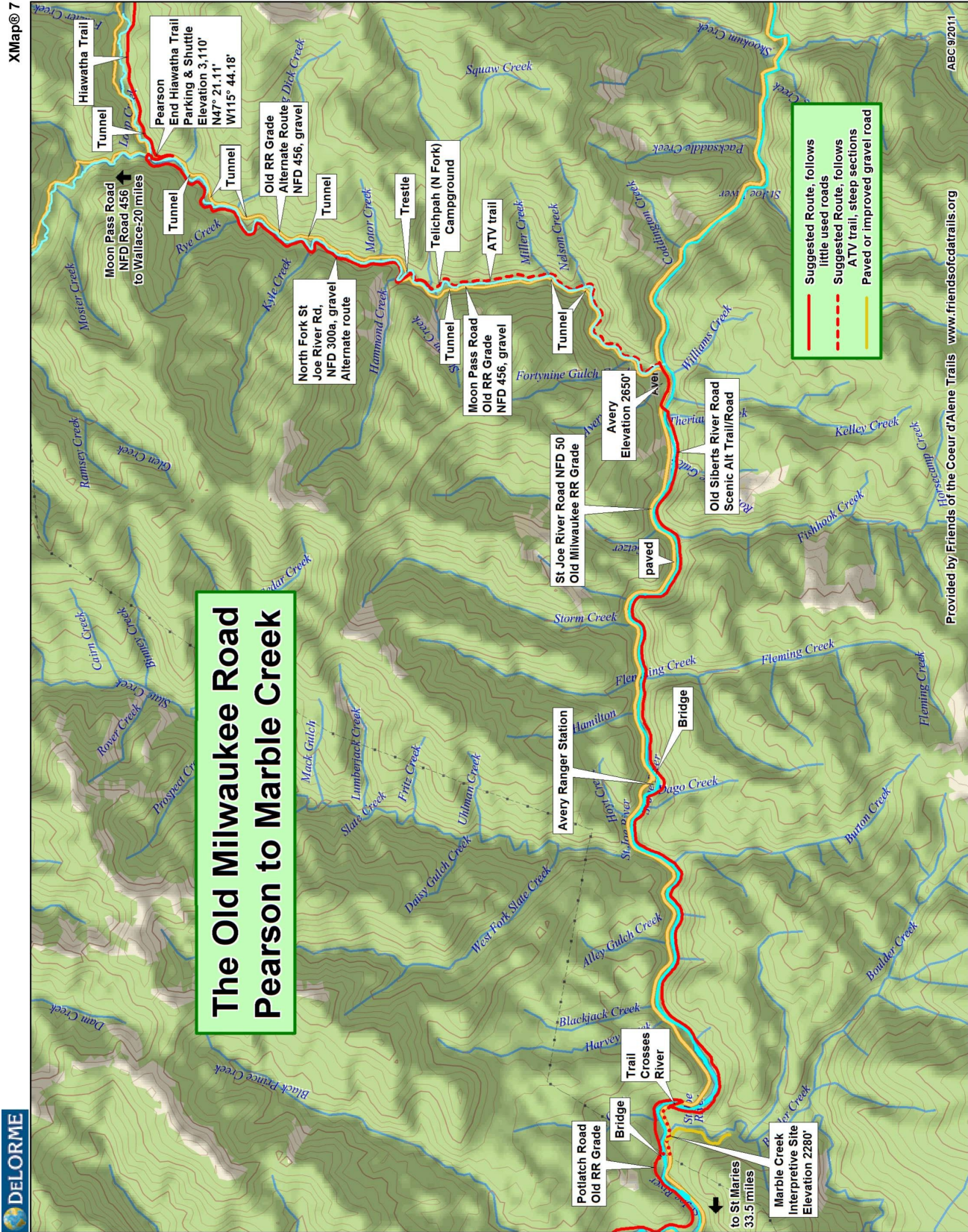


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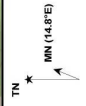
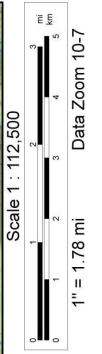
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**The Old Milwaukee Road
Pearson to Marble Creek**

- Suggested Route, follows little used roads
- - - Suggested Route, steep sections
- Paved or improved gravel road



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Route Directions:

This ride starts at the Route of the Hiawatha Pearson Trailhead. The trailhead can be reached via the Moon Pass Road (NFD 456) from either Wallace or Avery. This can also be a continuation of a ride on the Route of the Hiawatha. We follow the Old Milwaukee Scenic/Alternate Route through Avery and continue to Marble Creek. The Moon Pass Road from the Pearson Trailhead to Avery is the abandoned railroad right-of-way of the Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound Railway. This ride is all down hill following the rivers flowing toward Lake Coeur d'Alene.

A note of caution: The Moon Pass Rd has a lot of traffic during the summer months.

Mileage	Comments
0.0	As you leave the parking area, (Elev. 3130) note the Tunnel 30 portal in the distance. This is one of 7 tunnels on the Moon Pass Rd between here and Avery. Make a sharp right turn onto Moon Pass Rd as you leave the parking area.
0.5	Turn left onto N Fork St Joe River Road (NFD 300a). Follow the Old Milwaukee Scenic/Alternate Route sign (on your left) across the bridge. You are now on the road that was used to travel between Avery and Wallace when the railroad was active. This road is rocky and has a number of short climbs.
2.4	Note the railroad trestle across Big Dick Creek. The cliffs on the other side of the river are favorite diving spots into some of the deep holes in the river bottom.
5.6	Note the railroad trestle across the N Fork St Joe River and the ramp down from the Moon Pass Rd. You are almost at the Telichpah (formerly N Fork) campground.
6.2	The Telichpah campground is on both sides of the road. Note: There is no water available at the campground. The road is blocked off to automobiles a short way down the road. The road is a jeep track from this barricade to the one at the St Joe River Rd near Avery.
6.7	Tunnel 34 is visible across the river.
8.2	Tunnel 35 is visible across the river.
8.8	Tunnel 36 is visible across the river.
10.6	Note the footings for the old bridge that once crossed over the N Fork St Joe River and the railroad tracks to take one into Avery.
10.7	Turn right onto the St Joe River Rd.
10.8	Follow the Old Milwaukee Scenic/Alternate Route sign onto Milwaukee Rd and ride into Avery (Elev. 2650). Avery is where trains changed from steam power to electric and vice/versa. You want to continue on Milwaukee Rd and get on the CCC constructed overpass that crosses the St Joe River Rd and the river. Scheffy's Motel and General Store, and the Avery Gift shop, are supporters of the Friends of the Coeur d'Alene Trails.
11.6	The Old Milwaukee Scenic/Alternate Route continues on Siberts Old River Rd (old NFD 50) to Marble Creek. The St Joe River Road (new NFD 50) is the abandoned railroad right-of-way of the Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound Railway on the North side of the St Joe River.
12.1	The road returns to packed gravel.
13.5	Continue to the right on Siberts Old River Rd.
17.4	This bridge will take you to the Avery Office of the St Joe Ranger District.
23.6	This is the intersection with the St Joe River Rd. If you turn right and cross the bridge you will see Potlatch Rd on your left. Potlatch Rd continues to follow the abandoned railroad right-of-way along the St Joe River. If you turn left you will come to the Marble Creek interpretive site (Elev. 2280) on your left. Here you can view artifacts of early 20 th century logging. There are rest rooms here.