

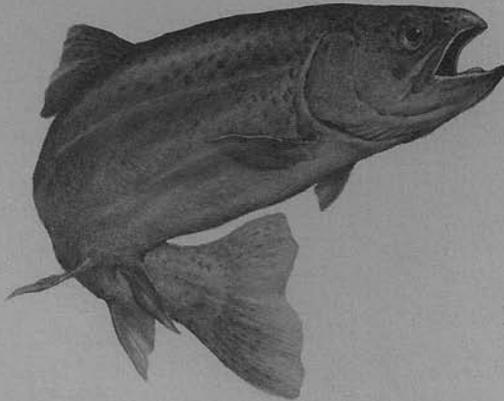
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LAKES OF THE AQUARIUS PLATEAU

(Boulder Mountain)

THOUSAND LAKE MOUNTAIN

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INTRODUCTION

This booklet introduces another beautiful, unique and picturesque area to the recreational visitor and should be of great interest to the adventurous angler. The Aquarius Plateau and Thousand Lake Mountain are located within the Dixie and Fishlake National Forests, the largest forests within our state. Both mountains are east and south of Richfield and Fish Lake, Utah, and are only 20 miles west of Capitol Reef National Park. Scenic Lake Powell and the canyons of the Escalante are just to the south. Scenery — it has, from the famous sandstone monoliths to alpine tundras reaching over 11,000 feet.

The Aquarius Plateau, referred to by many as the Boulder Mountain, is a south-central range containing several smaller mountains. The plateau reaches an altitude of 11,322 feet and has been referred to as the highest timbered plateau in America. The top is flat and is edged by a rim of lava rock separating the lakes on the top of the plateau from those lying in a belt just under this 400-800 foot rim. This unusual geological formation divides the lakes both biologically and chemically. The Aquarius Plateau does not have a major drainage system and the few streams that exist flow north to the Fremont River or south to the Escalante River and west to the Sevier River. Local people have fished and hunted here for a long time, but to the "outsider," the recreational aspects and even the location of these lakes have been very vague.

The Division of Wildlife Resources initiated a field inventory study to determine the location and the biological and chemical qualities of each lake to provide better fisheries management. The completion of this initial inventory has provided the data necessary to modify the fishery management program to meet the demands of the resource.

The Thousand Lake Mountain, which is similar to the Aquarius Plateau, is included to introduce the traveler to more of this beautiful country. This area is not as extensive as the Aquarius Plateau and contains only thirteen fishable waters. Most of these lakes are accessible by foot or horseback. Access by vehicle is from the Last Chance-Fremont Road and the turnoff to Thousand Lake Mountain is marked at Forsyth Reservoir. The road ends at the well developed campground near Elkhorn Ranger Station. The road is well kept and provides good access to the campground for vehicles with campers and other mobile camping units. On the Thousand Lake Mountain rainbow, cutthroat and brook trout may be found. Each lake will be discussed separately in this booklet.

High alpine lake management has been minimal in the past because of the lack of technical knowledge and equipment. The introduction of the airplane to fish stocking has made it possible for fish to be planted in

almost every pothole and basin across the plateau. Little knowledge regarding survival and adaptability of the fish in each aquatic habitat was available. Each lake now, however, has been studied as an individual fishery habitat. The factors influencing survival and growth of various species of trout were evaluated. Management plans for specific lakes, when possible, were modified to provide better fishing, usually by stocking a different species of trout better adapted to the lake as a fisheries habitat.

Access is a unique situation on the Boulder Range. Good roads completely encircle the range; however, roads on the Boulder are limited. The major roads on the mountain are generally usable by two-wheel drive vehicles only during dry conditions. In the past there have been many side roads that could be traversed by four-wheel drive vehicles, but these are being closed by the U.S. Forest Service in order to protect the habitat and prevent soil erosion. The major access is by foot. Backpackers do have an opportunity to enjoy their sport, though it is not as remote and vast as the High Uintas in northeastern Utah.

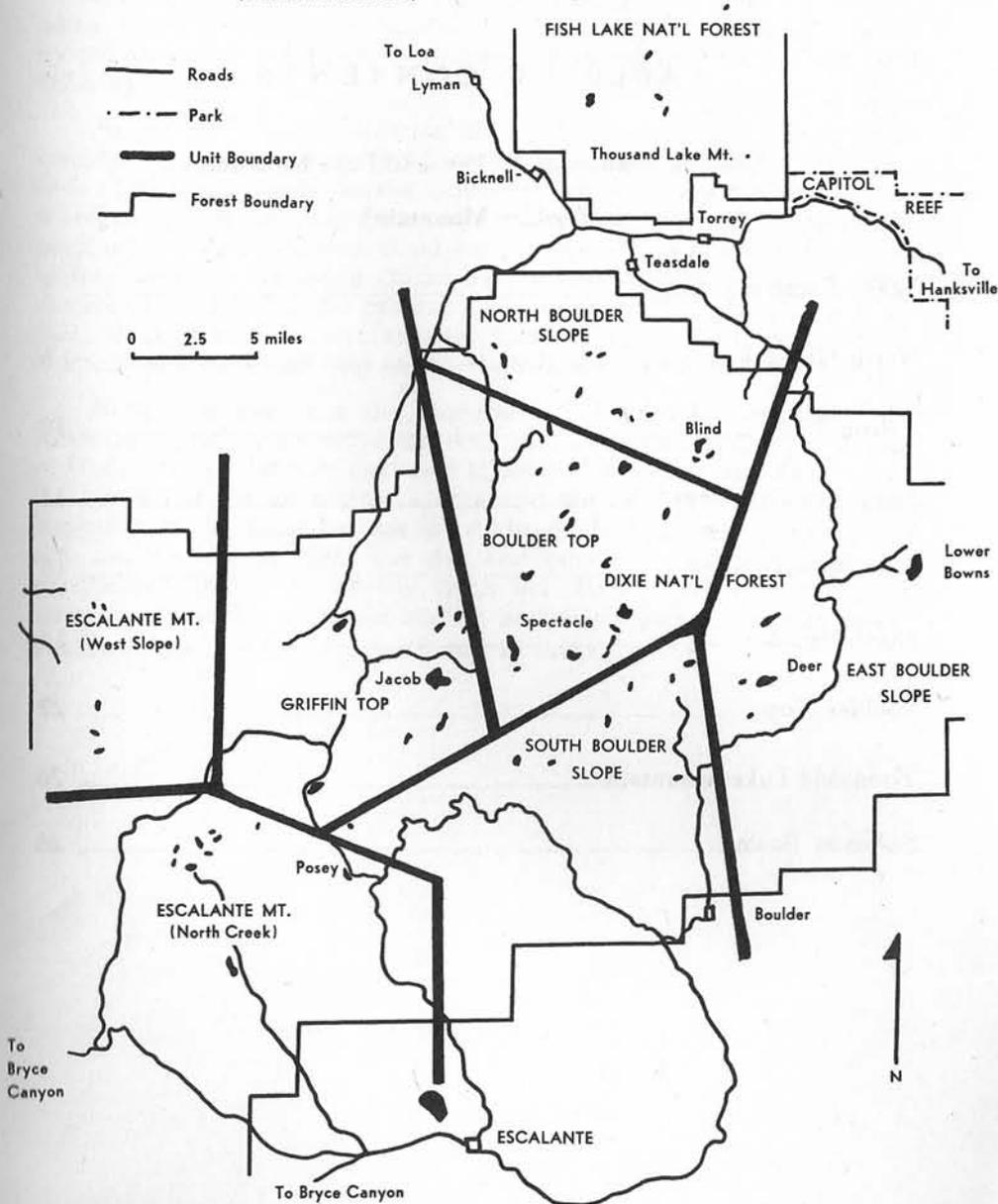
At the present time the Aquarius Plateau and Thousand Lake Mountains provide an out-of-the-way place to relax and enjoy a part of Utah that is relatively unknown to most of its residents. The Aquarius Plateau is not an extensive area and with the increase of modern recreationists, it could become overutilized. Fishing here is unpredictable and can be excellent one day and poor the next. However, the experienced angler can usually catch fish. Every year trout weighing up to four pounds are caught and on occasion a lunker has been taken, but most fish average between 9 and 14 inches.

