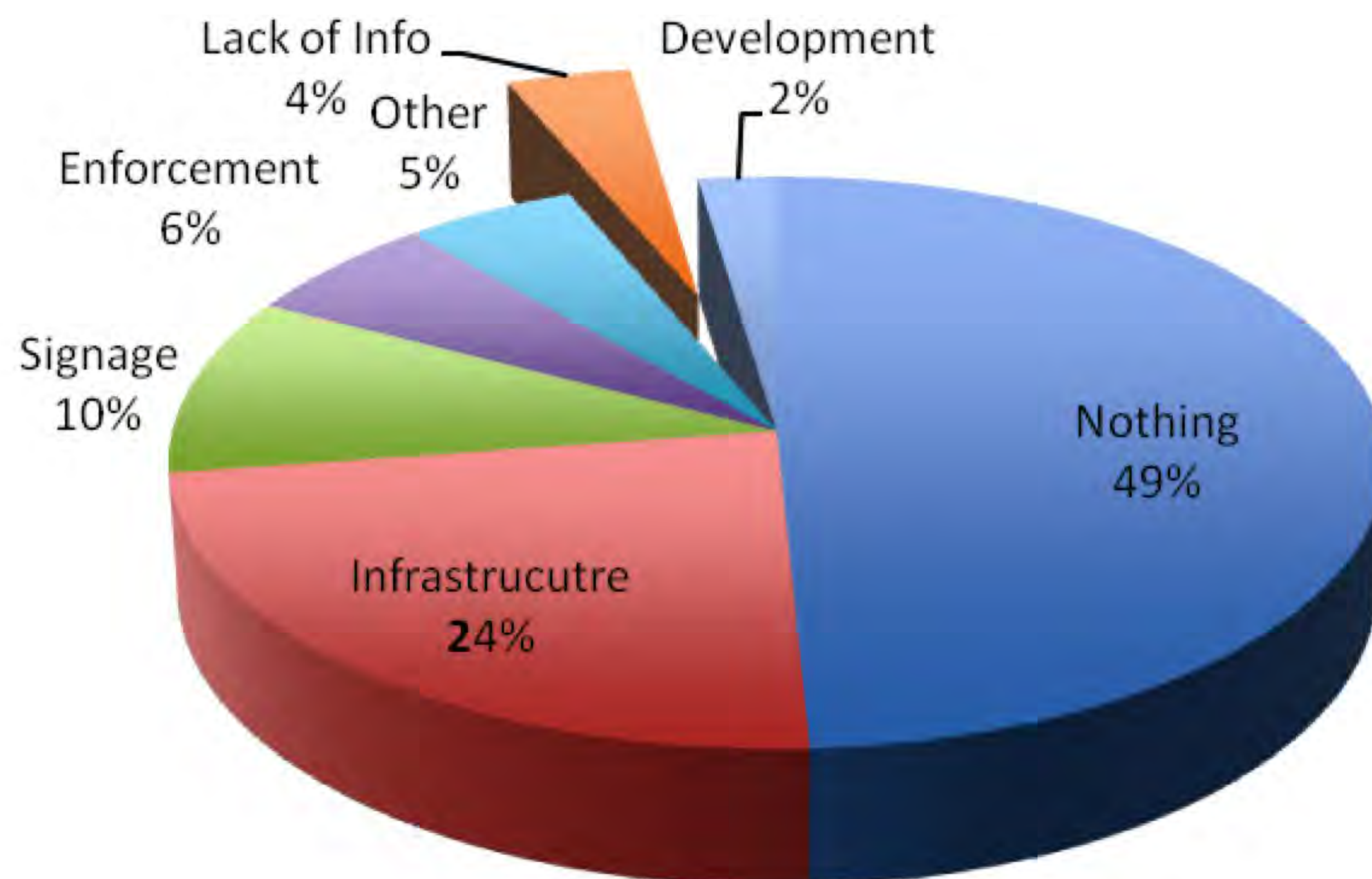


- “put mileage on trails on signs at trailhead; maybe even whether trail is easy or strenuous”
- “a map kiosk in the basin with ideas for hikes with kids”
- “better signage: Lake George sign from Mary saying: ‘George this way...’”

