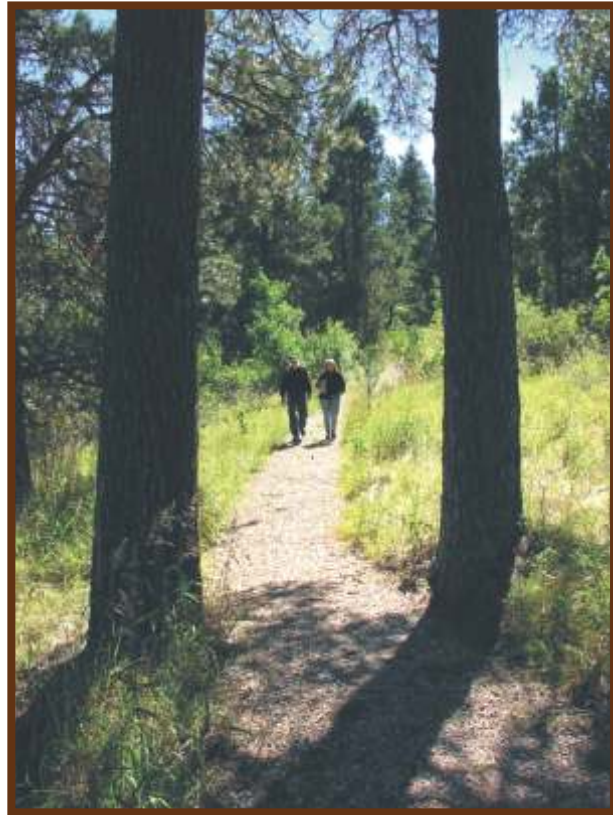









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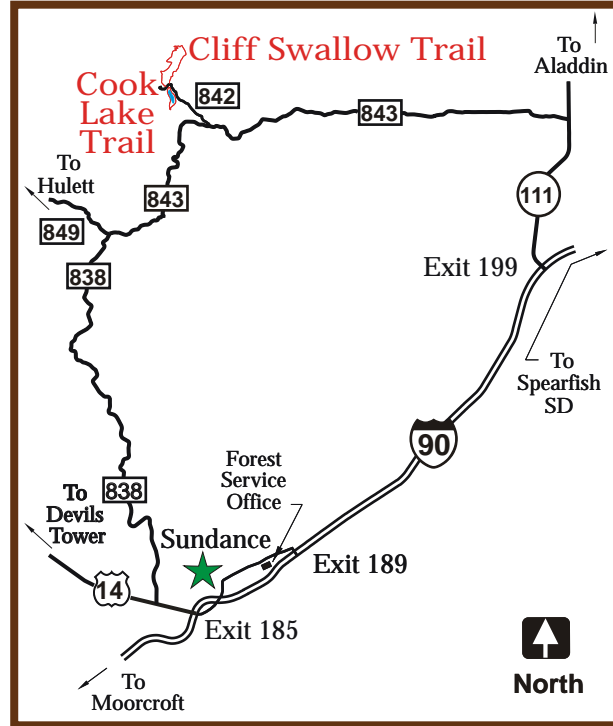
General Information

Location Map



-  **Trail Ethics**
Please do not cut across switchbacks or pioneer new trails.
-  **Extreme Weather**
Clear, sunny days can quickly turn into afternoon thunderstorms. Start trips early in the day and carry raingear.
-  **Stream and Spring Water**
Do not drink it! Each trail user should carry at least one quart of water.
-  **Horses**
This trail is not designed or maintained for horse use.
-  **Motors and Machines**
This trail is not maintained for the use of motorized vehicle traffic.
-  **Fire Safety**
The State of Wyoming allows open fires only if they are contained and not left unattended. Be sure that the fire is completely extinguished before leaving. Check with the local Forest Service Office for fire restrictions.
-  **\$** This recreation facility charges a day-use fee for parking at the trailheads.

Enjoy the National Forest, but please TREAD LIGHTLY and DON'T LITTER.



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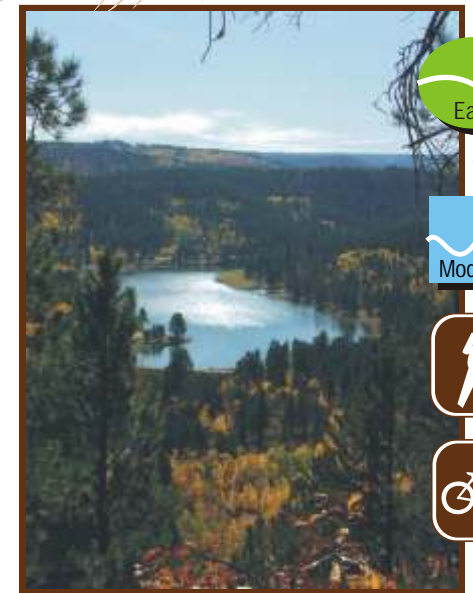
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Cook Lake and Cliff Swallow Trails

Trail Numbers 88 & 91



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Cook Lake and Cliff Swallow Trails

Easy

Cook Lake Trail

Elevation: 4,740 to 4,780 feet
 Length: 1.5 mile loop

Difficulty: Easy, with some stairs and a stepping-stone crossing of Beaver Creek.

