Agenda

September 24th Philosophy Walk (Merlin Nature Preserve)

· (9am – 9:05am) - MEETING SPOT & DRIVE (Silver City Saloon): Intro to Merlin & Philosophy Walks

· (9:05am – 9:20am) – Caravan to Launching Spot & Park (15 minutes)

· (9:20am – 9:35am) - LAUNCHING SPOT (Horse Trailer Hill at Plateau): Short Walk to top of Hill, Introduction of Speakers & Walk Topic, Get Bearing(s)

o Patricia, Mark, Bill (Introduction) — 10 minutes

o Bill (Location/Surroundings) - 5 minutes

· (9:35am – 9:50am) – Walk to Stop 1 (15 minutes)

· (9:50am – 10:05am) – STOP 1 (Crossroads to Homestead): Conservation Stewardship, Historical Figures, Other

o Patricia (Ecology, Earth Science in relationship to Conservation) - 5 minutes

o Mark (Environmental Ethics in relation to conservation) - 5 minutes

o Bill (Montana in relation to conservation) - 5 minutes

· (10:05am – 10:25am) – Walk to Stop 2 (20 minutes)

· (10:25am – 11:00am) -- STOP 2 (Homestead & Big Pond): Ecology/Earth Science, Relationship with Animals/Non-Human Animals + Environmental Ethics, Ethical Dilemmas

o Patricia (Ecology/Earth Science, Relationship with Animals/Non-Human Animals) - 15 minutes

o Mark (Environmental Ethics, Ethical Dilemmas) - 15 minutes

o Bill – The Map is not the Territory

· (11:00am – 11:30am) – Walk to Stop 3 (30 minutes)

· (11:30am – 11:45am) – STOP 3 (Small Pond): Conservation, Activists & Montana, Lay the groundwork for transition to hunting/tracking/ranching (that will take place on our next walk)

o Bill - 10 minutes (Corridors, Movement, Safety, Tolstoy)

