



Basin Campsite to Watagan Creek Road

(Awabakal Country)



5 h to 6 h



2 h 30 min to 3 h 45 min



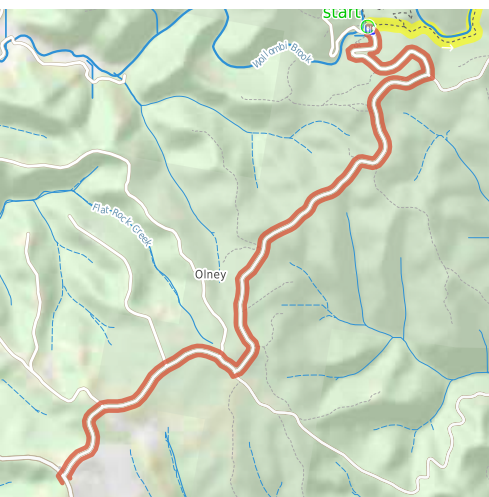
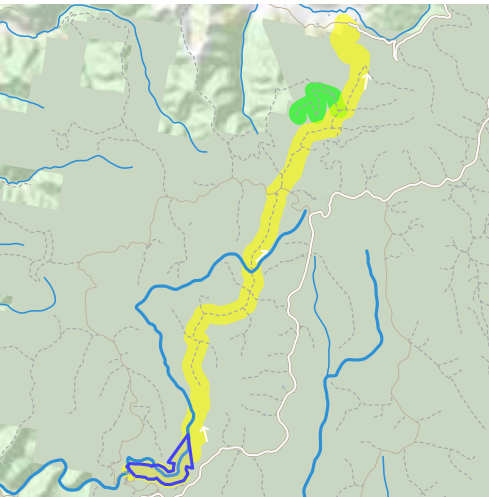
12.4 km
One way



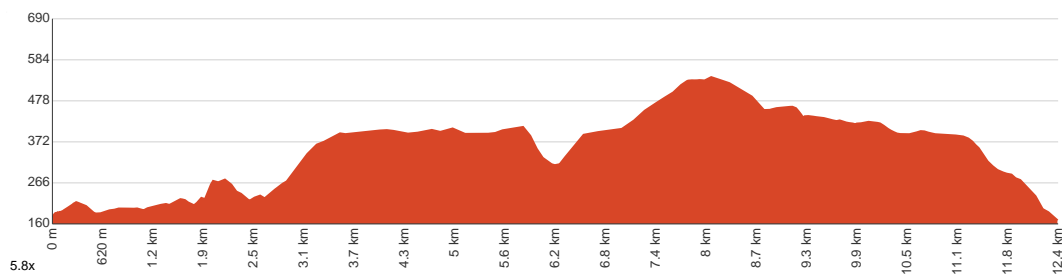
↑ 643 m
↓ 651 m



Hard track



This section of the Great North Walk starts from the Basin campsite in the Olney State Forest and winds north into the Watagans, via the Warrawolong Flora Reserve. This walk also offers a side trip from Turners Road up to the top of Mt Warrawolong, which is the highest point along the Great North Walk. The walk finishes at the Watagan Creek Road and gives a nice opportunity for that quiet drive in the country. Let us begin by acknowledging the Awabakal people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



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Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely

Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)
Experience Required	Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From George Downes Drive, 33

- Turn on to Walkers Ridge Road then drive for 2.2 km
- Turn left onto Walkers Ridge Road and drive for another 3.7 km
- Turn left onto Basin Forest Road and drive for another 1.3 km

Before you start any journey ensure you;

