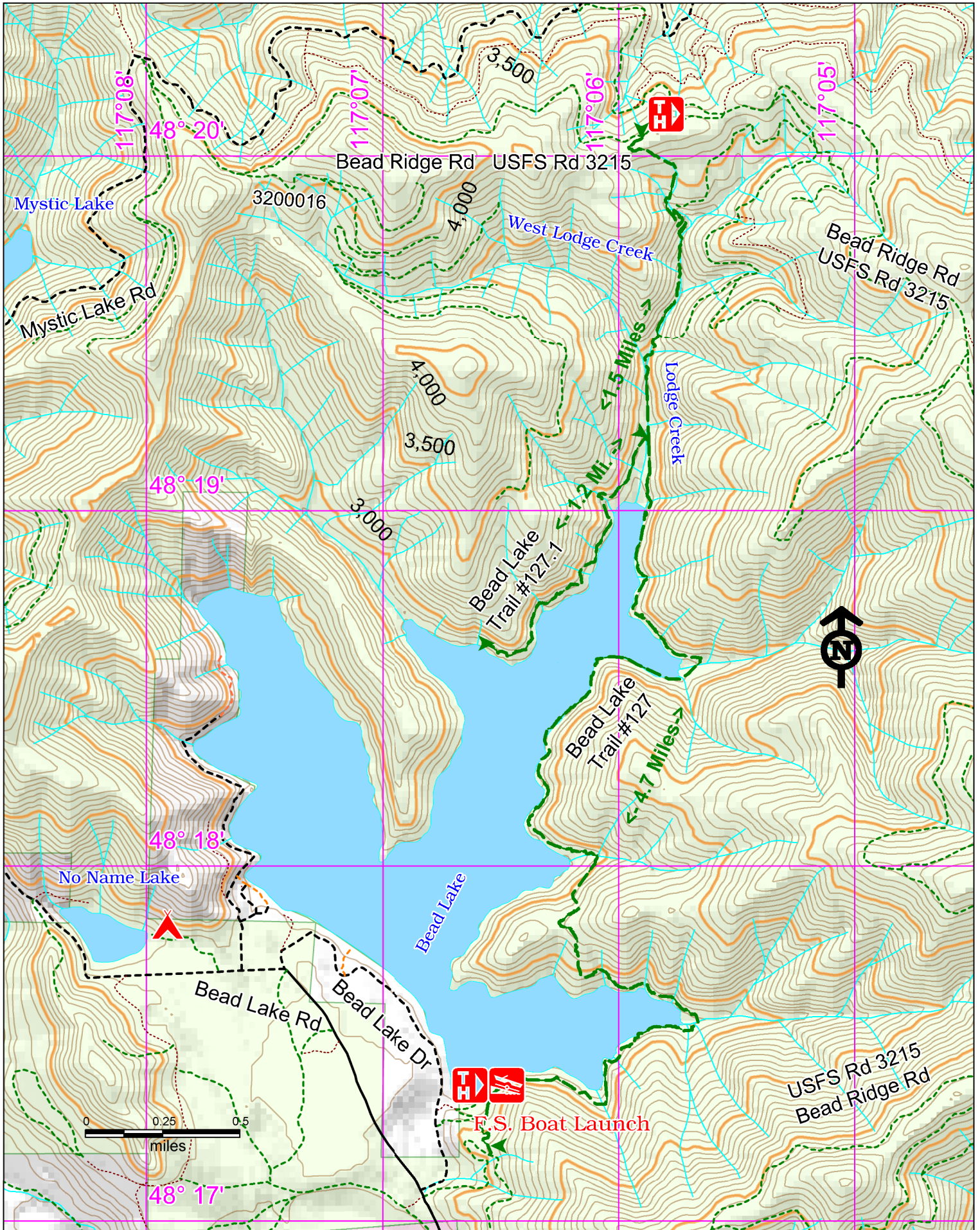


# Bead Lake Trail #127



**Access:**

From Hwy 2 and the Idaho/Washington State line drive east .4 miles. Turn left onto LeClerc Rd South and drive 2.8 miles to Bead Lake Rd. Turn right and drive 6.5 miles to Bead Lake Ridge Rd. Turn right and drive .5 miles to the no-fee trailhead. There is also fee parking with restrooms available at the Bead Lake Boat launch off Bead Lake Dr. Bead Lake Ridge Rd #3215 continues to the top of the trail. The upper trailhead can be reached off Mystic Lake Rd by turning onto Forest Service Rd #1113.



