

## WARDNER/FORT STEELE AND MAUSE CREEK ROADS

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### Wardner/Fort Steele Road

Drive this quiet and scenic paved road along the base of the Steeples Mountains near the Kootenay River. It heads approximately southeast from Highway 93/95 near Fort Steele and meanders for 31 km to Highway 3/93 near Wardner. You can access this scenic highway from two directions.

**South access—from Highway 3/93** drive to the east side of the Lake Koocanusa bridge and turn left (northwest) on to Wardner/Fort Steele Road. It is also marked from this end by a Trout Hatchery sign.

**North access—from Fort Steele Heritage Town on Highway 93/95**, drive north for 300 m. Turn southeast (right) at the commercial campground and store on to Wardner/Fort Steele Road.

### To get to Mause Creek Road

Drive the Wardner/Fort Steele Road east (right) from Highway 93/95 to the Mause Creek turnoff (left) at 2.2 km. Continue on the rocky high-clearance Mause Creek Road to the Fisher Peak BC Forest Service trailhead and park at 10.1 km. The Mause Creek trailhead is another 3 km at 13.1 km. Park where the road crosses Mause Creek.

### Wardner/Fort Steele Road

- 0 km Wardner/Fort Steele Road starts at Highway 93/95
- 0.5 km **Wildhorse FS Road**—left (north) large gravel road
- 2.2 km **Mause Creek Road**—left (northeast) large gravel road
- 11 km **Sunken Creek**—left (north) at Horseshoe Lake (small sign) medium-sized gravel road
- 14.8 km Peckhams Lake—left
- 15 km Norbury Lake Provincial Park—right (campground)
- 21.6 km **Bull River Road**—left (east) large gravel road. Bull River Guest Ranch sign.
- 23.6 km Bull River bridge. (Trout Hatchery is 500 m northwest of the bridge.)
- 24.3 km **Pickering Hills**—left (north) small sandy road uphill
- 31.3 km Wardner/Fort Steele Road ends at Highway 3/93, just east of the Lake Koocanusa bridge.

### Mause Creek Road

- 0 km Mause Creek Road from Wardner/Fort Steele Road
- 0.4 km Turn left (north) on to Mause Creek Road (Maygard Road right). Drive by farms.
- 2.3 km Take left fork on Boulder Creek Road
- 3.7 km Take right fork (4-km sign at junction) Mause Creek FS Road
- 4.3 km Continue straight (four-way crossroads), cross cattleguard
- 5.7 km Take left fork on the main road. The road gets very rough and rocky. Several graded water-bars slice across the road.
- 10.1 km **Fisher Peak** trailhead
- 13.1 km **Mause Creek** trailhead