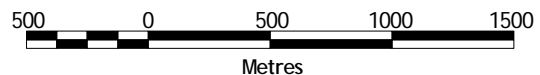


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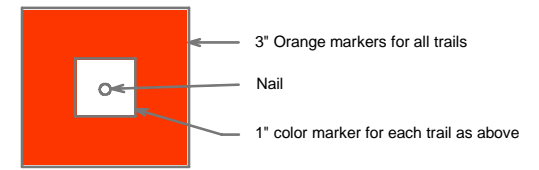
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* Corresponds to numbering in trail guidebook
"Along the Edge of the Salish Sea" by R.E. Walz

Symbol *	Trail Name	Field Marking	Length (km.)
●●●●●	24 Cable Trail	Blue	6.2
●●●●●	22 Mud Lake Trail	Gray	9.8
●●●●●	26 Holly Branch Trail	Blue/Green	5.2
●●●●●	19 Far Side Trail	Yellow	2.4
●●●●●	29 Suicide Creek Trail	Red	7.6
●●●●●	30 Sweetwater Creek Trail	Orange	5.3
●●●●●	25 Blackwater Creek Trail	Black	4.0
●●●●●	20 Green Road	Green	3.7
●●●●●	17 Blue Trail	Lt. Blue	2.4
●●●●●	17 Washout Trail	Lt. Blue	2.4
●●●●●	23 Taylor Way	White Markers	4.5
●●●●●	27 Granite Lake Trail	Brown	3.9
●●●●●	27 Hinogo Trail	Brown	1.5
●●●●●	27 Plantation Road	Brown	0.6
●●●●●	21 Haslam Lakeshore Trail	Gray	6.5
●●●●●	28 Lang Creek Trail	Olive	3.0

Main Road
 Other Road and/or No Driving Access
 Other Trail
 Creek
 Intermittent Creek
 Contours
 100m Index
 20m Intermediate
 Bridge
 Spot Elevation (meters)

TRAIL MARKERS



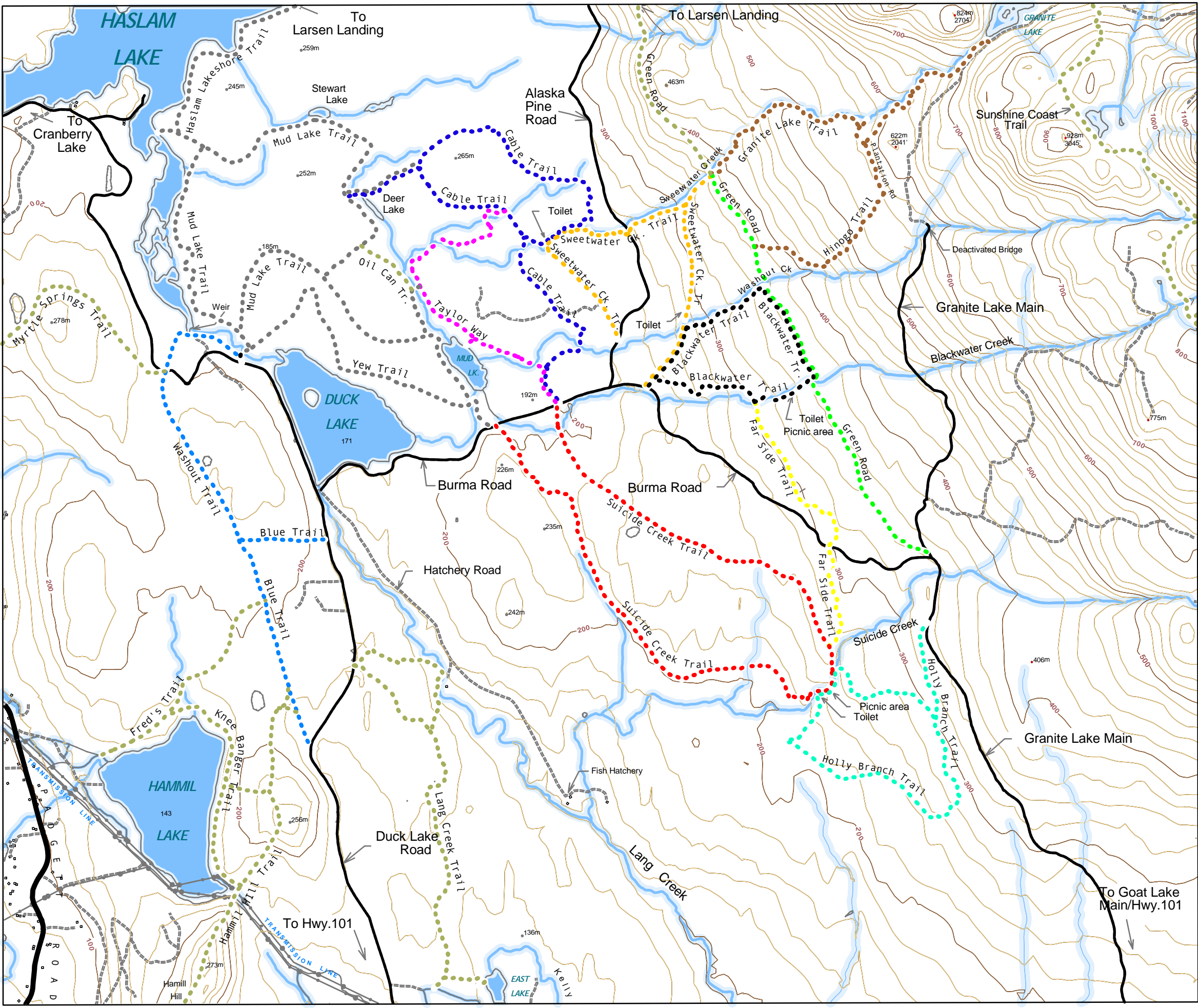
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TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