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AQUARIUS PLATEAU AND THOUSAND LAKE MT.
(Boulder Mountain)



ESCALANTE MOUNTAIN

There are two drainages in the area known as the Escalante Mountain. The Antimony drainage that flows west into the Sevier River and the North Creek drainage that flows southeast into the Escalante River. The lakes in this area lie between 7400 feet and 9900 feet elevation. The lakes in the Antimony drainage can be reached by going to Antimony, Utah, and driving up Antimony Canyon or by driving up the Mud Lake Road and then by foot or horseback the remainder of the way.

West Escalante Slope

ANTIMONY LAKE # 290 — 1.5 acres, elevation 8400 feet, maximum depth 20 feet, 6 miles up Antimony Creek. Rainbow trout stocked as fingerling. Camping on shore line is primitive, no drinking water available. Deer flies can be a problem at times.

LITTLE ANTIMONY LAKE # 327 — 0.5 acres, elevation 7400 feet, maximum depth 8 feet. Located above Antimony, hard to locate. Rainbow trout stocked as fingerling. Camping limited, primitive, at best. No water available for camp use. Deer flies can be a problem in mid-summer.

OTTER LAKE # 334 — 1.5 acres, elevation 9700 feet, maximum depth 8 feet, 10 miles up Mud Lake-Grass Lake Road, signs showing way. Stocked with brook trout and cutthroat. Some primitive camping on shore line, but water should be carried into camp.



PACER LAKE # 335 — 35 acres, elevation 9282 feet, maximum depth 8 feet. Eight miles up Mud Lake Road — sign showing turn off — lake subject to heavy drawdown, which contributes to winter losses some years. A very weedy lake which is difficult to fish. Brook, cutthroat and rainbow trout stocked as fingerling. Camping along shore line, primitive. Water available from spring on east side.



ROB'S RESERVOIR # 345 — 1.5 acres, elevation 9750 feet, maximum depth 3 feet, 9.5 miles up Mud Lake

and Grass Lake Road. Subject to fluctuation. Brook trout stocked. Limited camping, very good spring on east side.

North Creek Lakes



BARKER RESERVOIR # 292—12 acres, elevation 9564 feet, maximum depth 11.0 feet. Major camping facilities for area developed at water's edge. Rainbow trout stocked. Approximately 13 miles from Highway 54. Two-wheel drive access, slick in wet weather.

BLUE LAKE # 296 — 0.5 acres, elevation 9620 feet, maximum depth 8 feet. Lake is located behind Yellow Lake approximately 200 yards. Stocked with brook trout.



DOUGHERTY BASIN RESERVOIR # 309 B — 3 acres, elevation 9700 feet, maximum depth 13 feet. One-half mile above Barker Reservoir — take trail west from Barker.

Stocked with brook trout. Water from the creek should not be used for drinking.



FLAT LAKE # 316 A — 10 acres, elevation 9616 feet, maximum depth 5 feet. Approximately one mile northeast of Barker Reservoir. Shallow natural lake with emergent grasses. Brook trout stocked. This lake is subject to winter kills.

JOHNNY LAKE # 326 B — 0.5 acres, elevation 9000 feet, maximum depth 5 feet. Located about 2 miles up White Creek. No trail. Lake contains a reproducing population of brook trout.

LONG WILLOW BOTTOMS # 328 — 5.0 acres, elevation 9850 feet, maximum depth 7.5 feet, 1.5 miles above Barker Reservoir on trail past camping area. Trail forks right to lake, left fork goes to Round Willow Bottoms. Lake is stocked with cutthroat trout. Also accessible by trail from Griffin Top.

LOWER BARKER RESERVOIR # 328 A — 5.0 acres, elevation 9500 feet, maximum depth 8.5 feet. Reservoir lies below Barker. Limited camping available. Fish are brook trout with an occasional rainbow trout being taken.



JOE LAY RESERVOIR # 326 A— 4.0 acres, elevation 9500 feet, maximum depth 5.0 feet. Trail to Flat Lake, sign showing the turn on the right hand fork. Fish are brook trout. Weeds make fishing difficult.

ROUND WILLOW BOTTOMS # 353 — 9.0 acres, elevation 9813 feet, maximum depth 11.0 feet, 1.75 miles northwest, past Barker camping area. Stay on main fork, ends at spillway. Fish stocked are cutthroat.

YELLOW LAKE # 365—6.0 acres, elevation 9620 feet, maximum depth 8.0 feet. Located 1 mile northeast of Barker Reservoir. Stocked with brook trout.