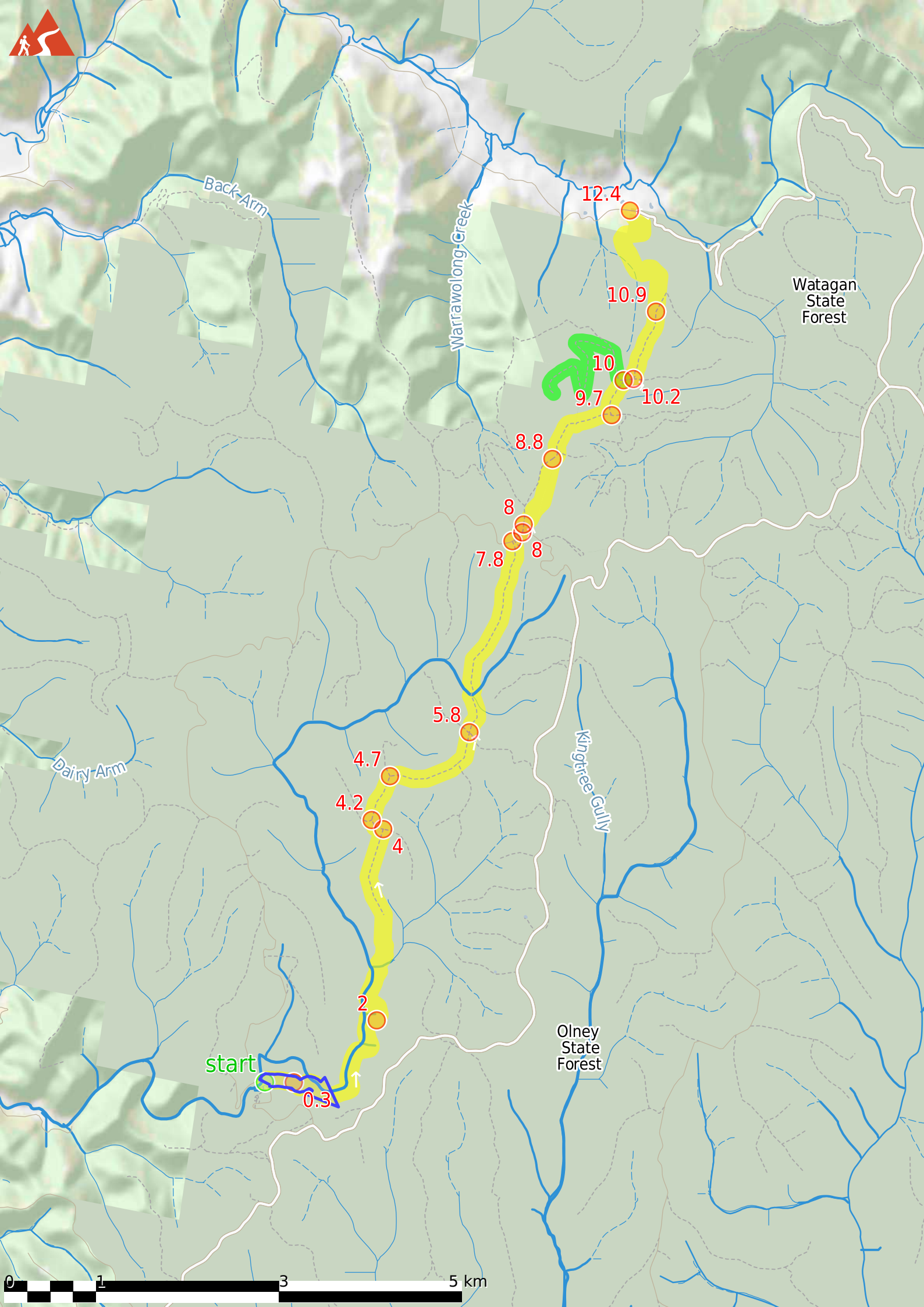
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