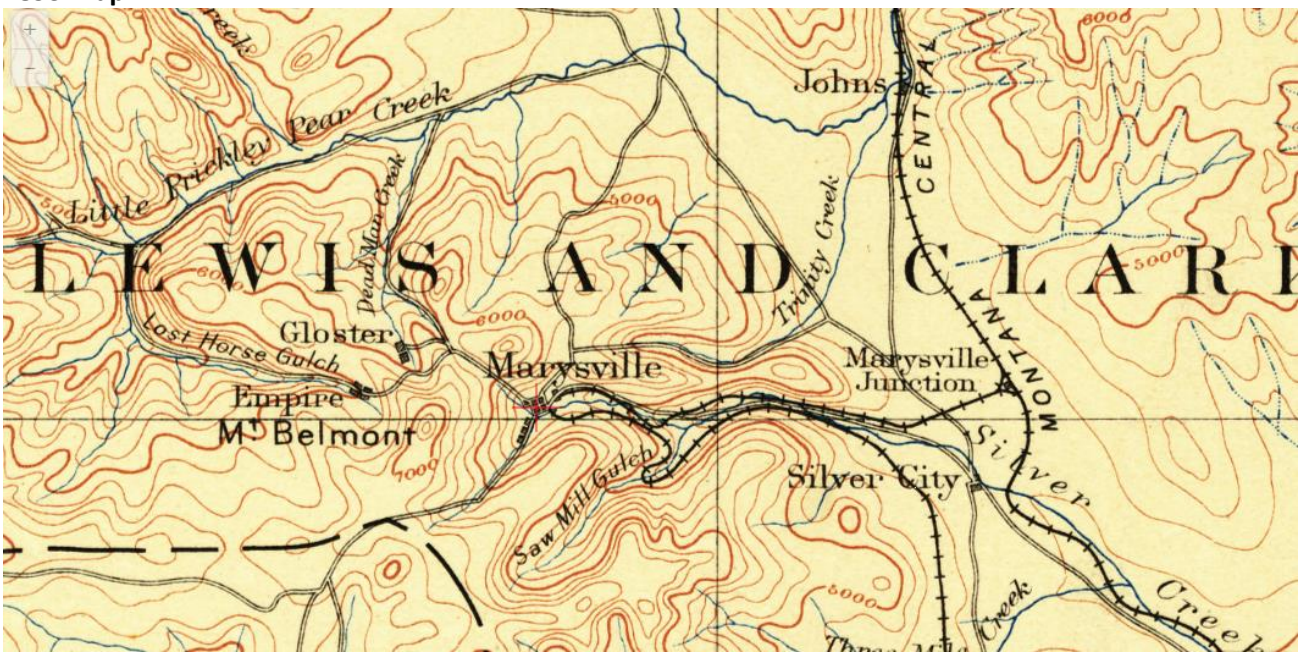
o Mark, Patricia

· (11:45am – 12:00am) – Walk to Stop 4 (15 minutes)