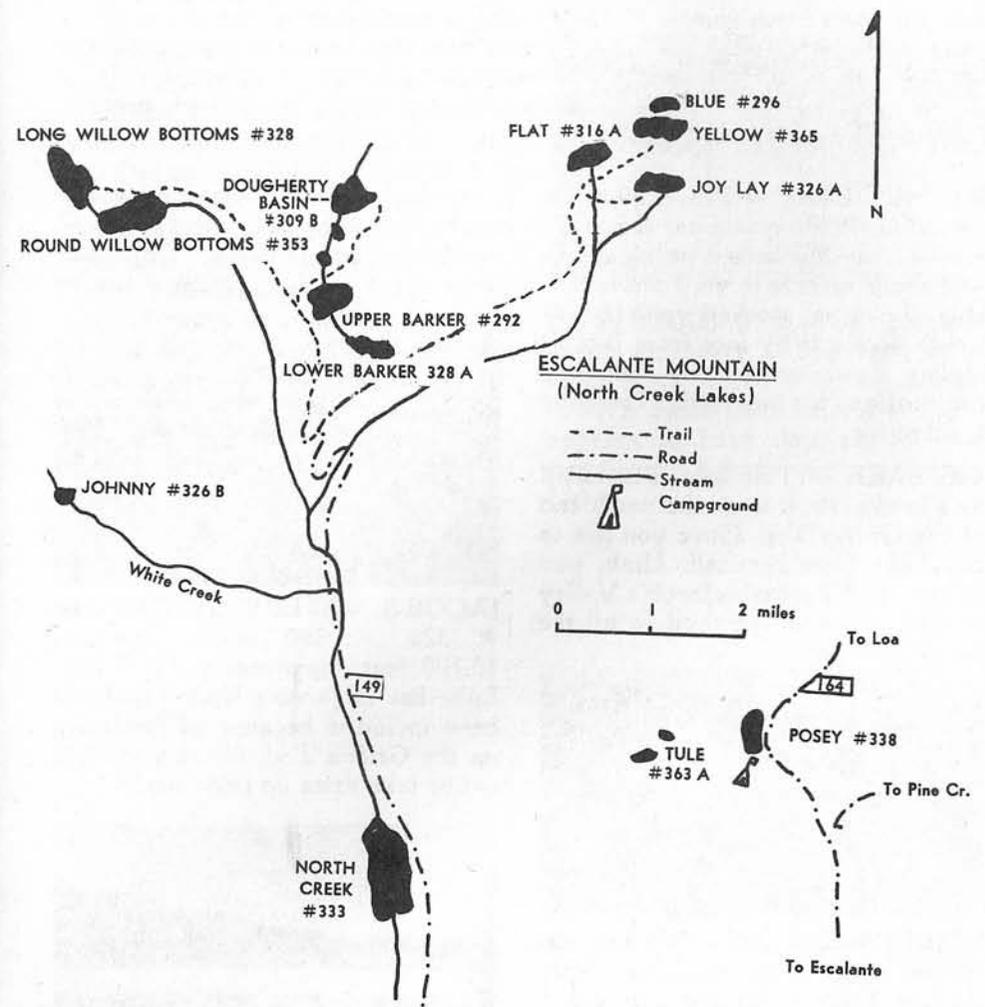
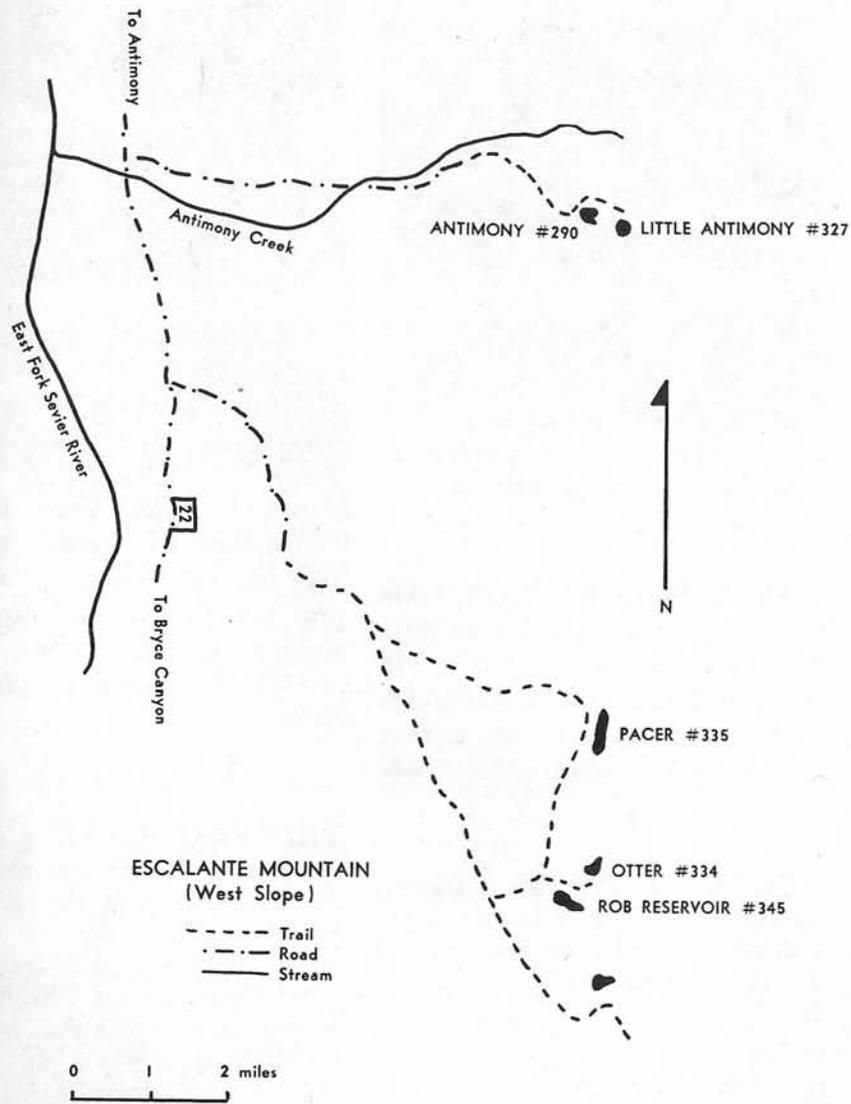
There are also three other small lakes in general area of the North Creek lakes. Two are located between Barker Reservoir and Dougherty Basin Reservoir. The other lake is located near the trail between Long Willow Bottom and Griffin Top.



POSEY LAKE # 338 — 8.0 acres, elevation 8676 feet, maximum depth 18.0 feet. Lake reached by driving from the town of Escalante to the Posey Lake Campground approximately 13 miles. Well developed campground by lakeside and well kept facilities; boat ramp and dock provided. Rainbow and brook trout stocked. Access is good in fair weather for two-wheel drive vehicles.

TULE LAKE # 363 A — 2.0 acres, elevation 9108 feet, maximum depth 22 feet. Access is by foot or by horseback. Approximately 1.5 miles west of Posey. Lake stocked with brook trout. Lake is difficult to find over rough terrain that is heavily timbered.

NORTH CREEK # 333—This reservoir is located along the road to the North Creek lakes. Shallow and subject to drawdown. No fish stocked.



GRIFFIN TOP

Six lakes on the Griffin Top have fish. Brook, rainbow trout and the grayling, a newly introduced species inhabit the waters of this area. Griffin Top is an interesting area because of the combined timber and open meadows or "parks". Deer abound during the summer months. A frequent visitor can pick out the old "mossy horn" and chances are you will watch for him and find him back each summer. The Griffin is accessible by two-wheel drive vehicles, but due to the type of road base and the summer rains, four-wheel drive travel is still recommended. There are no developed campgrounds — the nearest is located at Posey Lake. Water should be carried into the primitive camp.

BARNEY LAKE # 293 — 29 acres, elevation 9929, maximum depth 20 feet. Barney has been a problem lake — fishing success is very unpredictable. Lake is stocked with brook trout. Access is by foot from Jacob's Valley Reservoir and by following the outflow for one mile. Camping is primitive.

BIG LAKE — This lake is included as a landmark. It is on the north end of the Griffin Top. Once you are to Big Lake from Bicknell, Utah, you are within 1.5 miles to Jacob's Valley turnoff which is the road to all the fishable waters.



BLUE LAKE # 297 — 8 acres, elevation 10,600 feet, maximum depth 23 feet. Lake is stocked with brook trout. Camping is primitive. Located approximately 2.5 miles from Jacob's Reservoir up past the Row Lakes and east through heavy timber — difficult to locate.

CYCLONE LAKE — 88 acres, elevation 9865 feet, maximum depth 4

feet. No fish stocked, used as a landmark. Lake lies on south border of what is called the Griffin Top. Lake is on main road from Escalante to Bicknell.



JACOB'S VALLEY RESERVOIR # 326 — 390 acres, elevation 10,700 feet, maximum depth 7 feet. Lake lies in Jacob's Valley and has been included because of landmark on the Griffin Top. No fish stocked — this lake dries up periodically.