Moderate

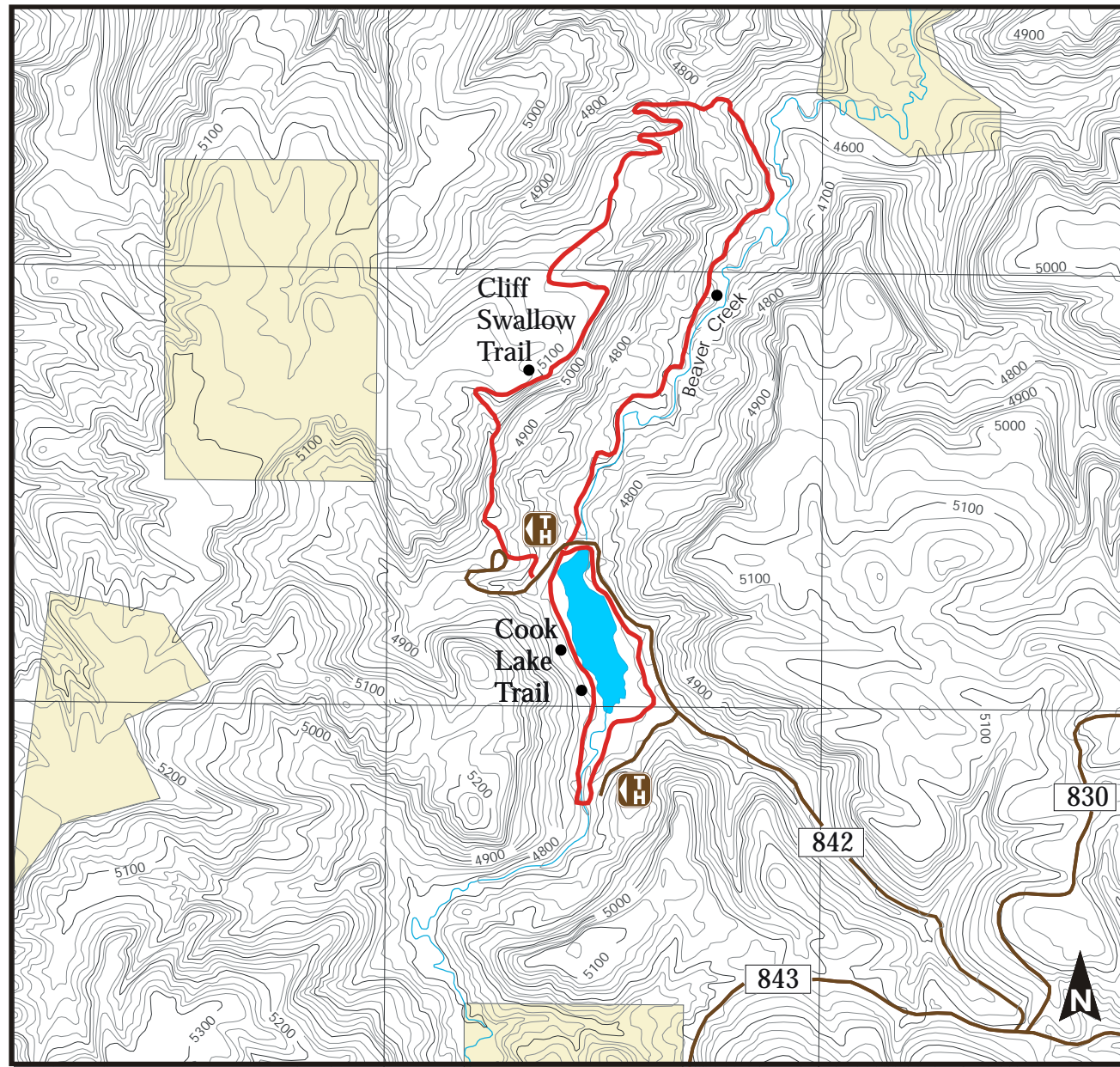
Cliff Swallow Trail

Elevation: 4,740 to 5,120 feet
 Length: 3.7 mile loop

Difficulty: Moderate

Location from Sundance: Take Highway 14 west one mile to FSR 838. Travel north on FSR 838 and 843 to FSR 842. Take FSR 842 one mile to the trailhead.

Location from Spearfish: Take I-90 west to Aladdin Exit 199. Travel north four miles on Highway 111 to FSR 843. Turn to the west on FSR 843 and travel to FSR 842. Take FSR 842 one mile to the trailhead.



MAP LEGEND	Trail	Scale - 2.5" = 1 mile	Trailhead
	Creek	Forest Service Road (FSR)	Bench Locations



Cliff Swallow

Cliff Swallows nest in the limestone bluffs above Beaver Creek. Look for gourd-shaped mud nests in the rock out-croppings below the ridge.

Other wildlife commonly seen along the trail include white-tailed deer, elk, and turkey. Along Beaver Creek watch for blue heron, beaver, and water dippers. High above, turkey vultures are often seen riding the thermal drafts.

Mountain lions, although rarely seen, also call this area home.