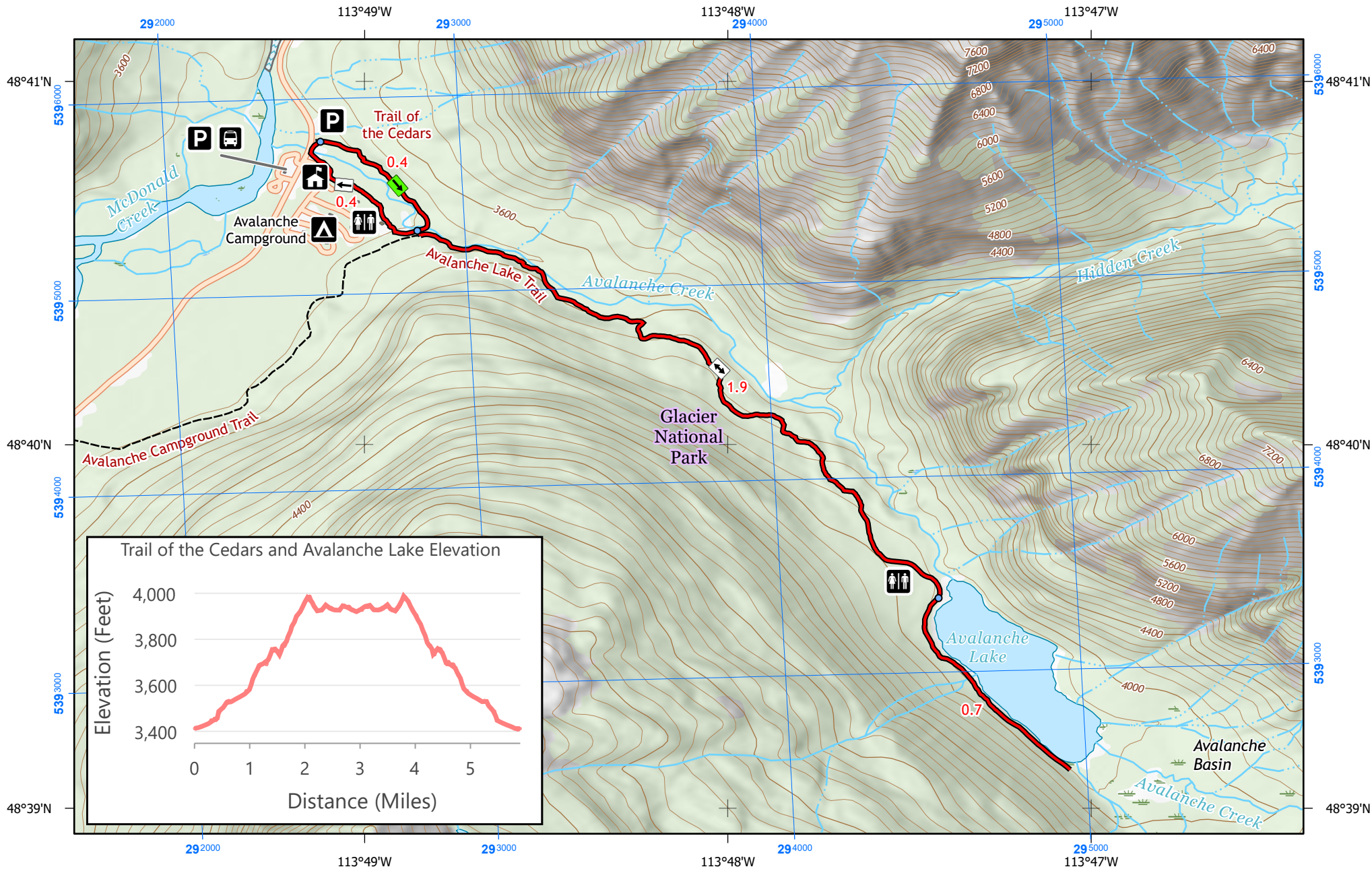
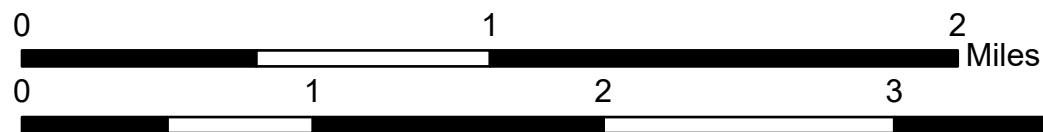