BLACKWATER CREEK TRAIL

- Difficulty: 3
- 4 km
- 1.5 hours
- Markers: Black on red
- Highlights: Several sets of waterfalls / beautiful gorges.
- Description: Drive from Duck Lake bridge east on Burma Road to the junction at Alaska Pine Road. Park your vehicle at the junction. Walk approximately 100 metres up Burma Road to the head of Sweetwater Creek and Blackwater Creek trails on your left. Follow the trail to the "Y" and keep right. Staying on the railway grade will take you to a point where the trail leaves the grade going up a hill and over to the crest overlooking the Blackwater Creek. The trail takes you along the creek, down into the gorge and across the bridge below Kelly Falls. Turn left at the top of the crest on the opposite side of the creek. The trail continues on leading you to David Lam Falls and a picnic site. There is a toilet at this site. From the picnic site the trail leads to Green Road (an old logging road). Turn left on Green and follow the road to Washout Creek. Turn left onto the trail following Washout Creek. Walk past the bridge crossing Washout Creek on your right (there is a toilet on the opposite side of the creek). Follow the old railway grade to where the trail begins off Burma Road.

BLUE TRAIL

- Difficulty: 1
- 2.4 km
- 45 minutes
- Markers: Light blue on red
- Highlights: Forest Service Interpretive Trail (handouts available at the Forest Service office at 7077 Duncan Street in Powell River).
- Description: The trail has two starting / finishing points on Duck Lake Forest Service Road. One is located at the old gravel pit with the concrete blocks planted like the heads of Easter Island. The second is found further down Duck Lake Forest Service Road in the center of a plantation harvested in the mid 1980's (the trail is on the west side of the Duck Lake Forest Service Road).

CABLE TRAIL

- Difficulty: 2
- 6.2 km
- 2.5 to 3 hrs.
- (cont.)

- Markers: Blue on red
- Highlights: MacGregor Falls / Sweetwater Creek
- Description: Park at the Cable Trail / Suicide Trail parking area on Burma Road. Follow the trail for a short distance and you will come to the junction of Taylor Way and the Cable Trail. Stay on the Cable Trail and you will come to several small bridges, one of these crosses Washout Creek. Carrying on, you cross an old logging road and later the bridge at Price's Crossing. The trail leads to the junction of the Cable Loop. Go straight ahead, keeping to the left, and you will come to an intersection of the other end of Taylor Way. A connector trail to Mud Lake Trail is found on the right further along Cable Trail. The trail continues looping back on itself coming back to and following Sweetwater Creek. You will pass the BOMB Squad Bridge on Sweetwater Creek and the adjacent toilet. Not far from the BOMB Squad Bridge you will come to the Cable Trail junction you passed earlier. Turn left and return from where you came crossing Price's Crossing over Sweetwater Creek eventually returning to the trailhead on Burma Road.