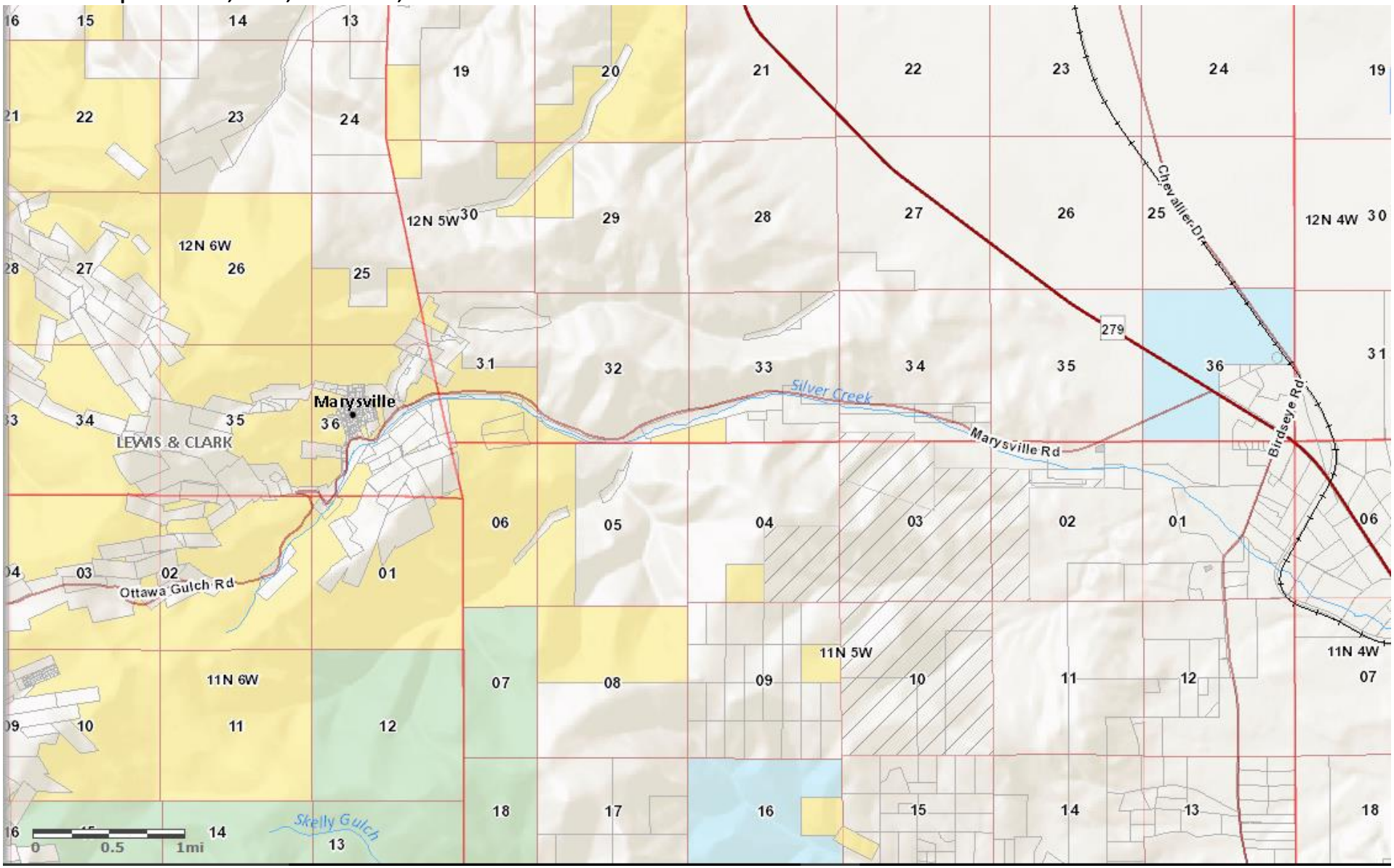
· (12:00pm – 12:0pm) -- STOP 4 (Horse Trailer Hill): Thank You's & Goodbye's