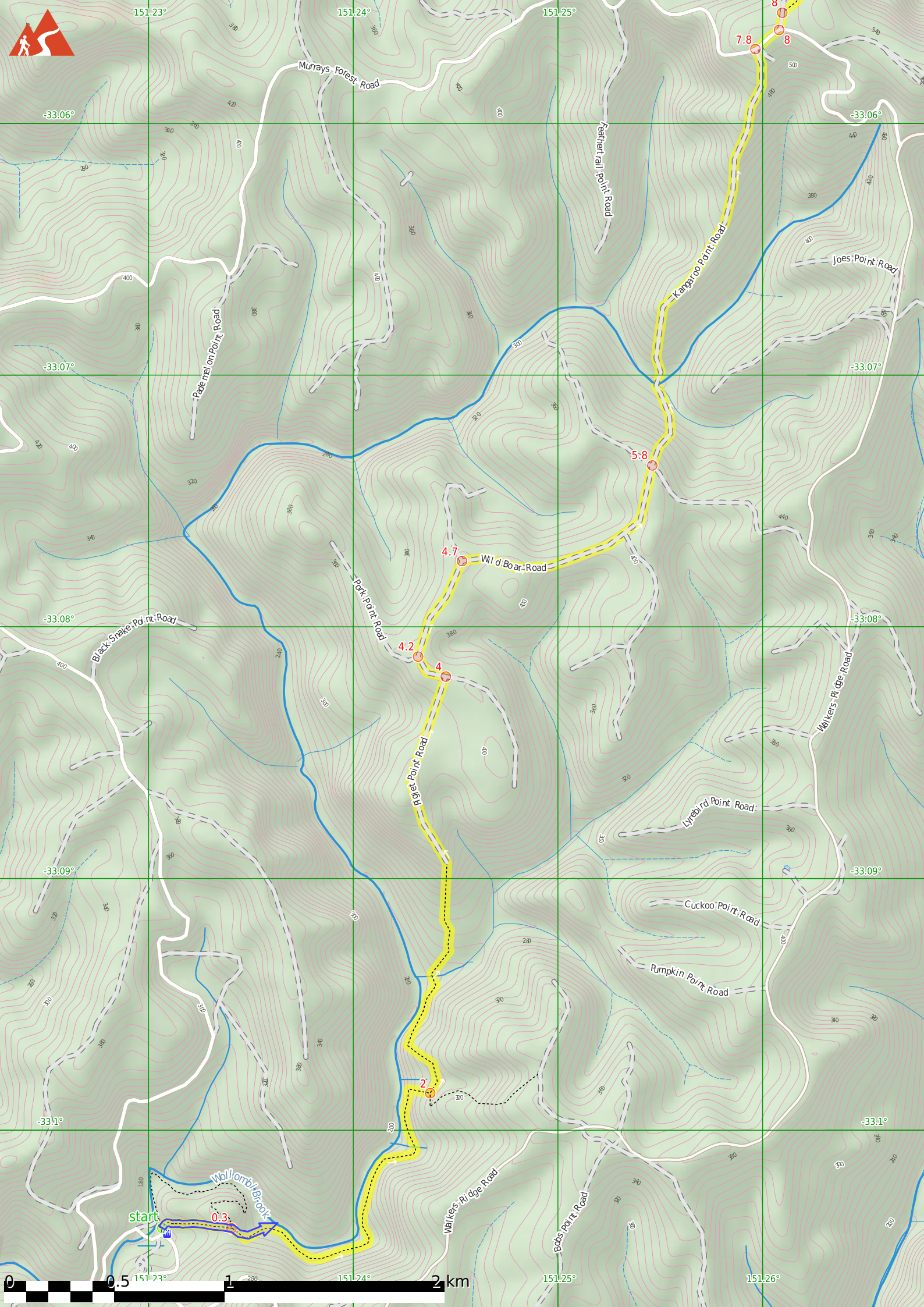
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