11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

Lack of Information

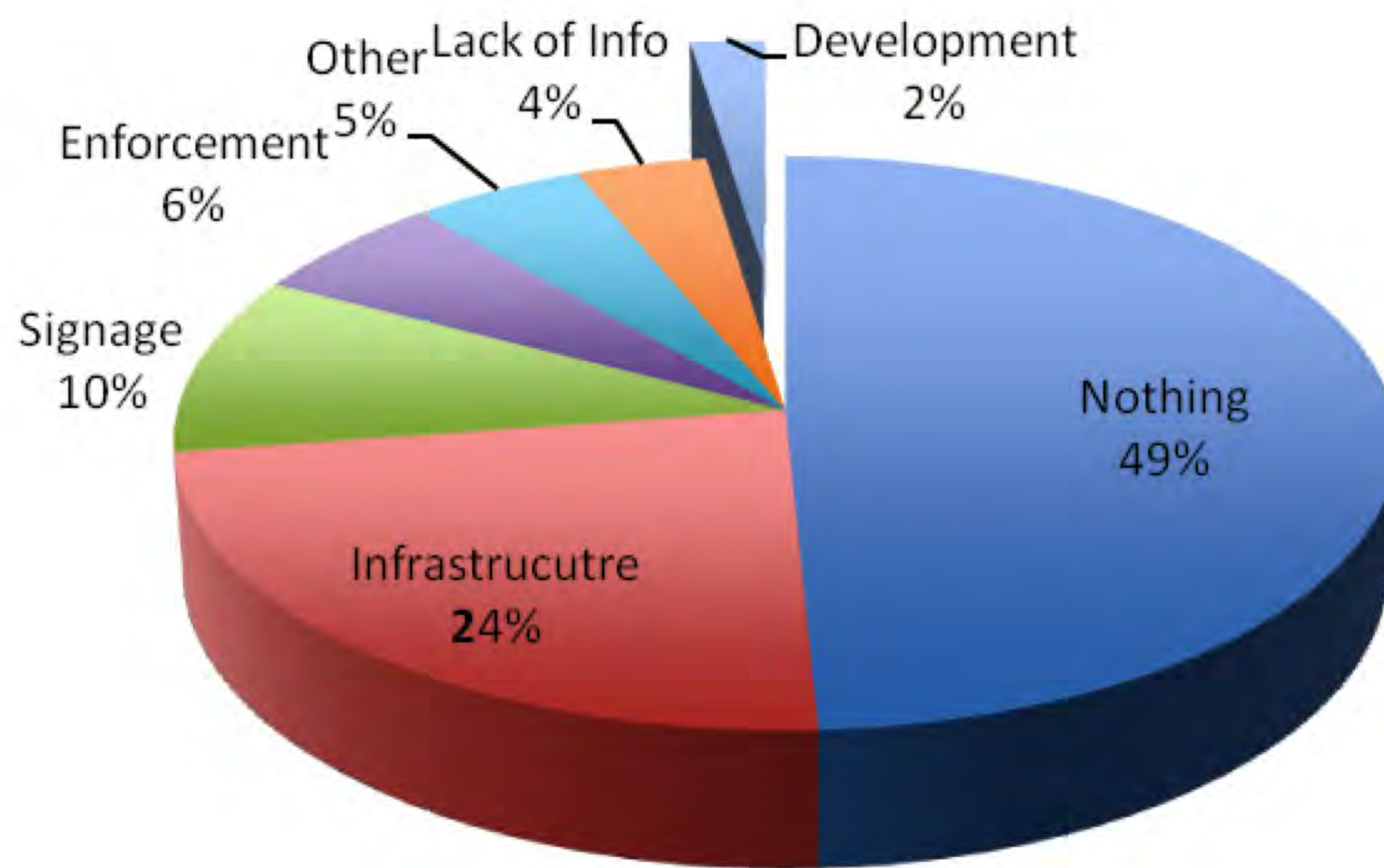
- “more info on CO2 at Horseshoe”
- “more info about Old Mammoth, mine, history, ski museum”
- “consolidate info on one website”