· (12:05pm – 12:15pm) – Caravan Out

1893 Map

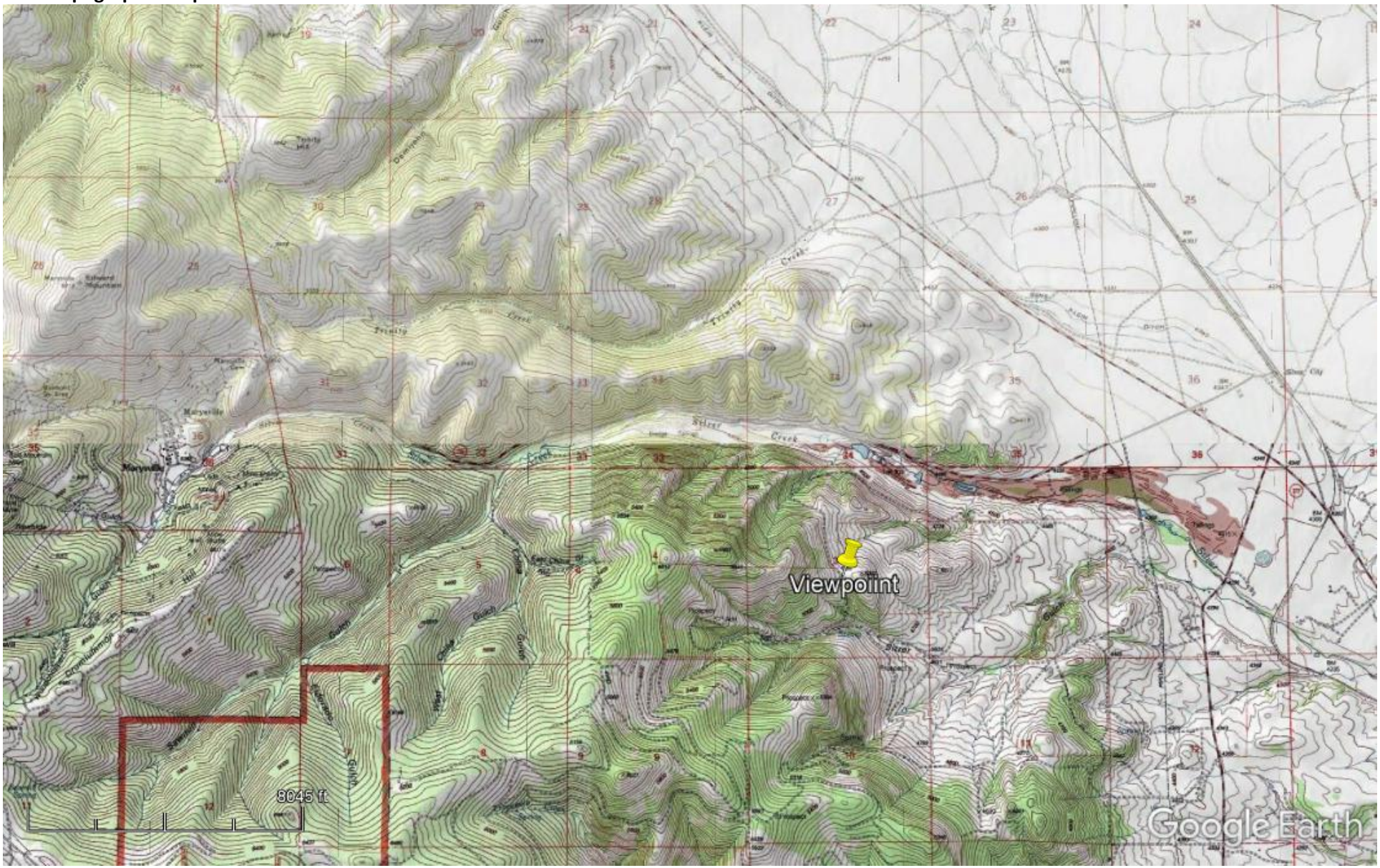


Cadastral Map. Preserves, Parks, Public Land, Conservation Easements.