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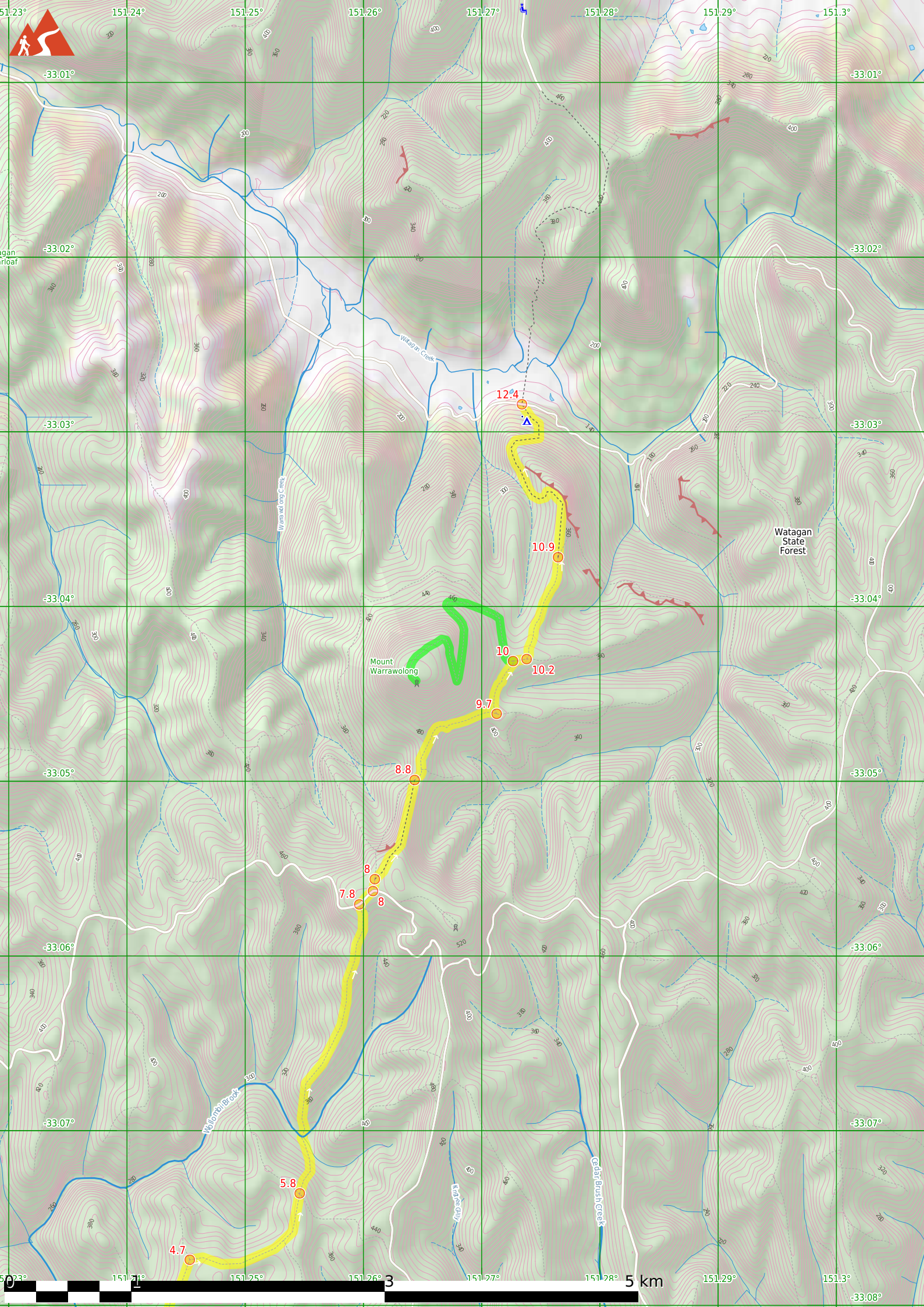