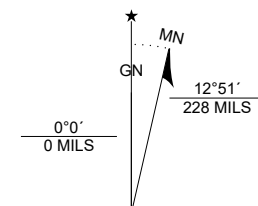
Glacier: Trail of the Cedars and Avalanche Lake Loop



Scale 1:26,000
 Distance 5.9 mi (9.5 km)
 Elevation ± 735 ft (224 m)
 GCS WGS 1984
 Contour Interval 40 feet

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 DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

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Type: Dayhike Reverse Lollipop Loop

Total Distance: 5.9 miles (9.5 km)

Cumulative Elevation

Gain/Loss: 735 feet (224 m)

Time: 6.5 hours

Trail Markings: Intersection signs

Difficulty: Moderate

Crowds: High

Water: Creeks and lakes

Highlights: Views, wildlife, gorge, water features, boardwalk

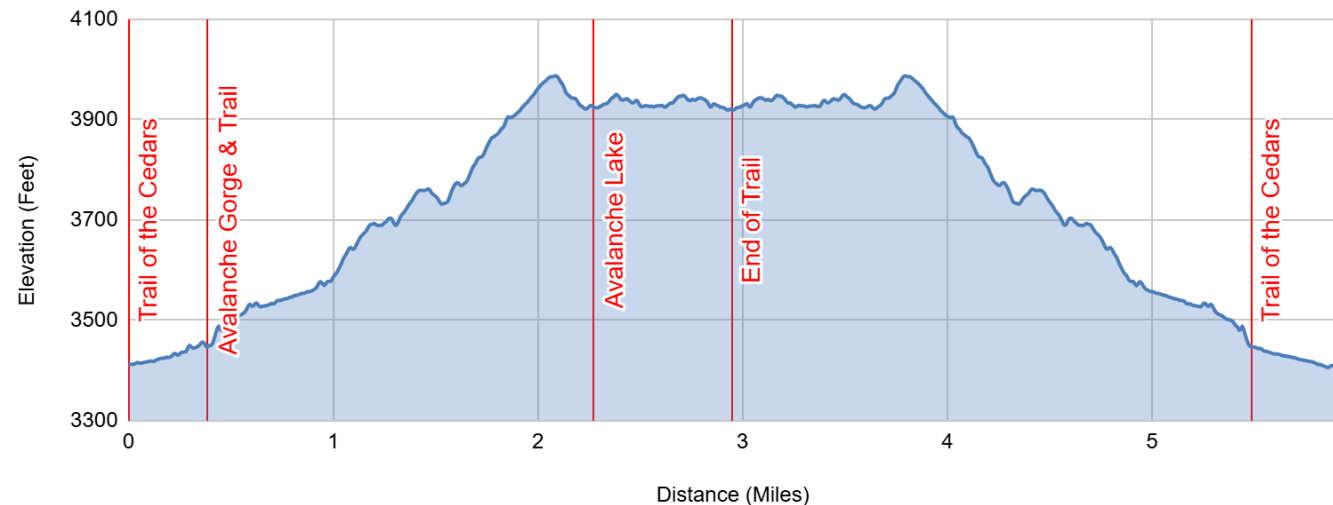
Directions to Trailhead:

48.680710, -113.819036

Notes: You can go either way on the Trail of the Cedars Loop

Trail of the Cedars and Avalanche Lake Loop Elevation (5.9 mi)

Calculated from 10m DEM resolution, Sampling Interval 25'



Trail Directions

- **0.0 mi** - From Trail of the Cedars Trailhead, on the northern side of Avalanche Creek, head clockwise on the trail. It will lead to a boardwalk through cedar, hemlock, and cottonwood forest.
- **0.4 mi** - Cross Avalanche Creek. Avalanche Gorge is on your left. About 100 feet further down the trail, turn left onto Avalanche Lake Trail. After another 100 feet, turn left to stay on Avalanche Lake Trail at the intersection with Avalanche Campground Trail. This section will then ascend over 500 feet to the lake.
- **2.3 mi** - You've arrived at the northern end (the foot) of Avalanche Lake, where water flows out. Stop to enjoy the beach as well as the lake and mountain views. Two outhouses are located nearby.
- **2.9 mi** - The official trail ends, and a social trail continues. A few minutes' walk takes you to the southern end of the lake (the head), where water flows into the lake. Another small beach is located here as well. Turn around when you want to head back.
- **5.5 mi** - Turn right at the intersection with Avalanche Campground Trail to continue on Avalanche Lake Trail. Go 100 feet, then turn left onto Trail of the Cedars. This is the second half of the loop. You'll pass a restroom and amphitheater along the way.
- **5.9 mi** - Back at the trailhead