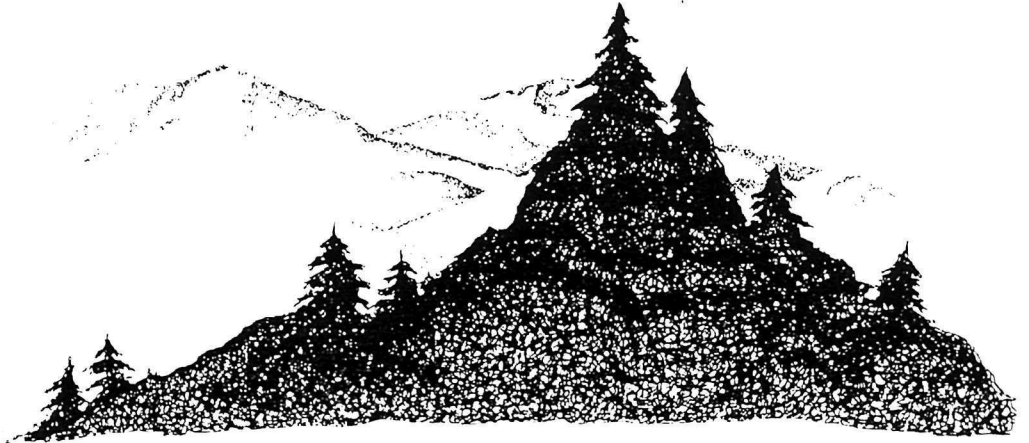


Newhalem Area Day Hikes Information



Welcome

Many hours can be spent exploring trails in the Newhalem vicinity. From valley paths to accessible boardwalks, there is variety and reward for everyone. **Be well prepared, have current information. Do you have proper shoes, clothes, first aid kit, extra water, food, map, flashlight? Be sure a responsible person knows your route and schedule.** Enjoy the North Cascades!

Sterling Munro Trail (1)

Trailhead is just outside the northwest corner of the North Cascades Visitor Center. This 330 foot boardwalk trail offers excellent views of the Picket Range up the Goodell Creek drainage. Wheelchair accessible.

Newhalem Creek Campground / Amphitheater Trail (2)

This .4 mile access trail connects the North Cascades Visitor Center to loops A & B in Newhalem Creek Campground, the amphitheater and trails: including the River Loop and "To Know a Tree" nature trails.

River Loop Trail (3)

The 1 mile loop west of Newhalem Creek Campground leads through a variety of forest growth to a peaceful river bar with sweeping views. Caution is advised near the Skagit River since it is extremely swift and cold.

"To Know a Tree" Nature Trail (4)

Accessible from points near the Newhalem Creek Campground entrance station and amphitheater. Mostly level, .5 miles, with packed gravel surface. Skirts the campground, follows the river, wanders among large trees, and lush understory growth. Find plaques interpreting common trees and plants along the way.

Lower Newhalem Creek Trail (5)