11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

Development

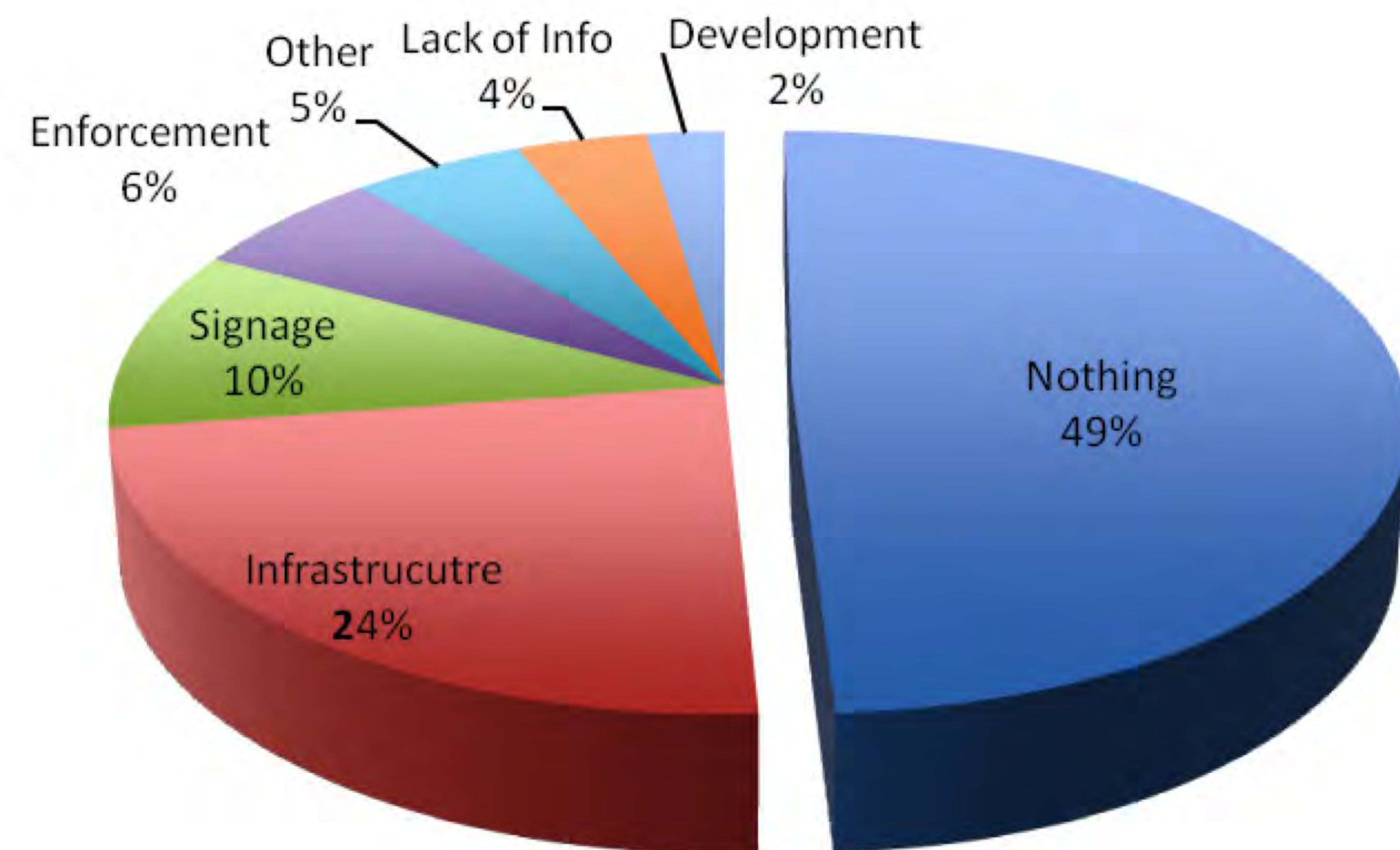
- “no more development”
- “no more commercial properties”



11. What are two things you would change about the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

Nothing

- “nothing, keep it like it is”





Thanks



“Visions for the Mammoth Lakes Basin”

Jon Kazmierski, Inyo National Forest

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What is your vision for the future of the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

- How will people experience the Lakes Basin?
- What kinds of facilities, opportunities, and amenities will be in the Lakes Basin?
- Where are those opportunities and amenities?

- **Not as many responses as we had hoped or anticipated**
- **To date, two blogs and two e-mails**
- **Not too late – share your vision!**

- Solution oriented
- Tended to be very specific
- Wide range of ideas and visions – all reflect great care and concern for the natural resources and people who seek recreation experiences
- Lack of big picture perspective

- “Respect” – for people, for communities, for resources
- “Access” – more, improved, maintain
- “Balance”
- “Watershed” – protection, pristine, valuable
- “Safety”

- Expand transit (location of stops, frequency of buses, and length of daily operations)
- Increase availability of designated parking in some locations
- Stop “renegade” parking
- Consider a park and ride lot within the Lakes Basin
- Conduct a parking study and develop a detailed parking plan
- Prohibit day-use vehicles on weekends
- Create incentive to use shuttle – pay for parking
- Make Lake Mary Road a one-way loop

- Ban lead sinkers, Ban Gasoline Engines on lakes
- Conduct a water quality study
- Organize lake clean-up efforts
- Impose development fees to offset maintenance and watershed health costs
- Improve water access

