THE WINTON WEYDEMEYER WILDERNESS (PROPOSED)

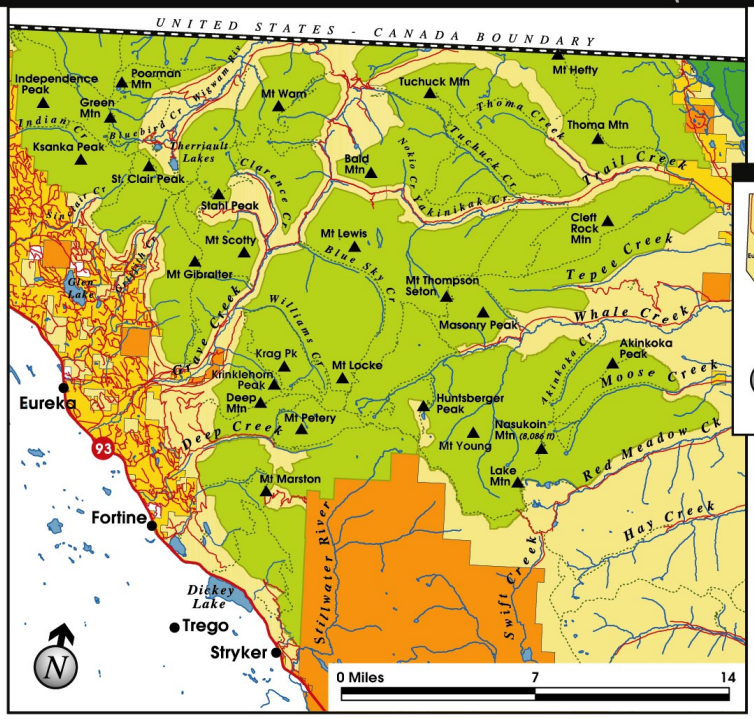
Montana's Wilderness Legacy

Montana conservation luminary, Winton Weydemeyer, first proposed a 485,000-acre wilderness for the Whitefish and Galton ranges in 1925, 39 years before the passage of the Wilderness Act. At that time, unbroken wilderness extended from Glacier National Park all the way to Eureka, and from Whitefish to the Canadian border. Today the heart of that magnificent wilderness still remains, a total of 171,000 acres.

Wilderness is a finite and invaluable resource of Montana and the world. Wilderness protects our headwaters, provides security for rare and endangered wildlife, is a living laboratory for the study of natural systems, and provides space to recreate and refresh our souls.

Wilderness also anchors our local quality of life and defines the Montana's psyche. Yet, of Montana's 93 million acres, only 3.4 million (a mere 3 percent!) is protected as wilderness.

The proposed Winton Weydemeyer Wilderness honors the conservation legacy of Winton Weydemeyer (1903-1992), Fortine rancher and tree farmer, Republican State Senator, Grange Steward, and life-long Montana conservation leader.



Proposed Winton Weydemeyer Wilderness
National Forest
State Land
Private Land
Glacier National Park
Roads
Lakes
Streams
Trails

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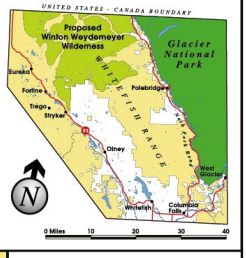

The Montana Wilderness Association works to protect wilderness, wildlife habitat, and traditional recreational opportunities for everyone. Please join us in this important work.

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