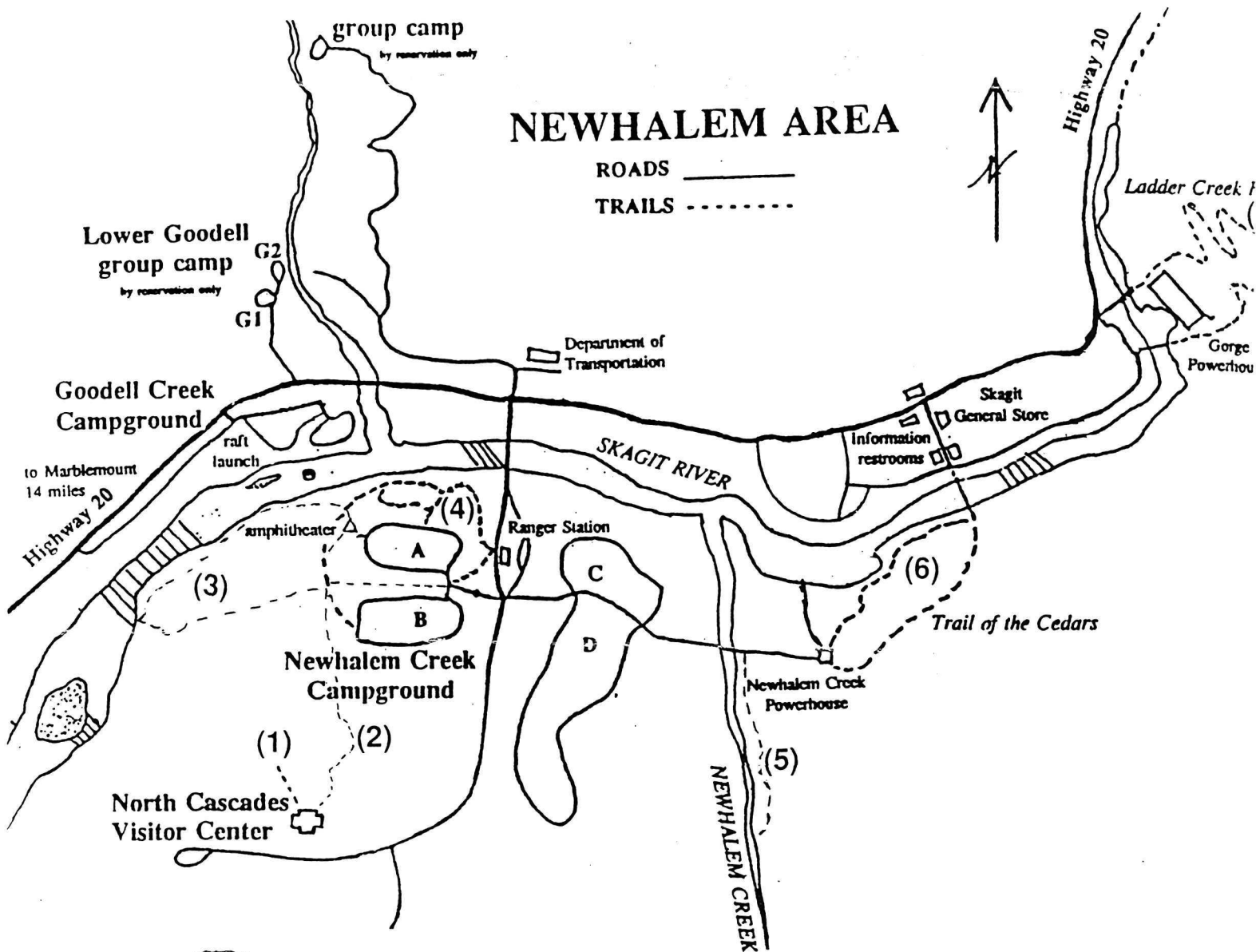
Starts .3 miles along the service road past Newhalem Campground loops C and D, 40 yards beyond the steel grated Newhalem Creek Bridge. Turn right on an unsigned trail. Narrow path with easy grades, .4 miles one way. Dense, young hemlock give way to a mature cedar/fir forest. Birds, chipmunks, ferns and moss. Ends at a lovely creekside glade.

**“Trail of the Cedars”
Nature Walk (6)**

(Courtesy of Seattle City Light.) Starts at the suspension bridge south of the store at Newhalem or from the Newhalem Creek Powerhouse at the end of the service road past C and D loops of Newhalem Campground. .3 mile level loop trail through large old cedars. Interpretive plaques.

**Ladder Creek Falls Trail
(7)**

(Courtesy of Seattle City Light.) Located behind Gorge Powerhouse in upper Newhalem. Cross suspension bridge to powerhouse, follow signs. Flower gardens, colored lights, beautiful pools and falls. .4 mile loop with some steep steps and handrails. Flashlight advisable at night.



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from the National Park Service Act of 1916