PURPLE LAKE # 340 — 20 acres, elevation 10,500 feet, maximum depth 14 feet. Stocked with grayling in 1972. Located $\frac{1}{4}$ mile below Blue

Lake. Lake has been subject to winter losses during the past. Camping is primitive at best with no water.

ROUNDY RESERVOIR — Landmark Only — Sign on road marking lake — No fish stocked.

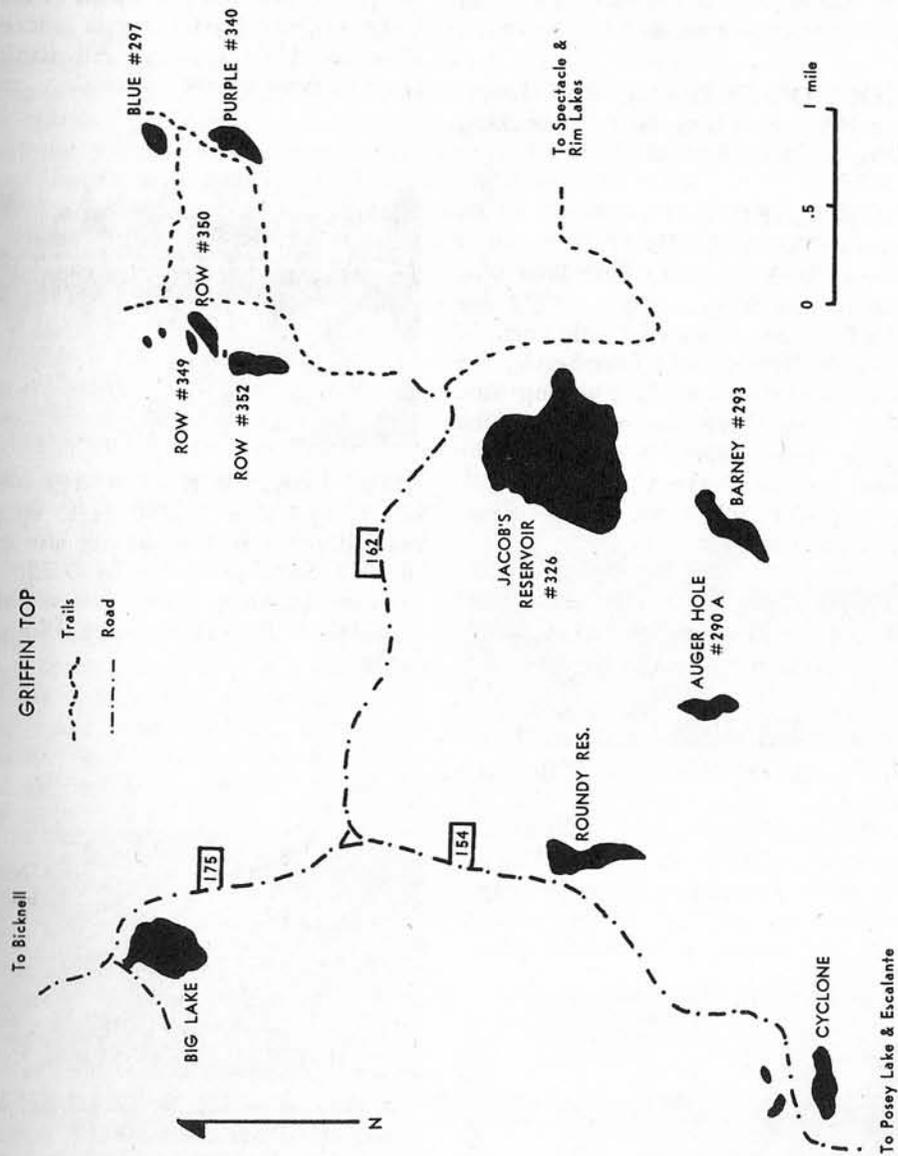
ROW LAKE # 3 — #352 — 25 acres, elevation 10,240 feet, maximum depth 10 feet. This lake was stocked with grayling in 1972 for the first time. Located 1 mile north of Jacob's Reservoir. Numbering of the row lakes was done a long time ago when there was water in nine lakes, but climatic changes in the past 15 years have dried up several, except for the three lakes listed. Camping is primitive.

ROW LAKE # 7 (Banana Lake) # 350 — 21 acres, elevation 10,250 feet maximum depth 18 feet. Ba-

nana Lake was stocked in 1971 with grayling. Located just north of Row Lake # 352. East shore is inaccessible to shore fishing. All fishing must be done on west shore.



ROW LAKE # 8 — # 349 — 7 acres, elevation 10,250 feet, maximum depth 9 feet. Grayling stocked in 1972. Small pond behind # 350 — appears to have dike between the two lakes. Access same as Banana Lake.



SOUTH BOULDER SLOPE

That area of the Boulder referred to as the South Slope is bounded by Pine Creek to the west, the ledges to the north, Highway 117 to the east, and Hell's Backbone Road (USFS # 153) to the south. There is one reservoir included outside of this boundary, due to its relative position. This is the Garkane Impoundment that is just off Highway 117 above Boulder, Utah. Several lakes are isolated by themselves and some are in groups. Camping facilities are from primitive to semi-developed. Some water is available at springs, but for the most part, water should be carried into camping areas. Fish species include rainbow, cutthroat and brook trout. Each lake has characteristics all of its own; fishing success is from poor to excellent on any given day.

CHRISS LAKE # 303 — 4.0 acres, elevation 9500 feet, maximum depth 13.0 feet. Chriss is one lake that contains all three species — rainbow trout, cutthroat and brook trout. Located one mile from Highway 117, approximately 6.5 miles from Boulder. Camping is primitive, water should be taken into the area.

DEER CREEK LAKE # 308 — 22 acres, elevation 10,000 feet, maximum depth 23 feet. A spring is located in the rocks above Deer Creek Lake for drinking. The lake is centrally located and four lakes can be reached by foot from this point — Chriss, West Deer, Green and Deer Creek Lake. Fish stocked are cutthroat, rainbow and brook trout. Access is by foot only marked by USFS sign along road about three miles beyond turn-off to Garkane Power Plant.

GARKANE IMPOUNDMENTS # 318, A.B.C. — These are reservoirs developed by the Garkane Power Company. All are accessible to the fisherman.

The two upper reservoirs are accessible by walking only. The main reservoir (Garkane # 318 A) is very low in elevation, 7200 feet, and is stocked with rainbow trout. This lake is visible from the main road. The Kings Pasture Reservoir (elevation 9300 feet), # 318 B, is at the end of the road and is blocked by a gate. It is on private land, but foot traffic is allowed and a walk-through is provided. It is stocked with rainbow trout and some cutthroat are present from the stream. West Fork Reservoir (elevation 9,100), # 318 C, is reached by walking to the west approximately 1.5 miles. Located on private land. Camping is allowed outside the locked gate. Semi-developed area — space is limited, but primitive camping is allowed on the national forest. Water should be carried into the area.



GRASS LAKE # 320 — 11.5 acres, elevation 9,700 feet, maximum depth 7 feet. Grass Lake is stocked with cutthroat trout. Lake lies in a long basin above Kings Pasture to the northeast. Access is by foot only on trail for approximately one mile. Difficult to fish due to weeds.