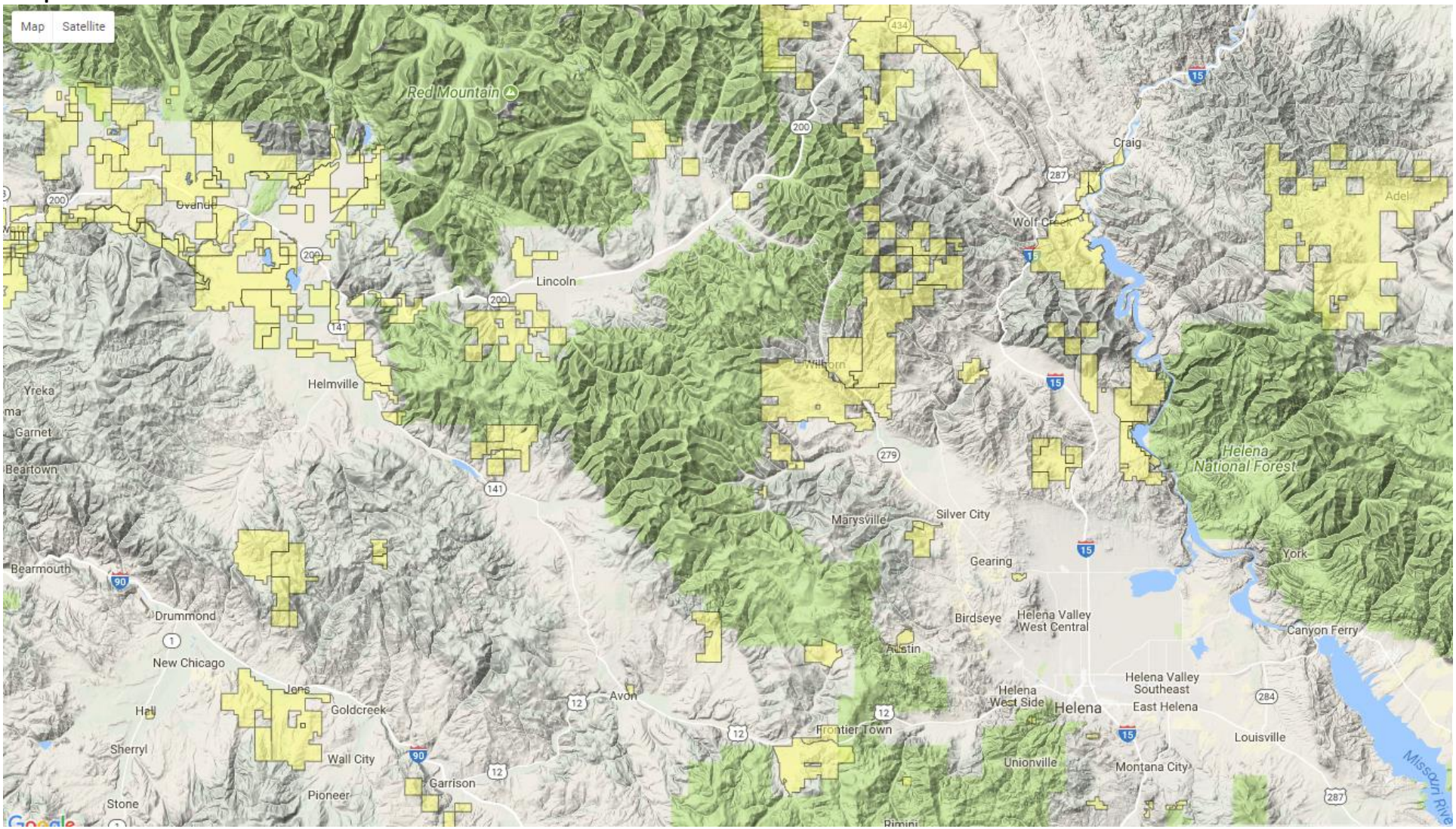


Satellite Overview

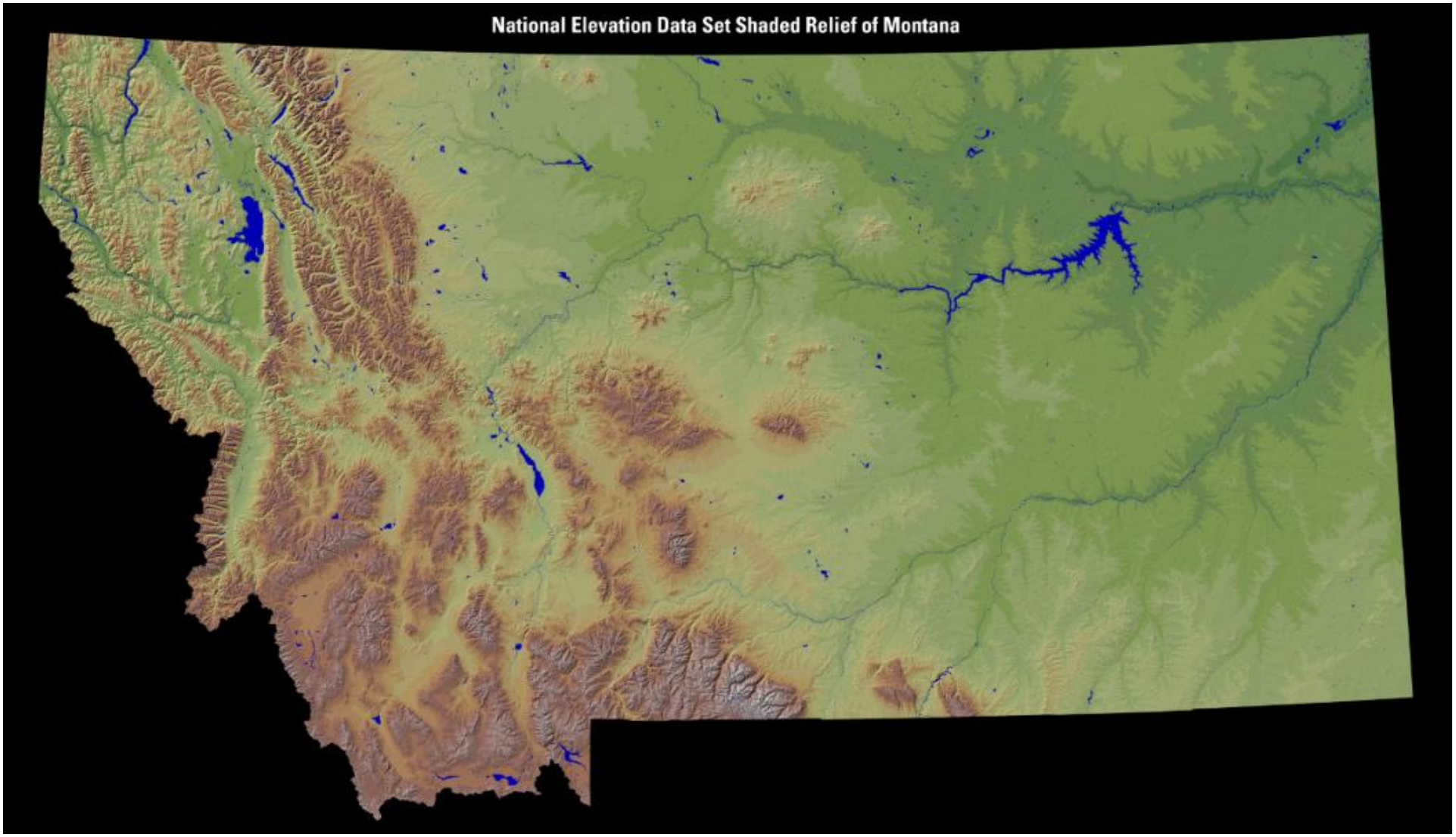
2016 Topographic Map



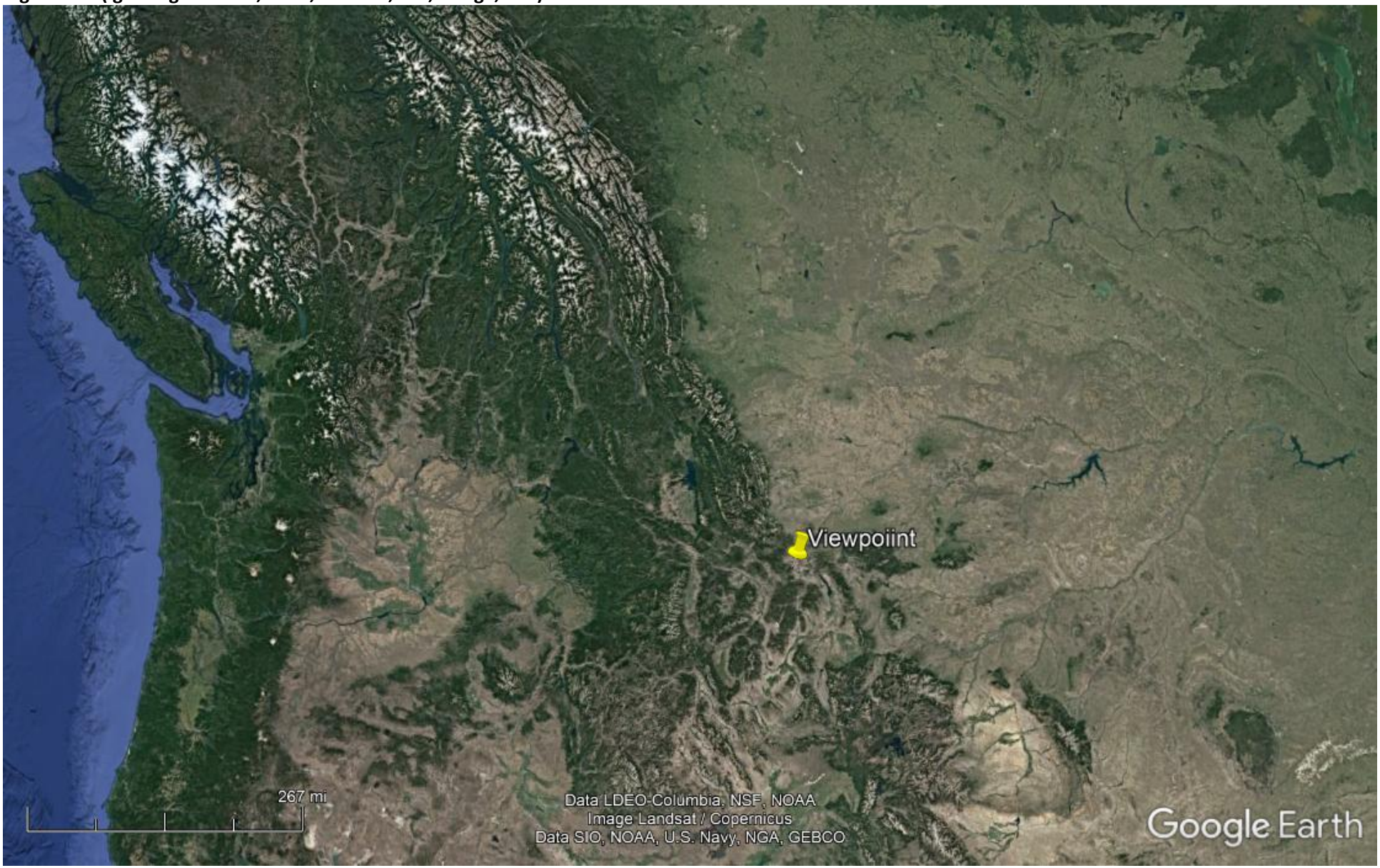
Independent Conservation Easements