- Conduct detailed study on user trails and designate trails that will connect destinations
- Improved signage on trail system, including mileages
- More and better maps
- Expand paved bike trail system
- New trail from Twin Lakes to Maime

- Expand food services
- Increase number of event facilities (weddings, etc.)
- Keep as many trees as possible
- Improved and uniform signing system
- Document history and provide education opportunities

- Better info/signs/maps
- More transit
- More bike paths and trails
- Fewer cars
- More parking
- Clean up litter
- More food services

- Fewer People, Fewer Cars
- More Fish
- Limit access, let areas recover
- Don't develop
- More facilities (trash cans, picnic areas, campgrounds, showers, bathrooms)
- Don't change a thing

Problems:

- Basin-wide vs. Location specific
- Resource Impacts vs. Improved Visitor Services

Solutions:

- Cost
- Effects
- Sustainability
- Effectiveness
- Alternatives

Presentations so far....

Questions and Comments - 10 mins



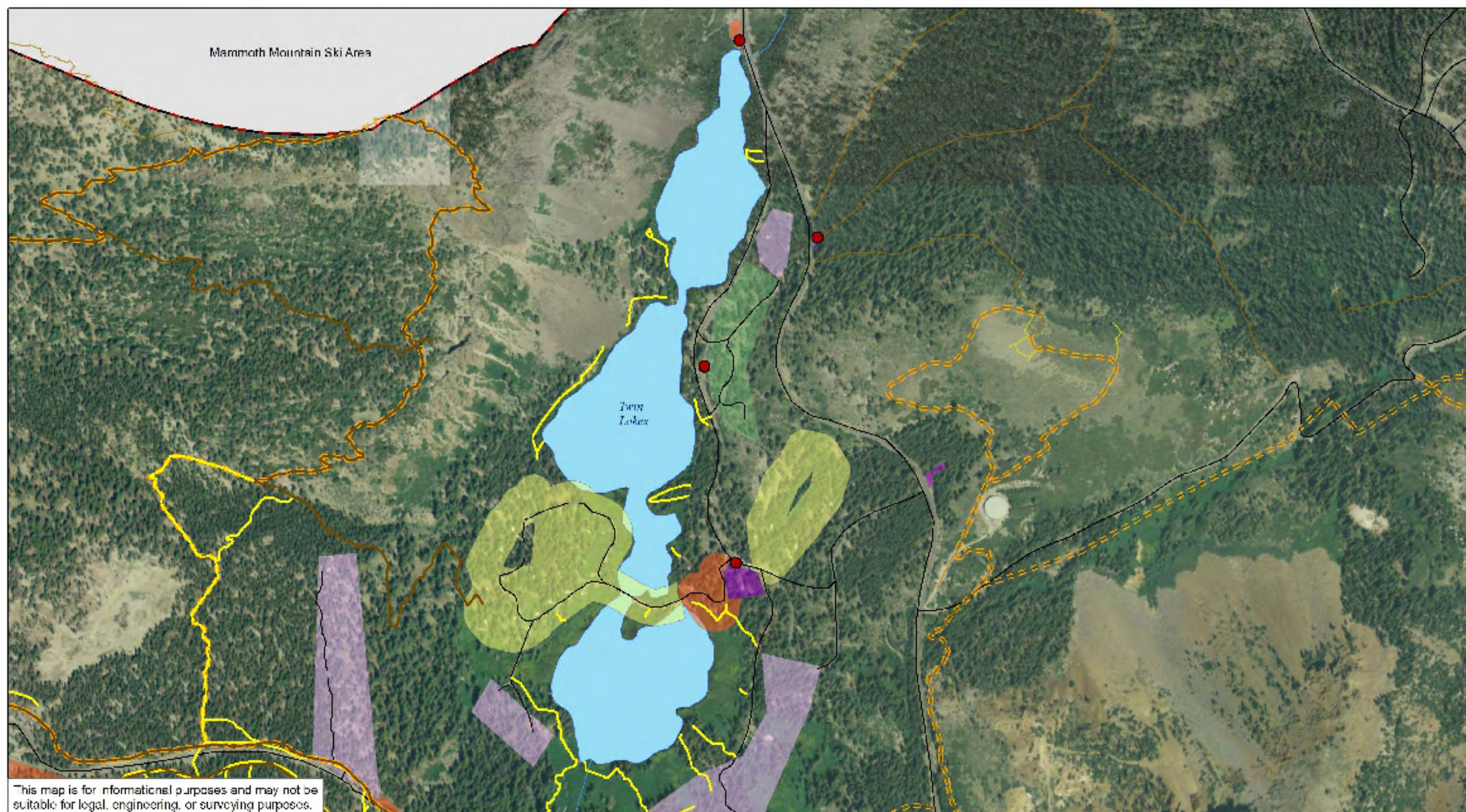
“Working Session: Exploring Solutions at Five Recreation Nodes in the Mammoth Lakes Basin”