**Points of Interest**



North Bead Lake #127



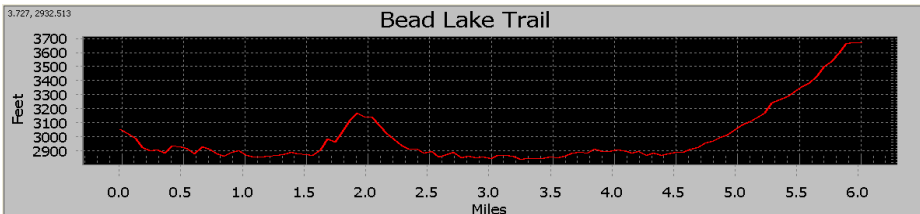
Bead Lake Ridge Rd and Bead Lake Dr

**History:**

Bead Lake was named by early settlers for the bead-like rock ledges that jut into the lake. The lake was formed by the Missoula Ice Age Floods. The same floods blocked and eventually reversed the direction of the Pend Oreille River. They pushed a rock dam up the valley where the lake is now that blocked it and formed the lake.

**Cautions:**

Be prepared for changes in weather. No swimming is allowed near the boat launch. The trail up Lodge Creek is a steady climb, be prepared.

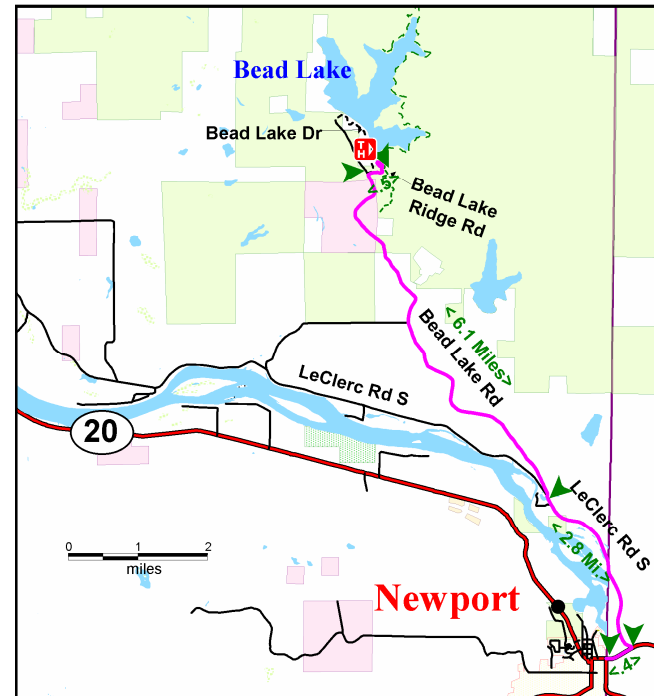


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Characteristics	Bead Lake
Elevation at Trailhead	3050 ft
Highest Point	3700 ft
Elevation Change	650 ft
Length	6.8 Miles
Difficulty	Easy along lake, moderate climb to top
Season	Spring, Summer, Fall

**Description:**

This is a popular and scenic hike. Because of the campsites along the shore, it makes a great overnight hike. The deep clear water and forest habitat make for a memorable trip. The lake is frozen in winter and ice fishing is allowed but an ice cap remains until late spring. Be sure to stop to see the giant white pine near Mosquito Creek.



Emergency phone number: 911

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