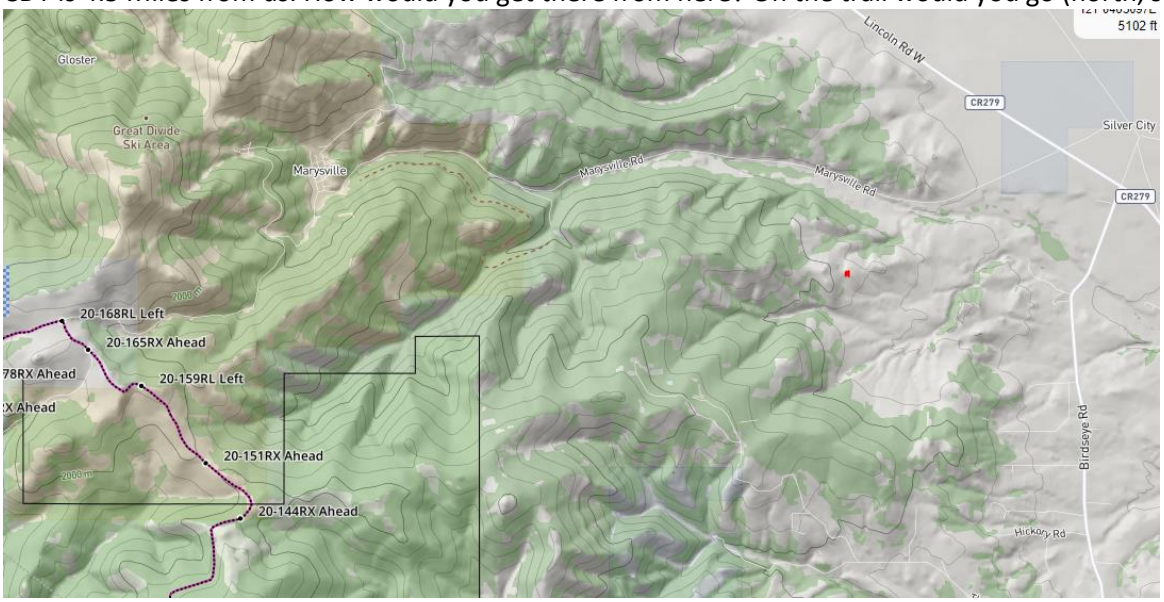


Source of 4th Longest River in Wold (Mississippi–Missouri–Jefferson - 6,275km)
Old North Trail
Island Ranges
Corridors



Big Picture (Ignoring weather, wind, seasons, fire, forage, etc.)



Continental Divide Trail (Walking Corridor)

CDT is 4.5 Miles from us. How would you get there from here? On the trail would you go (north, south, east, west)?