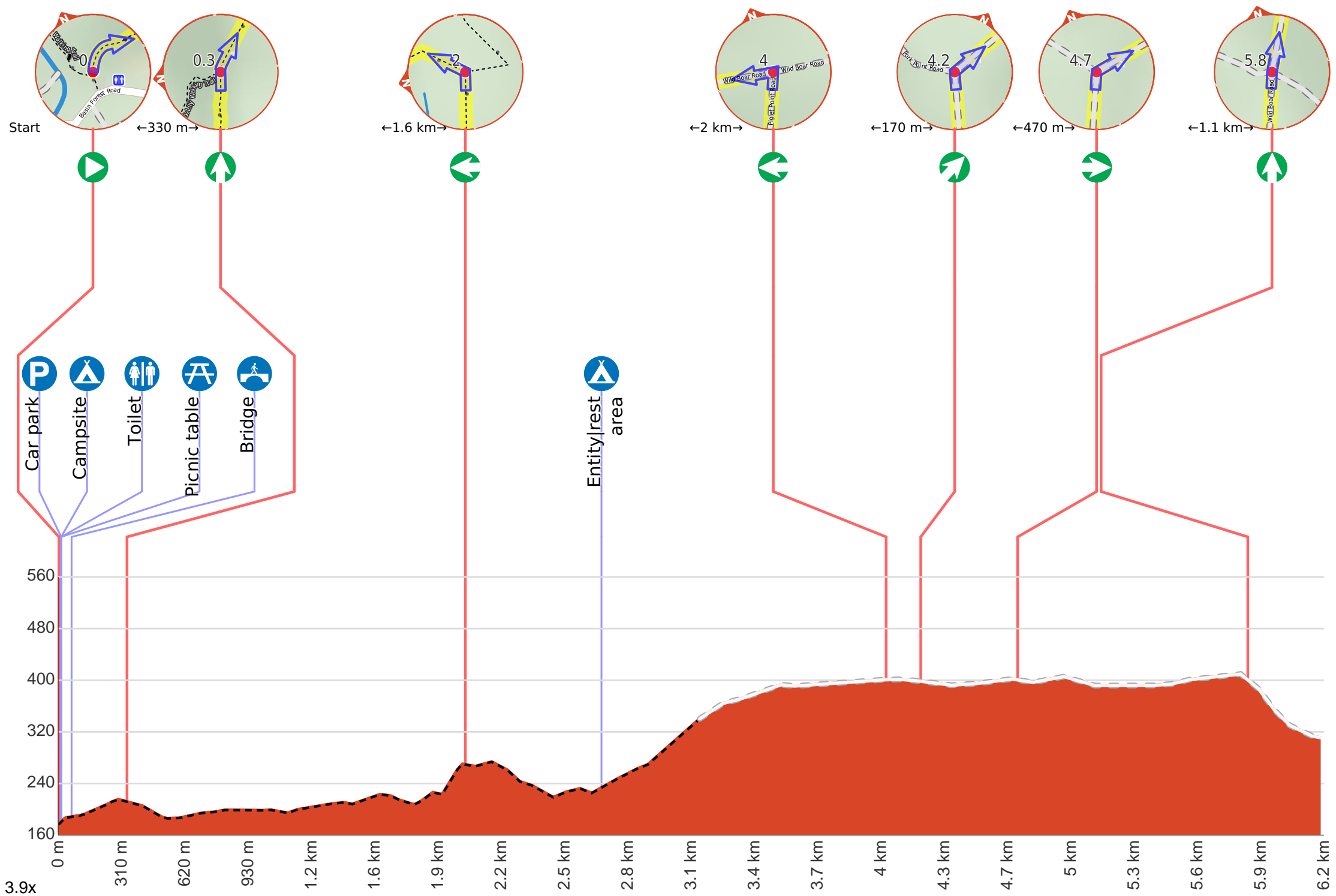


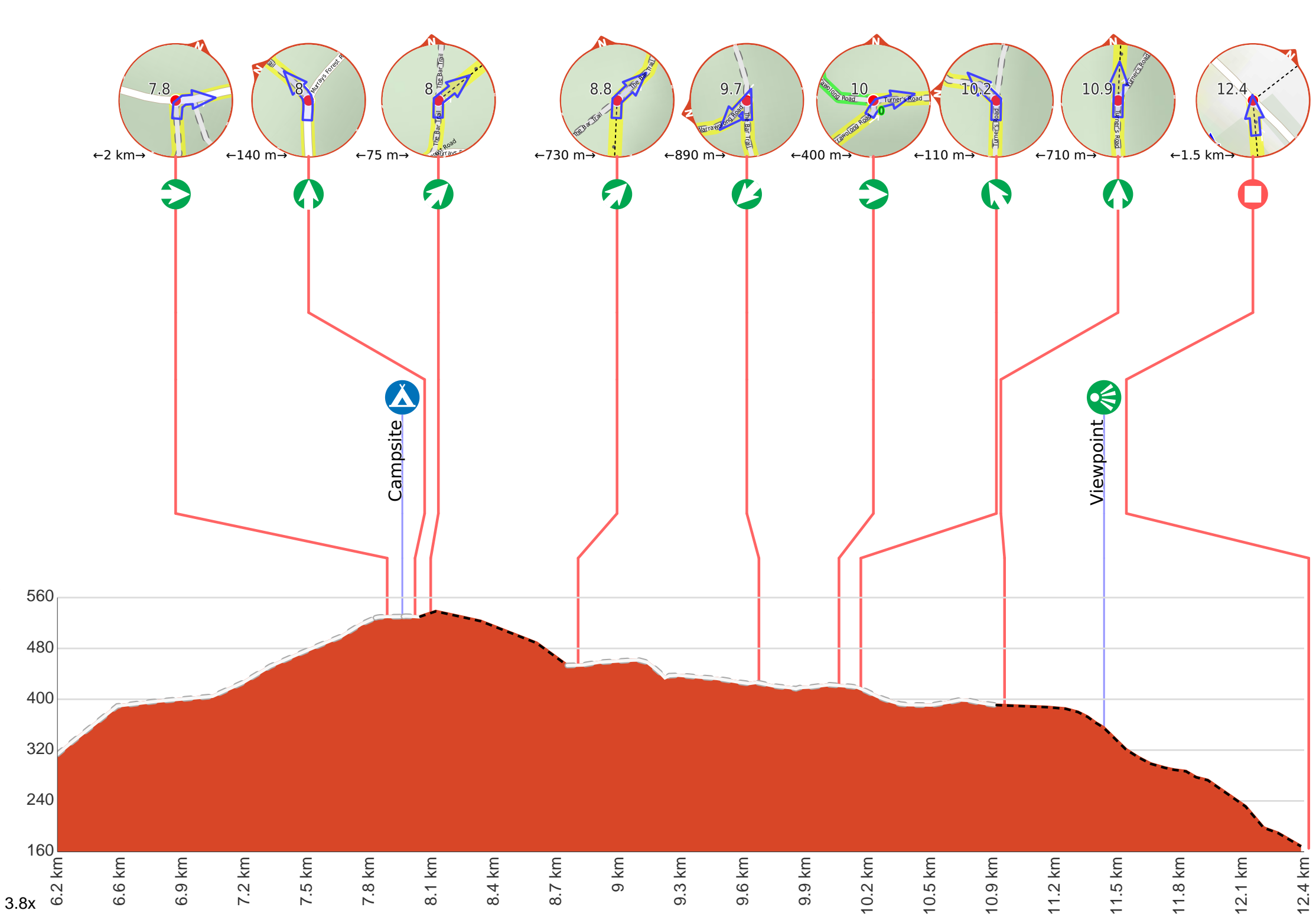
start

Wollomb Brook

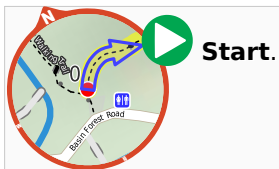








Getting started: From the Basin campsite, this walk follows 'The Great North walk' sign, gently uphill, initially keeping the campsite on your right. The walk continues through tall open forest for about 300m, until coming to a saddle, with a GNW arrow marker (pointing ahead) and a 'The Basin Camping Area' sign (Rock Lilly Trail, on the left).



P After 10 m pass the car park (10 m on your left).

A Then find the "Basin Campsite" (25 m on your left).



This large campsite sits by Wollombi Brook on the Great North Walk and is accessible by car. The campsite provides a range of facilities such as a pit toilet, picnic tables and chairs, wood BBQs and fireplaces. Water is usually available from the water tank or the nearby creek - treat before use.

U Then pass the toilet (40 m on your left).

