

TRAIL HEAD DIRECTIONS

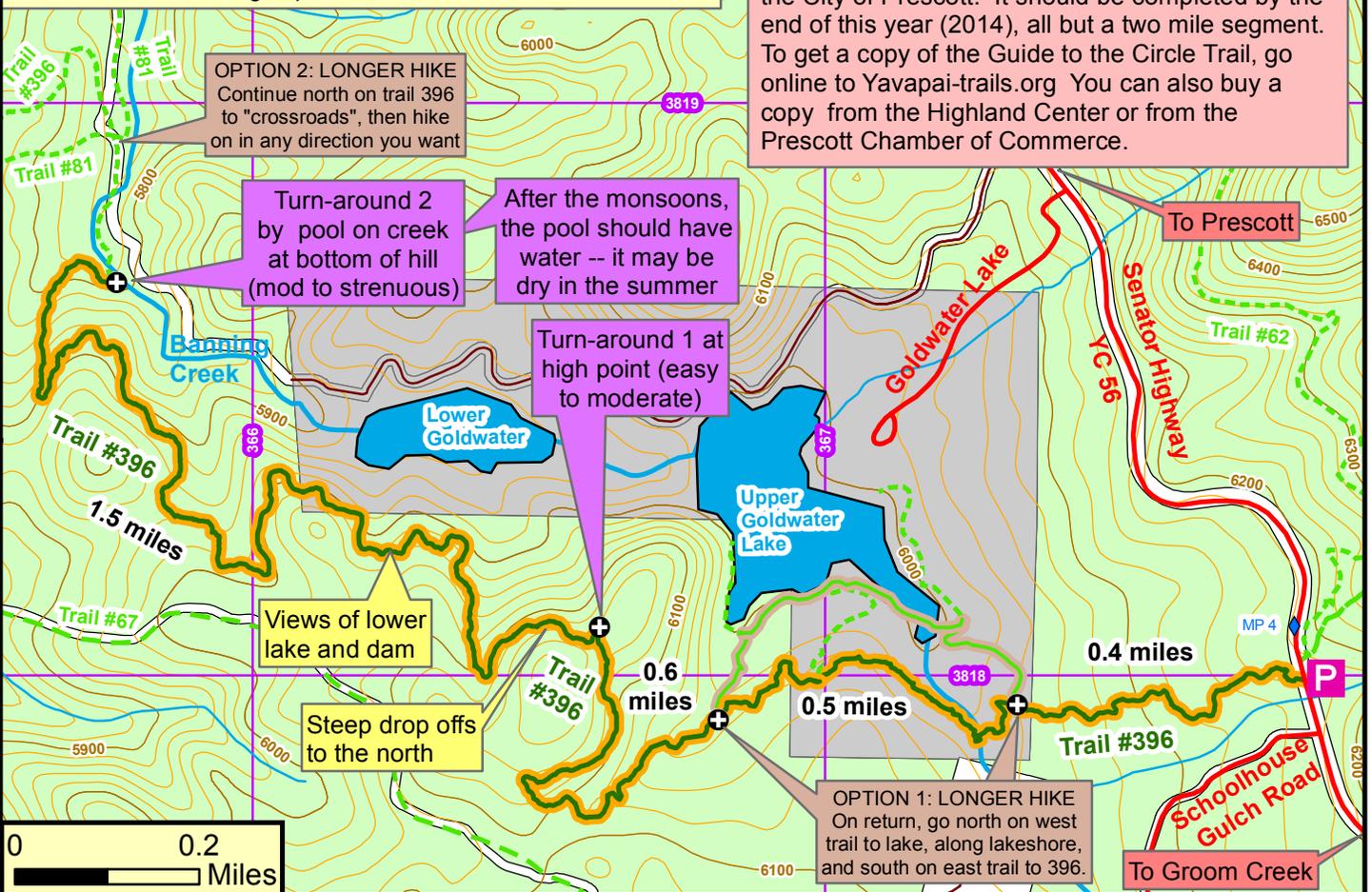
Distance Prescott to TH is 4.4 miles, all blacktop.
 Drive east on Gurley Street from Courthouse Square to Mount Vernon Street (0.4 mile) and turn right (south) at traffic light. Go 4 miles on Mount Vernon, which soon becomes the Senator Highway (YC 56). Park on left (east) on dirt lot just after MP 4.
 - Trail 396 is across the road – look out for traffic.
 - Go between short wooden posts to see the trail sign.
You can choose your out-and-back hiking distance:
 - Turn-around 1 total is 3.0 miles (easy-moderate)
 - Turn-around 2 total is 6.0 miles (moderate-strenuous)
 TH elevation is 6160 feet, low point is 5800 ft at turn-around 2.
Description: This trail is part of the Prescott Circle Trail. Trail 396 winds around a lot, with many drops and climbs. It is shaded by ponderosa pines along most of its route. There are occasional glimpses of the lakes between the trees.

HISTORICAL NOTE

Upper and Lower Goldwater Lakes are reservoirs, held back by dams. The lower lake was completed in 1923, the upper in 1932. At one time they provided 83% of Prescott's water. They were named for Morris Goldwater, the uncle of Senator Barry Goldwater. Morris was the mayor of Prescott a number of times, first in 1879 and he was instrumental in improving Prescott's water supply. The creek was named after William Banning who ranched in this area. He died in 1899. On some maps, the creek is misnamed "Bannon."

PRESCOTT CIRCLE TRAIL

This trail is about 50 miles long and goes all around the City of Prescott. It should be completed by the end of this year (2014), all but a two mile segment. To get a copy of the Guide to the Circle Trail, go online to Yavapai-trails.org. You can also buy a copy from the Highland Center or from the Prescott Chamber of Commerce.



5. Goldwater East

ROADS

- Surfaced Roads
- Dirt Roads

TRAILS 3

- SPREE Trail Route
- Optional SPREE trl
- Other trails
- Old Forest Road

LAND USE 5

- Private Land
- City Owned Land
- Prescott National Forest
- Parking (at trail head)
- Trail Point/Junction (with approx. mileages between points/junctions/parking)

Purple grids are for GPS (UTM NAD83)

Scale is 1:12,500

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