Jon Kazmierski, Inyo National Forest



- Purpose of this working session
 - Identify gaps and missing pieces
 - Discuss problems and develop a range of solutions
 - Do not limit to solutions that you favor – list them all
 - Identify the pros and cons of each solution

- Split into 5 working groups
 - 4 Live and 1 Webinar
- Each group is assigned a node
- Each group has a facilitator and a toolkit
- Tasks for each group:
 - Familiarize yourself with assigned node
 - Discuss connectivity, problems and solutions
 - Record and Report back to the larger group

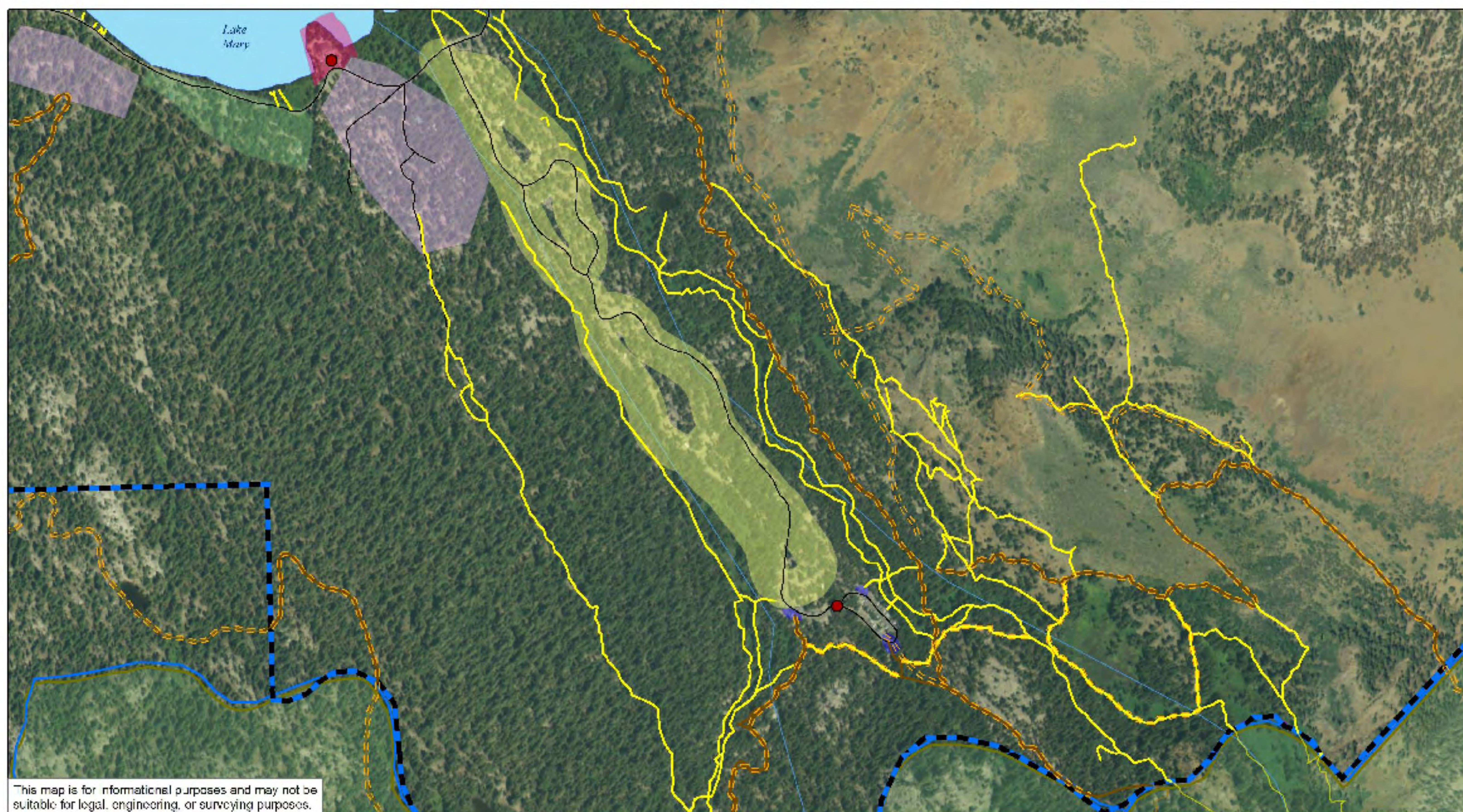


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| — Roads | ■ Cabin Tract | ■ Special-Use Permit | — User Created Trails |
| — Streams | ■ Trailhead | ■ Lodge | == Equestrian Trails |

Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS) Meeting #2
Node: Twin Lakes
Small Group Map

Map Draft Date: 10/12/10

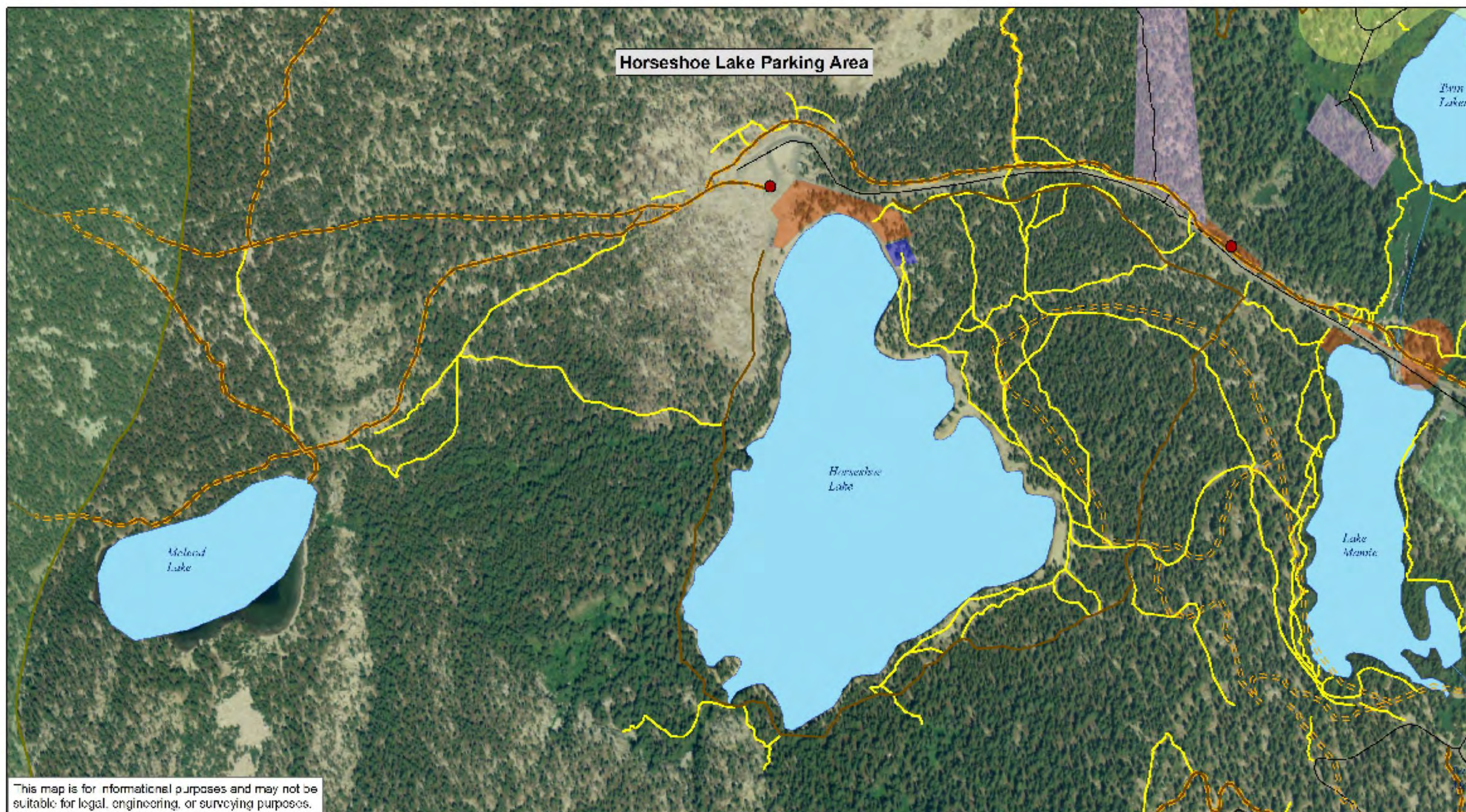


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Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS) Meeting #2
Node: Coldwater
Small Group Map