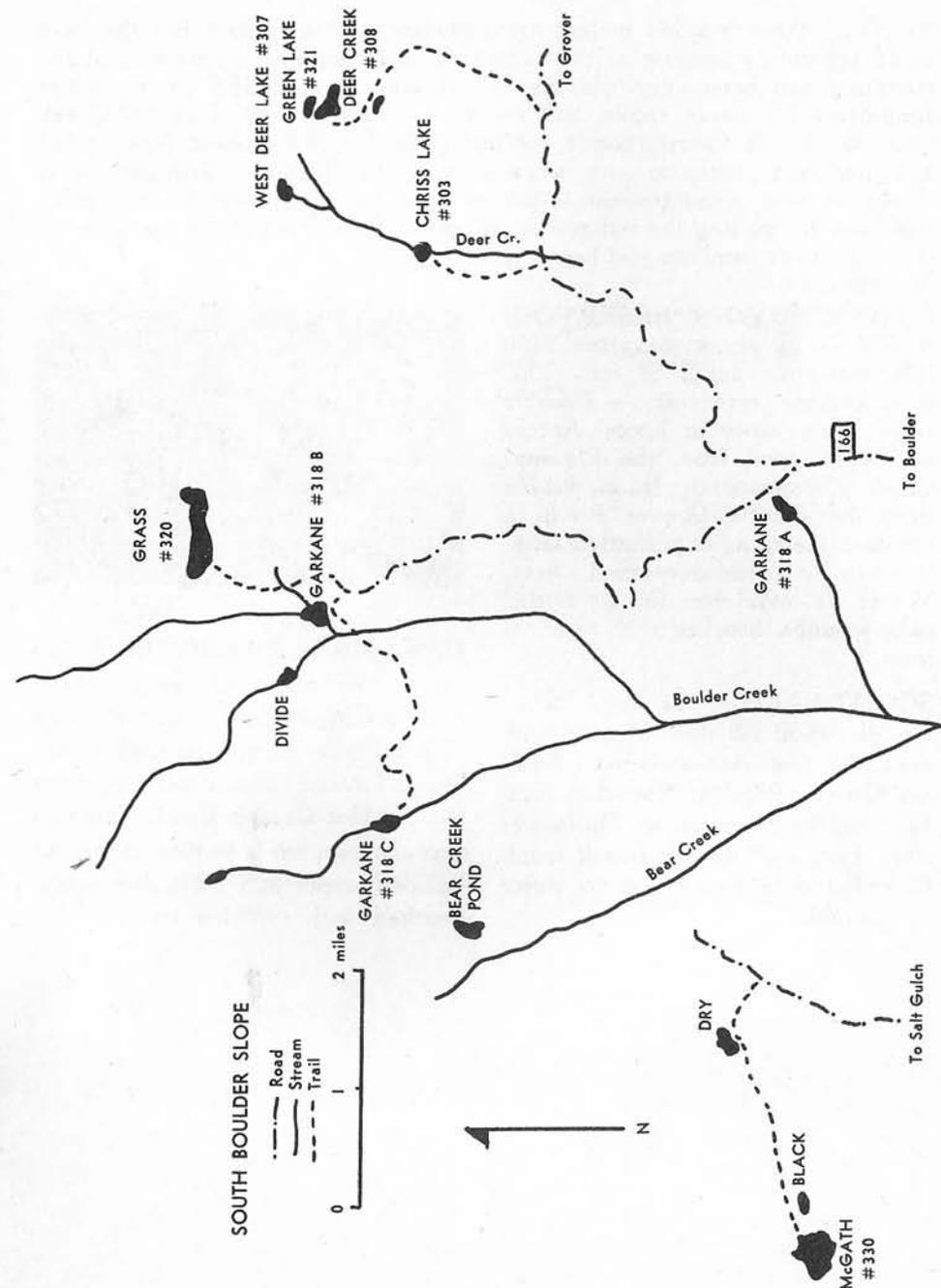
GREEN LAKE # 321 — 4 acres, elevation 10,050 feet, maximum depth 33 feet. Green Lake is a very long volcanic hole filled with spring water. It is very narrow and very deep. Fish are cutthroat and brook trout. Access is by foot from Deer Creek Lake approximately 200 yards.



McGATH LAKE # 330 — 40 acres, elevation 9372 feet, maximum depth 13 feet. McGath Lake is all by itself and is accessible from Sweetwater reseeding on Hell's Backbone Road. Two access points exist — one below and one comes in from Black Lake and is easy to locate. Fish stocked are brook trout. Camping is primitive and water should be carried. Difficult to fish because of weeds. Sometimes this lake winterkills.



WEST DEER LAKE (Moseman Reservoir) # 307 — 4.0 acres, elevation 9,850 feet, maximum depth 7.0 feet. West Deer is at the head of West Deer Creek and is reached by one of two ways. From Chriss Lake, walk up stream. If camped at Deer Creek Lake, access is through the trees for a mile to the Creek and then to the pond. Several beaver dams exist between the two creeks, so do not get confused. Stocked with brook trout. Spring water is available and camping is undeveloped.



EAST BOULDER SLOPE

Only three fishable waters are included in this section, but they are listed separately because of the campground accessibility. This side of the mountain has been very well developed with three USFS campgrounds equipped with water, tables and restrooms. Single Tree, Pleasant Creek and Oak Creek Campgrounds are along the Boulder-Grover Road #117 and are good places to stay when visiting the Boulder Mountain areas. Access to these campgrounds is fair to good for two-wheel drive vehicles and even for pulling the self-contained units. Fish available in the lakes of this region are rainbow and brook trout.

