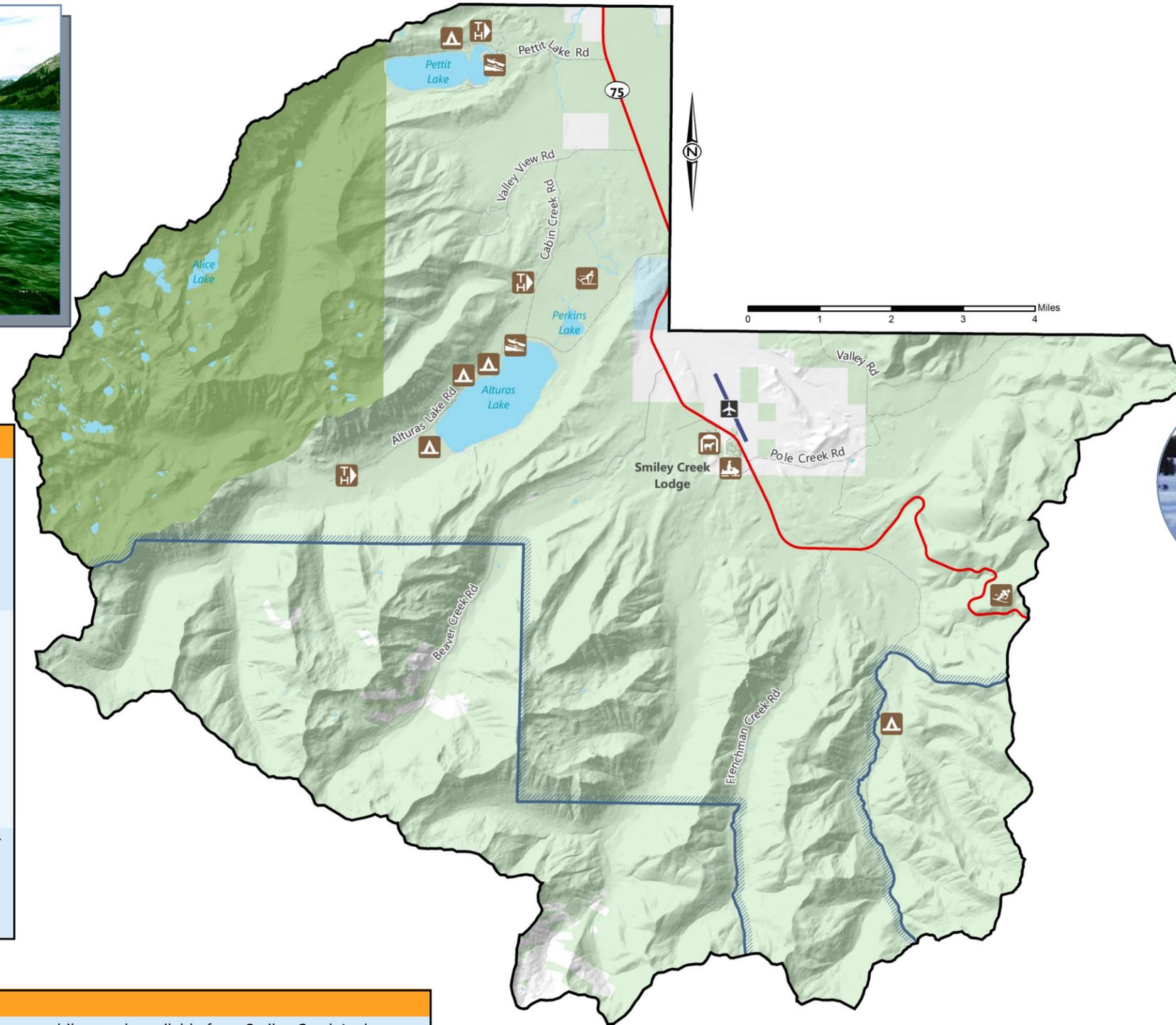




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Smiley Creek

Blaine County Comprehensive Plan Subarea



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Smiley Creek Subarea	
Cities or Towns	Small unincorporated commercial hub at Smiley Creek, with Smiley Creek Lodge & Restaurant, fuel sales, undeveloped seasonal public airport. Historic Sawtooth City, once an active mining community.
Public Lands	95% US Forest Service land, mostly within the Sawtooth National Recreation Area (SNRA) and including a small portion of the Sawtooth Wilderness. 5% private land, with much of valley floor protected by scenic easements. Only 300 acres (less than 1%) state owned.
Geography	Dramatic Sawtooth and Boulder Mountain views surrounding the high meadow Sawtooth Valley (highest elevation valley in Idaho).

Recreation	
Winter Activities	Guided snowmobile tours and snowmobile rentals available from Smiley Creek Lodge. Numerous groomed snowmobile trails and access points, with trails managed by the Sawtooth Community Winter Recreation Partnership in collaboration with SNRA. Nordic ski trails groomed by Sawtooth Ski Club and BCRD. Popular backcountry skiing area.
Summer Activities	Camping and boating at Pettit and Alturas Lakes. Popular hiking trailheads at Pettit, Alturas, Cabin Creek. Road biking on SH 75 over Galena Summit. Mountain biking at various points outside wilderness boundaries.; non-mechanized travel in Sawtooth Wilderness. Some areas subject to Travel Management Plans. Fishing on lakes and streams. Equestrian stables and trail riding at Smiley Creek. Fall big game hunting.
Rivers, Streams, and Lakes	Headwaters of the Salmon River, Alturas Lake Creek, Beaver Creek, Frenchman's Creek, Pole Creek, Smiley Creek, Alturas Lake, Pettit Lake, high altitude lakes including Alice Lake.

County Services Related to Recreation	
Waterways	2 sets of ADA accessible docks at Alturas Lake, shore launch only at Pettit Lake
Marine Patrol	Alturas and Pettit Lakes
Solid Waste and Recycling	Garbage, recycle and RV dump station at Smiley Creek
Road and Bridge	Seasonal grading on Pole Creek, Alturas and Pettit Lake Roads.

Legend	
	Alpine Skiing Destination
	Campground
	Equestrian/Stables
	Lake Access
	Nordic Trail System
	Public Land Access/Trailhead
	Snowmobile
	Airport
	Highway, Major Road
	Local Road
	Seasonal Road
	Subarea Boundary
	Sawtooth National Recreation Area
	Sawtooth Wilderness Area
	Private
	State
	U.S. Forest Service