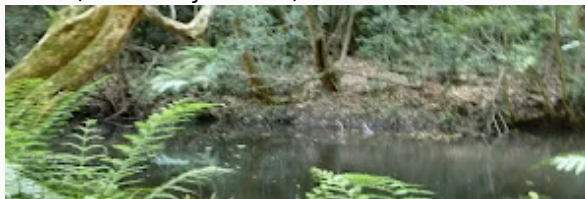
A Then pass the picnic table (15 m on your left).

A After another 50 m cross the bridge

A After another 270 m **continue straight**.

A After another 1.6 km **turn left**, to head along Cedar Brush Walk.

A After another 660 m find the "Wollombi Brook Pool" (40 m on your left).



The Wollombi Brook pool is located where two creeks come together and is a deep pool surrounded by moist cool forest. On a hot day, this spot would make an ideal resting spot or place for a cooling swim.

A After another 1.4 km (at the intersection of Wild Boar Road & Piglet Point Road) **turn left**, to head along Wild Boar Road.

A After another 170 m (at the intersection of Wild Boar Road & Pork Point Road) **veer right**, to head along Wild Boar Road.

A After another 470 m (at the intersection of Wild Boar Road & Bacon Point Road) **turn right**, to head along Wild Boar Road.

A After another 780 m **continue straight**, to head along Wild Boar Road.

A After another 340 m (at the intersection of Kangaroo Point Road & Pig and Sow Ridge Road) **continue straight**, to head along Kangaroo Point Road.

A After another 490 m cross the ford.

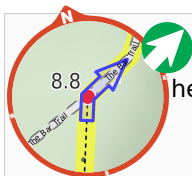
A After another 1.5 km (at the intersection of Murrays Forest Road & Kangaroo Point Road) **turn right**, to head along Murrays Forest Road (a vehicle track).

A After another 20 m **continue straight**, to head along Murrays Forest Road.

A After another 55 m find the "Mt Warrawolong Campsite" (55 m on your left). This relatively small campsite is a flat open clearing a stones throw away from the dirt road with a small fire pit and enough room to comfortably pitch three tents. There is no water available at this campsite so you will need to make sure you have enough to last until you get to the next water source.

A After another 65 m (at the intersection of Murrays Forest Road & The Bar Trail) **continue straight**, to head along The Bar Trail (a vehicle track).

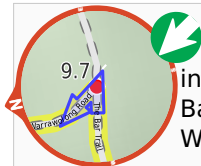
A After another 75 m **veer right**.



After another 730 m **veer right**, to head along The Bar Trail.



After another 95 m **continue straight**, to head along The Bar Trail.



After another 800 m (at the intersection of Warrawolong Road & The Bar Trail) **turn sharp left**, to head along Warrawolong Road.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Mt Warrawolong Fire Tower.



To start this optional side trip turn left here. **Start.**



After another 320 m **veer left**.



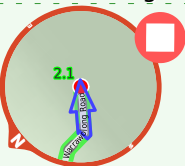
After another 120 m head through/around the gate.



After another 1.6 km come to "Mt Warrawolong".



At 642m above sea level, Mount Warrawolong is the highest point along the Great North Walk.



The end.



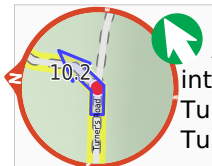
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 2.1 km to the main route.



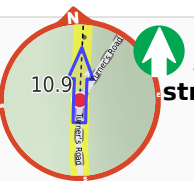
Back at the main route turn around and follow on from the 10 km waypoint.



After another 400 m (at the intersection of Turner's Road & Warrawolong Road) **turn right**, to head along Turner's Road.



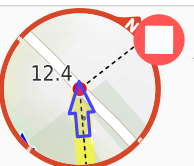
After another 110 m (at the intersection of Spinebill Point Road & Turner's Road) **veer left**, to head along Turner's Road.



After another 710 m **continue straight**.



After another 490 m come to the viewpoint (20 m on your right).



After another 1 km come to the end.



About 35 m past the end is "Watagan Creek Campsite".



This is a Great North Walk signposted campsite, with plenty of room for a few tents but providing minimal facilities ie. no water, toilets or tables. There is, however, a bench and room for a fire.



About 55 m past the end is "Mt Warrawolong Campsite".