LOWER BOWNS' RESERVOIR

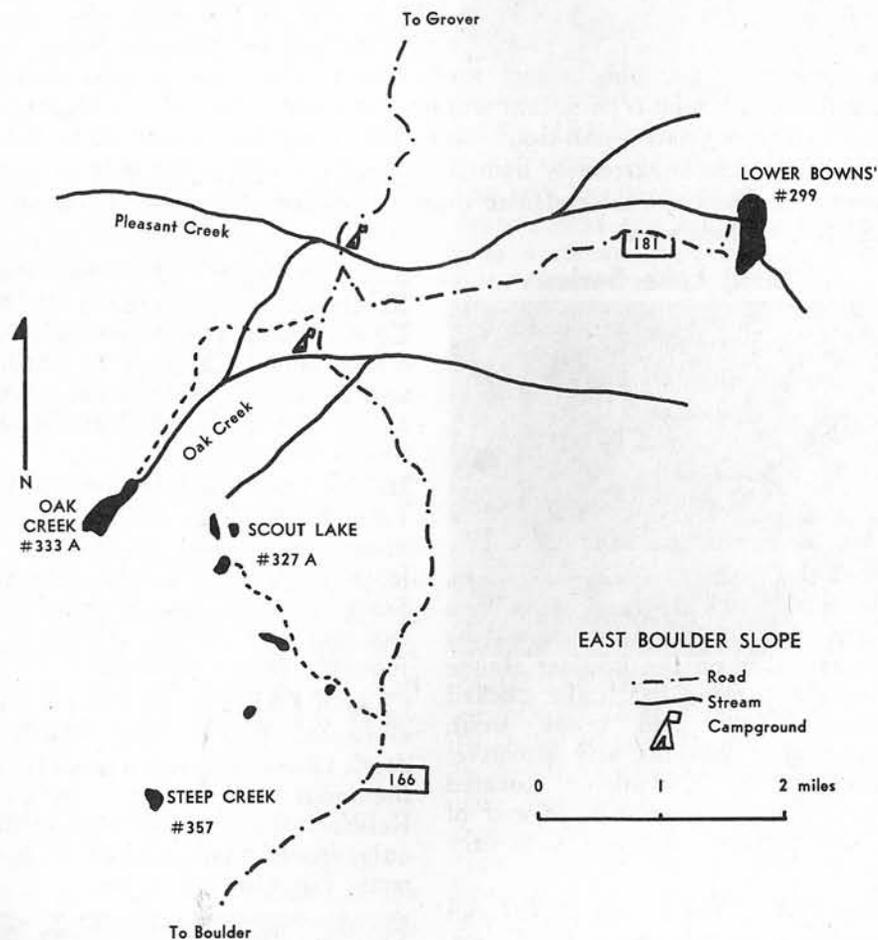
299 — 90 acres, elevation 7400 feet, maximum depth 58 feet. This is a lowland reservoir — fishable either from shore or boats. Access is fair to good from the Pleasant Creek Campground. It is visible from the Boulder-Grover Road to the east. Camping is permitted lakeside in a semi-developed area. Water is available in developed campgrounds. Stocked with rainbow trout.



OAK CREEK RESERVOIR # 333

A — 45.0 acres, elevation 10,100 feet, maximum depth 30 feet. Oak Creek Reservoir sits on Oak Creek and is located about 2 miles up from the Boulder-Grover Road. Camping recommendation is to stay in the developed areas and plan day visits. Stocked with rainbow trout.

SCOUT LAKE # 327 A — 2.5 acres, elevation 10,100 feet, maximum depth 8.0 feet. Access is from Boulder-Grover Road at Roundup Flat. Sign marking access to Sunflower Flat. Fish stocked are brook trout. Camping is primitive and no water is available.



imum depth 9 feet. The trail to Solitaire starts just below Donkey Reservoir at the first little pond. Trail marker goes across dike approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile. Brook trout are reproducing — limited camping.

Lost Lake Series

BULBERRY LAKE # 795 — 1.5 acres, elevation 9300 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. This is the first lake in the Bulberry system. It is long and narrow in a clay-limestone basin. Fish stocked are brook trout. Access is by foot or horseback from Coleman Reservoir, and the Bulberry's are on the right fork. Sign post shows direction. Camping is primitive — water should be carried into area.

COLEMAN RESERVOIR # 797 — 5 acres, elevation 8900 feet, maximum depth 16 feet. Coleman is the first and last lake accessible by vehicle. To get to the reservoir, go up Donkey Reservoir road until the road forks and a USFS sign shows the way to Coleman. Camping is primitive with no available water. Rainbow trout are stocked.

HEART LAKES # 812 A and 812 AA — These lakes are not under production and are included as a landmark. Reference has been made by local people and maps show them, so they have been mentioned. Future plans will include these lakes and bring them into production.

LAVA LAKE # 813 — 1.0 acres, elevation 9350 feet, maximum depth 19 feet. Lava Lake is situated in the same drainage as the Bulberry's. Brook trout are stocked. Access is by foot or horseback from Coleman Reservoir. Camping is very limited and is primitive. No water available for drinking.

CLEAR LAKE # 796 — 1 acre, elevation 9200 feet, maximum depth 8 feet. No fish stocked, but migration could occur from Moss Lake. Access is by foot from Bulberry approximately 400 yards west.

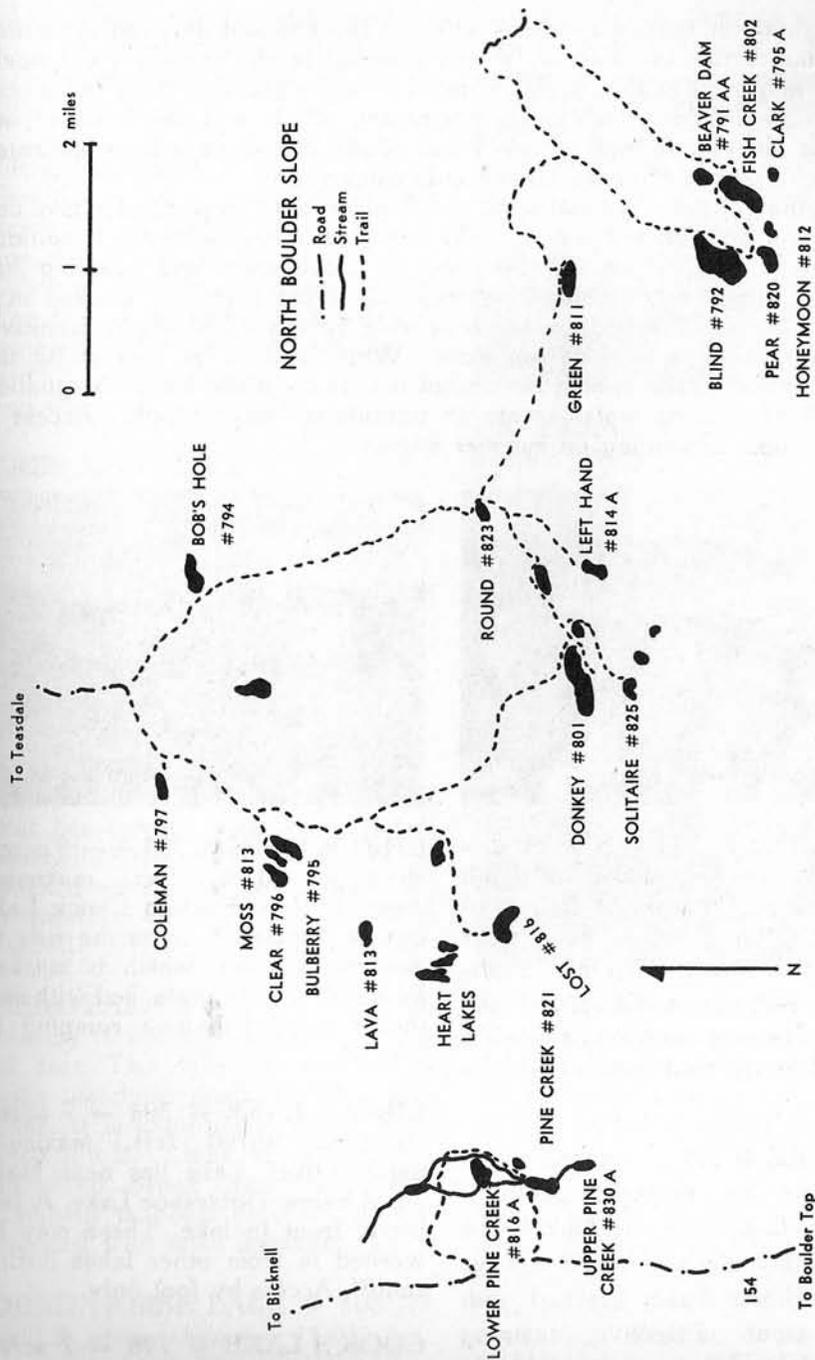
LOST LAKE # 816 — 7 acres, elevation 9800 feet, maximum depth 41 feet. Commonly referred to as Government Lake. Lost Lake is 7.0 miles up hill from trail head. Camping on lakeside is extremely limited due to steep slopes into the lake. Water is available in springs in the ledges. Access is either by horseback or on foot. Brook trout are stocked.