FAR SIDE TRAIL

- Difficulty: 1
- 2.4 km
- 1.5 hrs.
- Markers: Yellow on red
- Highlights: Blackwater Creek / Kelly Falls / Suicide Creek Trail
- Description: The trail crosses Burma Road approximately 1 kilometre west of Granite Lake Road. The northern section leads to Blackwater Creek. The southern section runs southerly terminating at Suicide Creek Trail.

GRANITE LAKE TRAIL

- Difficulty: 4
- 3.9 km
- 3-4 hrs.
- Markers: Brown on red
- Highlights: Bombers Bath, Sweetwater Creek, Granite Lake.
- Description: The trail is accessed by following Sweetwater Creek Trail from Alaska Pine Road to Green Road. Granite Lake Trail head is found to the south of Sweetwater Creek Trail when it meets Green Road. Granite Lake Trail follows along Sweetwater Creek past Bombers Bath and along Plantation (cont)

Road for a short distance. The trail turns off to the Northeast at the Granite Lake Trail / Plantation Road junction. From the junction the trail follows Sweetwater Creek to Granite Lake.

GREEN ROAD

- Difficulty: 1
- 3.7 km
- 1 hour
- Markers: Green on red
- Highlights: Access to Blackwater Creek, Hinogo, Granite Lake and Sweetwater Creek Trails.
- Description: The trail head is located at the junction of Burma and Granite Lake Roads. Green Road runs northwest off of this junction. The trail runs along the road crossing Blackwater Creek, Washout Creek, Hinogo Trail and Granite Lake Trail passing the junctions of the above mentioned trails ending at Sweetwater Creek Trail.

HASLAM LAKESHORE TRAIL

- Difficulty: 2
- 6.5 km
- 2.5 hours
- Markers: Grey on red
- Highlights: views of adjacent lake, swimming holes. This trail is an extension of Mud Lake Trail and can be accessed from Squirrel Crossing on Duck Lake Road, or from Larson Landing off Alaska Pine Road.

HOLLY BRANCH TRAIL

- Difficulty: 2
- 5.2 km
- 2.5 to 3 hrs.
- Markers: Blue / green on red
- Highlights: Bush walk / Suicide Creek / picnic table at creek.
- Description: The trail head is located on the Granite Lake Main, 1.5 km south of the Burma Road junction. A short distance along the trail you will come to a "Y". This trail is a loop and you can go either way and return to this spot. Going straight will eventually take you to a junction of the Suicide Creek Trail. The Suicide Creek Trail joins this trail for a short distance. Follow the creek past the picnic area and the toilet and up to the upper bridge. Turn right and follow the trail until you come to the junction you came to shortly after starting the hike. Turn left and follow the trail back to Granite Lake Main.

HINOGO TRAIL

- Difficulty: 3
- 1.5 km
- 1 hour
- Markers: Brown on red
- Highlights: alternate access to Plantation Road and Granite Lake Trail.
- Description: Hinogo Trail is a connector trail that leads from Green Road to Granite Lake Trail via Plantation Road. Hinogo Trail is accessed from Green Road which can be accessed from either Sweetwater Creek, Blackwater Creek trails or from the Burma / Granite Lake road junction. The junction of Green Road and Hinogo Trail is located a short distance from Washout Creek on Green Road between Washout and Sweetwater creeks. The trail runs easterly off Green Road and leads to Granite Lake Trail via Plantation Road.

MUD LAKE TRAIL

- Difficulty: 2
- 9.8 km
- 4 to 5 hours
- Markers: Grey on red
- Highlights: Mud Lake; Deer Lake Stuart Lake.
- Description: Start at Mud Lake / Suicide Creek parking lot on Burma Road. Cross the bridge spanning the creek that runs to Duck Lake. Follow the trail past Mud Lake, past the Taylor Way turn off to the right. Stay on the trail until the next right, marked with a sign Mud Lake Loop / Deer Lake. Follow this trail past Deer Lake, past the Cable Trail jct. and past Stewart Lake. Follow this trail and you will come to an old road, turn left and follow this until you come to a "Y". Turning right will take you to Haslam Slough and Duck Lake Road. Turning Left and staying on this trail will return you to Mud Lake parking lot. This hike can also be started at Squirrel Crossing from Duck Lake Road.