Map Draft Date: 10/12/10



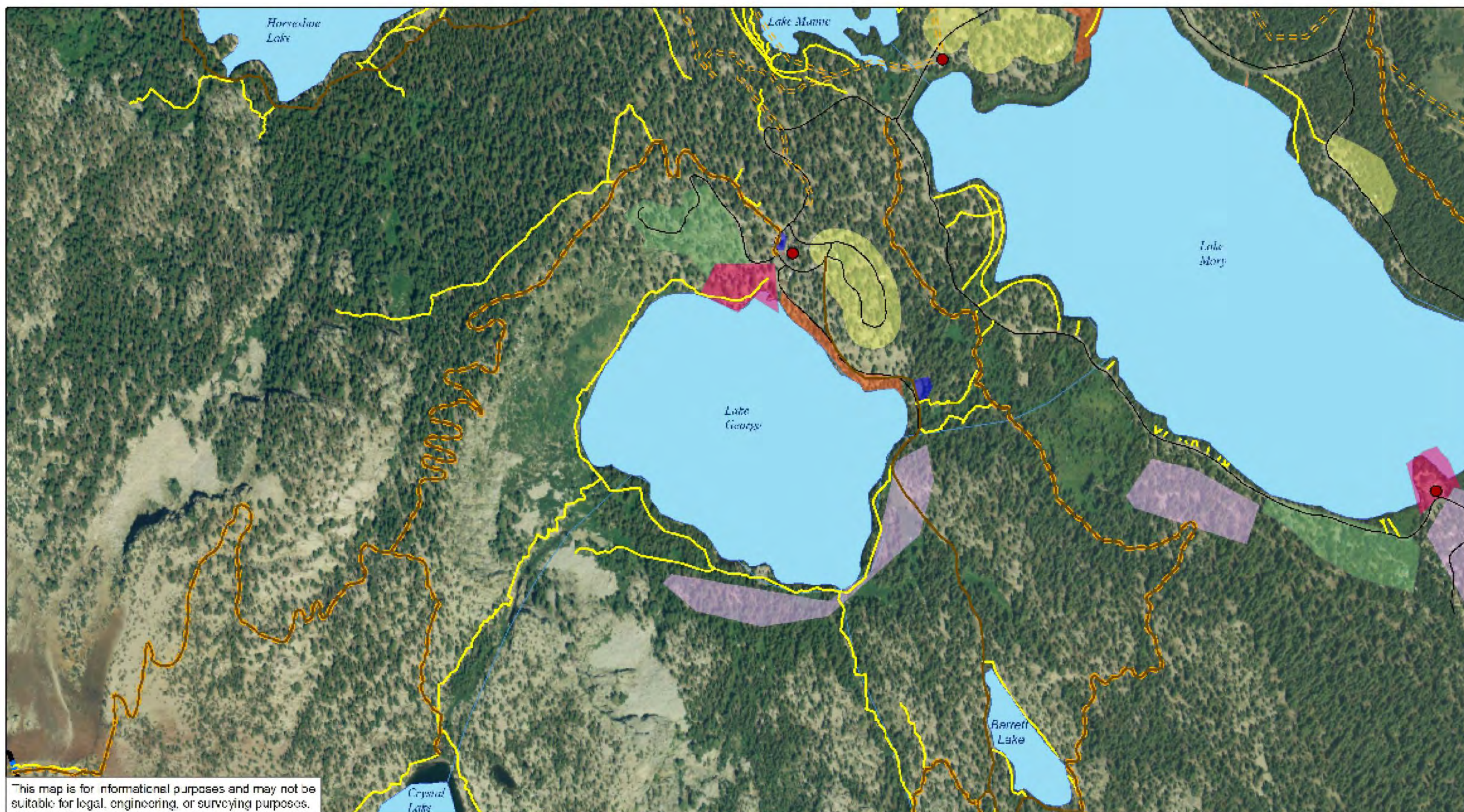
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Node: Horseshoe Lake
Small Group Map