MOSS LAKE # 818 A — 1 acre, elevation 9200 feet, maximum depth 10 feet. Small lake just west of Bulberry. Stocked with brook trout. Access by foot from Bulberry. No camping and no water.



PINE CREEK RESERVOIR # 821 — 3 acres, elevation 9100 feet, maximum depth 18 feet. Pine Creek Reservoir is located just north of the Aquarius Guard Station. Sign marking turn-off one mile below the Ranger Station. Lake stocked with brook trout with some rainbow reproducing naturally. Camping is limited with water available from stream.

UPPER PINE CREEK POND # 830 A — 1.5 acres, elevation 9150 feet, maximum depth 6 feet. This is a permanent beaver pond. Lake is stocked with cutthroat trout. Access is on foot by following stream up hill from Pine Creek Reservoir. No camping is available.



BOULDER TOP

High alpine tundra meadows with the crooked and dwarfed timberline trees characterize the plateau. Water abounds in the spring or extremely wet summers, but as the warmer climatic changes proceed, these lakes tend to dry and disappear. Aerial photography, which was the basis of our mapping, shows hundreds of lakes and ponds, but surveys have indicated that only a couple of dozen lakes would support fish.

Angling is very frustrating on the Boulder Top. A particular lake can be excellent one summer and poor the next due to severe winter conditions resulting in fish winter kill. Stocking of brook trout and grayling has helped to create many fishable waters. Cutthroat trout are stocked in a few lakes that will support them to provide variety. Camping is primitive, developed campgrounds do not exist. Water has to be carried by the camper and all water should be treated if used from the lakes. Stagnation and lack of running water create an unsanitary water supply. Access is poor to good, depending on summer storms.



BESS LAKE # 294 — 5 acres, elevation 11,080 feet, maximum depth 13 feet. Bess Lake is the largest of the Stink Flat Lakes. Brook trout have been stocked. This lake is subject to winter losses. Camping in the area is primitive, no water available. Located north and east of Elbow Lake.

BIG LAKE # 295 — 8 acres, elevation 10,900 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. Big Lake is in the Oak Creek head waters. Located about 4 miles east of Elbow Lake. Stocked with brook trout. Primitive camping around lake. Water is available in the head water springs only.



CHUCK LAKE # 303 A — 5 acres, elevation 10,600 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. Finding Chuck Lake can be difficult. It is on the way to Surveyor's Lake, which is marked by a sign. Chuck is stocked with cutthroat trout. Primitive camping at lakeside.

CIRCLE LAKE # 304 — 7 acres, elevation 10,700 feet, maximum depth 7 feet. Lake lies near Halfmoon below Horseshoe Lake. A few brook trout in lake. These may be washed in from other lakes during runoff. Access by foot only.

COOK'S LAKE # 798 — 7 acres, elevation 10,600 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. This is one of the first

lakes reached when going to the Top from Bicknell. Camping around the lake, but no water available. Stocked in 1972 with grayling. Access by two-wheel drive vehicle is fair to good.

CRATER LAKE # 301 — 7 acres, elevation 11,000 feet, maximum depth 11 feet. Crater Lake is a medium sized lake adjacent to Boulder Draw in the center of the Boulder Top and is stocked with brook and cutthroat trout which are subject to winter losses. Camping is primitive and no water is available.

CRESCENT LAKE # 302 — 13.5 acres, elevation 10,900 feet, maximum depth 28 feet. This is another cutthroat water located nearly four miles east of Spectacle Lake. There is a lakeside area used for camping, but there is no water available for camp use.

CUB LAKE # 799 — 1.0 acres, elevation 11,100 feet, maximum depth 11 feet. Cub Lake is a small lake that lies beyond Raft Lake and is somewhat difficult to find. It is stocked with brook trout. Camping is primitive and water should be carried.

DEAD LAKE # 306 — 23 acres, elevation 10,900 feet, maximum depth 12 feet. This lake sits out in the open meadows northeast of Crater Lake. It is identifiable by the presence of a large boulder appearing as an island. Brook trout are stocked. Camping is poor, the lake is surrounded with open meadow.

DEAD HORSE LAKE # 800 AA — 1.5 acres, elevation 11,070 feet, maximum depth 7 feet. Small lake on overflow stream from Raft Lake.

Stocked with brook trout, with some cutthroat possible from Raft Lake. Access is good, camping primitive, with no drinking water available.



EAST LAKE # 311 — 3.5 acres, elevation 10,700 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. East Lake is accessible by foot from Horseshoe Lake only. Small lake stocked with brook trout. Primitive camping with water unsuitable for drinking.



ELBOW LAKE # 312 — elevation 11,123 feet. Elbow Lake is a Boulder Top landmark. No stocking done due to depth of water, only 18 inches. It is included for the purpose of reference only.

HALFMOON LAKE # 323 — 15 acres, elevation 10,700 feet, maximum depth 12 feet. This lake has been stocked in the past with brook trout, but frequent winter losses have taken their toll. Future stocking will be with brook trout.



HORSESHOE LAKE # 325—12.5 acres, elevation 10,700 feet, maximum depth 16 feet. Horseshoe Lake is a very unpredictable water; winter kills occur often and fishing can be frustrating. Horseshoe Lake is stocked with brook trout and is located at the southeast end of the Boulder Top. Once located, other lakes are accessible from this area. Camping is primitive and water should be carried in by the angler.

RIDGE LAKE # 343 A — 2 acres, elevation 10,600 feet, maximum depth 10 feet. Is a small lake 400 yards southeast of Horseshoe Lake and is stocked with brook trout. Access is by foot from Horseshoe Lake. No campsites are available as the lake is surrounded by rocks and timber.

MEEKS LAKE # 329 — 5 acres, elevation 10,850 feet, maximum depth 19 feet. Meeks is a small lake in the Pleasant Creek headwaters that is stocked with brook trout and is rather hard to locate from Stink Flat. Camping is primitive and water available in springs.

MILLER LAKE # 818 — 6 acres, elevation 10,650 feet, maximum depth 10 feet. This is one of the first lakes reached when driving up to the Top. Miller sits on same bench as Cook's Lake. Stocked with grayling in 1971. Camping in meadows, but no water available.

PLEASANT LAKE # 337 AA — 3 acres, elevation 10,880 feet, maximum depth 22 feet. Pleasant Lake is located in the Pleasant Creek headwaters. Stocked with brook trout. Camping is primitive and no water is available.