PLANTATION ROAD

- Difficulty: 1
- 0.6 km
- 20 minutes
- Markers: Brown on red
- Highlights: This old road connects Hinogo Trail to Granite Lake Trail.
- Description: Follow directions in Hinogo Trail description.

SUICIDE CREEK TRAIL

- Difficulty: 2
- 7.6 km
- 2.5 hours
- Markers: Red on red
- Highlights: Suicide Creek-two sets of waterfalls (Fern Falls & Mimulus Falls), picnic area and toilet.
- Description: Start at Mud Lake parking lot. Trail heads in a Southeast Direction for about 4 km coming to a footbridge above Fern Falls. Cross bridge, turn left; follow creek past picnic area and Mimulus falls to the upper bridge. Cross bridge turn right and follow the old railroad grade. The trail will take you back to the road. Turn left and follow the road for .33 km back to the Mud Lake parking lot.
Note: Care must be taken at Suicide Creek as Holly Branch Trail joins Suicide Creek Trail for a while and the Far Side Creek Trail also joins to Suicide Creek Trail in this area.

SWEETWATER CREEK TRAIL

- Difficulty: 3
- 5.3 km
- 2 hours
- Markers: Orange on red
- Highlights: Water falls; provides access to Green Road, Granite Lake Trail, Hinogo Trail and Blackwater Trail.
- Description: Park your vehicle at the intersection of Alaska Pine Road and Burma Road. Walk along the Alaska Pine Road for approximately 500 metres to a narrow side road on the left side where the trail head is located. Follow the road for a short distance; turn right onto an old railroad grade following it until you come to Sweetwater Creek. Here the trail narrows as it follows the creek past the BOMB Squad Bridge and crosses Alaska Pine Road heading up towards MacGregor Falls, Donnelley Falls and up to the Green Road. On the way you will have past the junction of Sweetwater Creek Trail on your right. You can take this trail or continue on to Green Road. If you continue on, turning right on Green Road leads you to the start of Granite Lake Trail / Hinogo Trail / Blackwater Creek Trail. Returning on the trail you came will take you back to the turn off to complete the Sweetwater Creek Trail. Follow the old railway grade back to the junction of Blackwater Creek Trail, which leads off to the left. Turn right to return to Burma Road. Turn right on Burma Road to return to your car.

TAYLOR WAY

- Difficulty: 2
- 4.5 km.
- 1.5 hrs.
- Markers: White on red
- Highlights: Variety of Bridges
- Description: This trails starts off and ends at the Cable Trail. Begin your hike on the Cable Trail off Burma Road. Walk a short distance along Cable Trail turning left at the Cable Trail / Taylor Way Loop junction. Following Taylor Way will take you across Simmon's Crossing at Washout Creek. Approximately mid way along Taylor Way the trail comes to a junction of the Mud Lake Trail system. Turning left at this junction will take you to the Mud Lake Trail system crossing Tsee Chuck Bridge crossing Sweetwater Creek on the way. Taylor Way continues to the right leading you to the Cable Trail crossing Phantom Crossing over Sweetwater Creek. Turning right on the Cable Trail leads back to Burma Road and the start of the Cable Trail.

WASHOUT TRAIL

- Difficulty: 1
- 2.4 km
- 45 minutes
- Markers: Light Blue on red
- Highlights: Rail to trail conversion. Second growth forest with evidence of historical logging. This trail is an extension of the Blue Trail leading to Duck Lake Road and on to Squirrel Crossing and the Mud Lake Trail system.

TRAIL GRADING SYSTEM

Difficulty Ratings:

- (1) **Easy, level walk (sturdy footwear recommended)**
- (2) **Moderate (sturdy footwear recommended)**
- (3) **Difficult, some muddy sections, exposed roots (hiking boots recommended)**
- (4) **More difficult, elevation gain (hiking boots recommended)**

SAFETY

Carry a map, a compass, and a first aid kit as a minimum. File a hiking plan with someone at home.

USE THE TRAILS AT YOUR OWN RISK.

NEVER BE A LITTER BUG!
Carry out what you carry in!