Map Draft Date: 10/12/10

Working Session - Report Out - Lake George

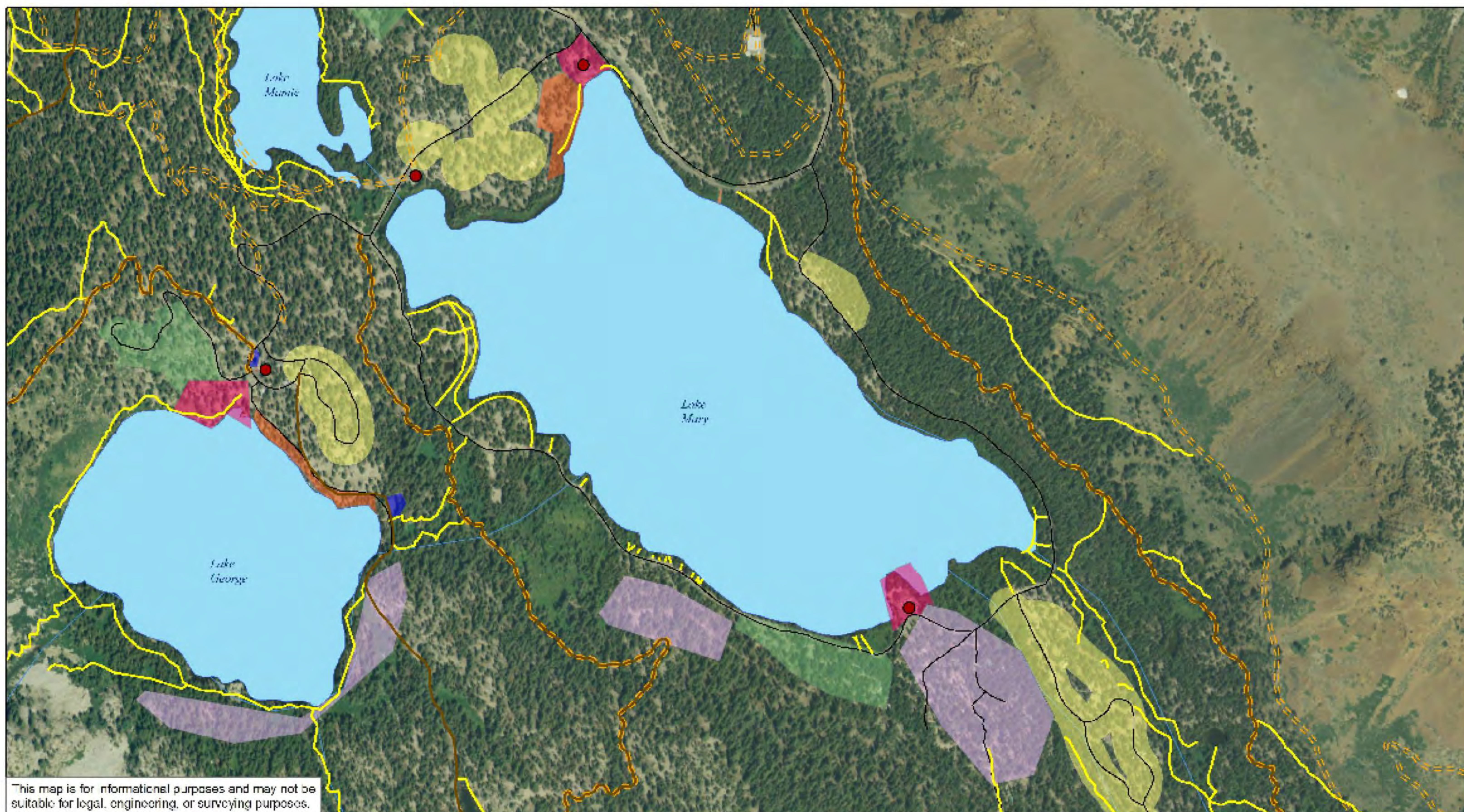


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Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS) Meeting #2
Node: Lake George
Small Group Map

Map Draft Date: 10/12/10



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| ● LABSS Nodes | Yellow Campground | Orange Day-Use Area | Brown INF System Trails |
| — Roads | Pink Cabin Tract | Pink Marina | Yellow User Created Trails |
| — Streams | Blue Trailhead | Green Lodge | Dashed Orange Equestrian Trails |

Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS) Meeting #2
Node: Lake Mary
Small Group Map

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What is your vision for the future of the Mammoth Lakes Basin?

- How will people experience the Lakes Basin?
- What kinds of facilities, opportunities, and amenities will be in the Lakes Basin?
- Where are those opportunities and amenities?
- Post your “vision” on the LABSS blog
- We will share our visions in meetings #2 and #3.

We want to hear from you!

- Provide feedback on existing conditions – did we miss anything?
- Download maps from MLTPA web site - add your comments and email them to labss@mltpa.org!
- Use any of the following methods to provide your input and feedback...

Website

www.mltpa.org

Blog

<http://labss.wordpress.com/>

Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Lakes-Basin-Special-Study-LABSS/117785138270241?ref=ts>

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Meeting #3:

“Lakes Basin Mobility and Transportation”

Thursday, October 28, at The Westin Monache Resort

and via webinar

5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Thanks for your participation!

We look forward to hearing from you...! And we'll look forward to seeing you on October 30th!