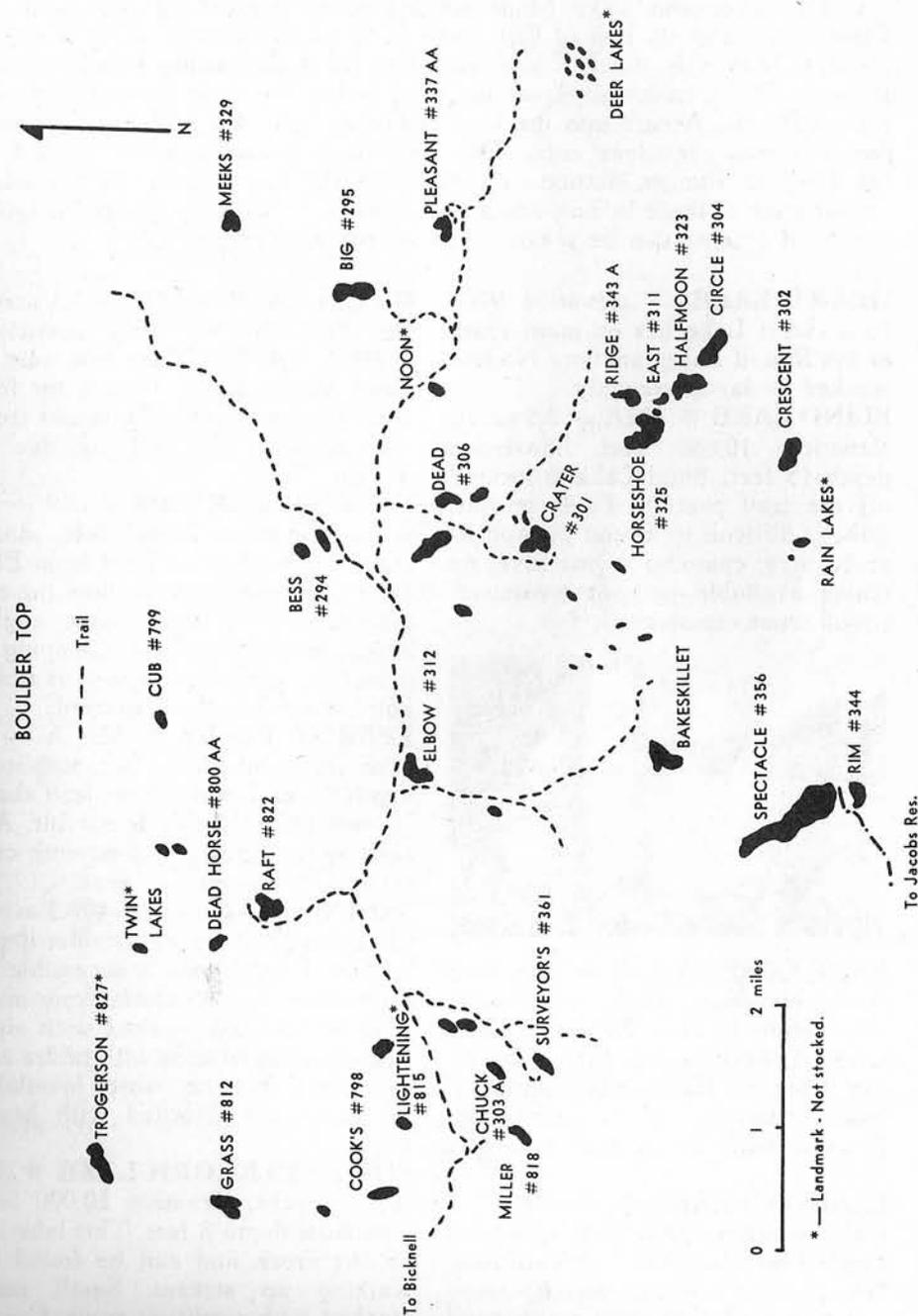
RAFT LAKE # 882 — 23 acres, elevation 11,070 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. Large lake in open meadow. A sign shows direction. Stocked with brook and cutthroat trout. Access is fair to good. Camping is poor — open area, with no water available.

RIM LAKE # 344 — 8 acres, elevation 10,820 feet, maximum depth 19 feet. Stocked with brook trout. Lake located $\frac{1}{8}$ mile south of Spectacle Lake. Camping on the lake is primitive with no water.

SPECTACLE LAKE # 356 — 21 acres, elevation 10,890 feet, maximum depth 55 feet. Spectacle is a large lake located at the southwest end of Boulder Top. Lake is stocked with rainbow and brook trout. Also several lakes are accessible by foot from this point. Camping is primitive and no drinking water is available.



SURVEYOR'S LAKE # 361 — 5 acres, elevation 10,850 feet, maximum depth 20 feet. Access to Surveyor's Lake is south from a large corral located west of Elbow Lake. Stocked with brook trout. Fishing is unpredictable. Camping is primitive with no water available.



THOUSAND LAKE MOUNTAIN

The Thousand Lake Mountain lies directly north of the Aquarius Plateau and directly east of Fish Lake. It is a small area in terms of alpine scenery, with only thirteen high elevation lakes supporting fishable populations. This includes six lakes in the Solomon Basin at the north end of the mountain. Access into the area is fair to good for both pickups with campers and passenger cars. One developed campground is located at the Elkhorn Ranger Station. Access from the campground to the lakes except most of those in Solomon Basin is by foot. Fishing is unpredictable, but good catches can be taken by persistent anglers.

HEART LAKE — elevation 9900 feet. Heart Lake lies on main road, at the Round Lake Junction. No fish stocked — landmark only.

BLIND LAKE # 792A — 2.5 acres, elevation 10,668 feet, maximum depth 15 feet. Blind Lake is located off the trail past Neff's Reservoir. Lake is difficult to locate. Backpacker country; camping is primitive, no water available without treatment. Brook trout are stocked.



DEEP CREEK LAKE # 800 A—8 acres, elevation 10,600 feet, maximum depth 18 feet. Access to Deep Creek Lake is about four miles by foot from the Elkhorn Campground. Some camping area near lake. Stocked with brook and cutthroat trout.

ELKHORN LAKE # 801 A — 1.0 acre, elevation 9900 feet, maximum depth 6 feet. Stocked with cutthroat, but success is poor. Located about 1/2 mile south of Elkhorn Campground —no trail, difficult to find.

GRASS LAKE # 810 — 1.5 acres, elevation 10,650 feet, maximum depth 6 feet. Small lake just west of Deep Creek Lake. Access by foot from northwest end. Cutthroat trout are stocked. No camping due to terrain.

NEFF'S RESERVOIR # 819 — 10 acres, elevation 10,400 feet, maximum depth 18 feet. Trail from Elkhorn Campground will allow the energetic and the enthusiastic angler access to this reservoir. Camping is primitive, water from spring is available. Brook trout are stocked.

PERRY'S POND # 820 A — 1 acre, elevation 10,200 feet, maximum depth 8 feet. Located near trail about 1/2 mile below Neff's Reservoir. Access by foot only. Stocked with cutthroat. No camping in area.

ROUND LAKE # 823 — 1.5 acres, elevation 8800 feet, maximum depth 13 feet. Round Lake is accessible by four-wheel drive vehicle from main road at junction marked with sign. Semi-developed area with tables and restrooms, but no water available for camp use. Stocked with brook trout.

SOUTH ELKHORN LAKE # 825 A — 1 acre, elevation 10,000 feet, maximum depth 8 feet. This lake lies on the creek and can be found by walking up stream. Small pond stocked with cutthroat trout. Camping extremely limited and primitive.

