



Mount Howitt Circuit

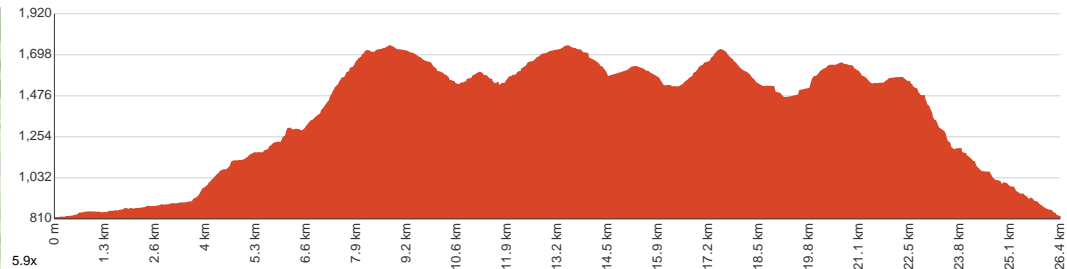
 10 h 30 min to 15 h


26.4 km
Circuit


↑ 1835 m
↓ 1835 m


Very challenging

This long two day walk takes you from Upper Howqua Road along Howqua Feeder Track to the top of Mount Howitt and further to Macalister Springs campsite and Vallejo Gantner Hut to spend the night. The next day you visit the top again before tackling Mount Magdala and descending via Bluff Track and Helicopter Spur Walking Track back to the Upper Howqua Road. Let us begin by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



Class 5 of 6
Rough unclear track

Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Gradient	Very steep and difficult rock scrambles (5/6)
Signage	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Infrastructure	No facilities provided (5/6)
Experience Required	High level of bushwalking experience recommended (5/6)
Weather	Forecasted & unexpected severe weather likely to have an impact on your navigation and safety (5/6)

Getting to the start: From Hume Freeway, Benalla.

- Turn on to then drive for 570 m
- Keep left and drive for another 42.8 km
- Turn left onto Midland Highway and drive for another 14.7 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Highett Street and drive for another 700 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Malcolm Street and drive for another 45.6 km
- Turn left onto Corn Hill Road and drive for another 6 km
- Turn sharp right onto Circuit Road and drive for another 11.4 km
- Turn right onto Bindaree Road and drive for another 9.9 km
- Turn left onto Upper Howqua Road and drive for another 235 m

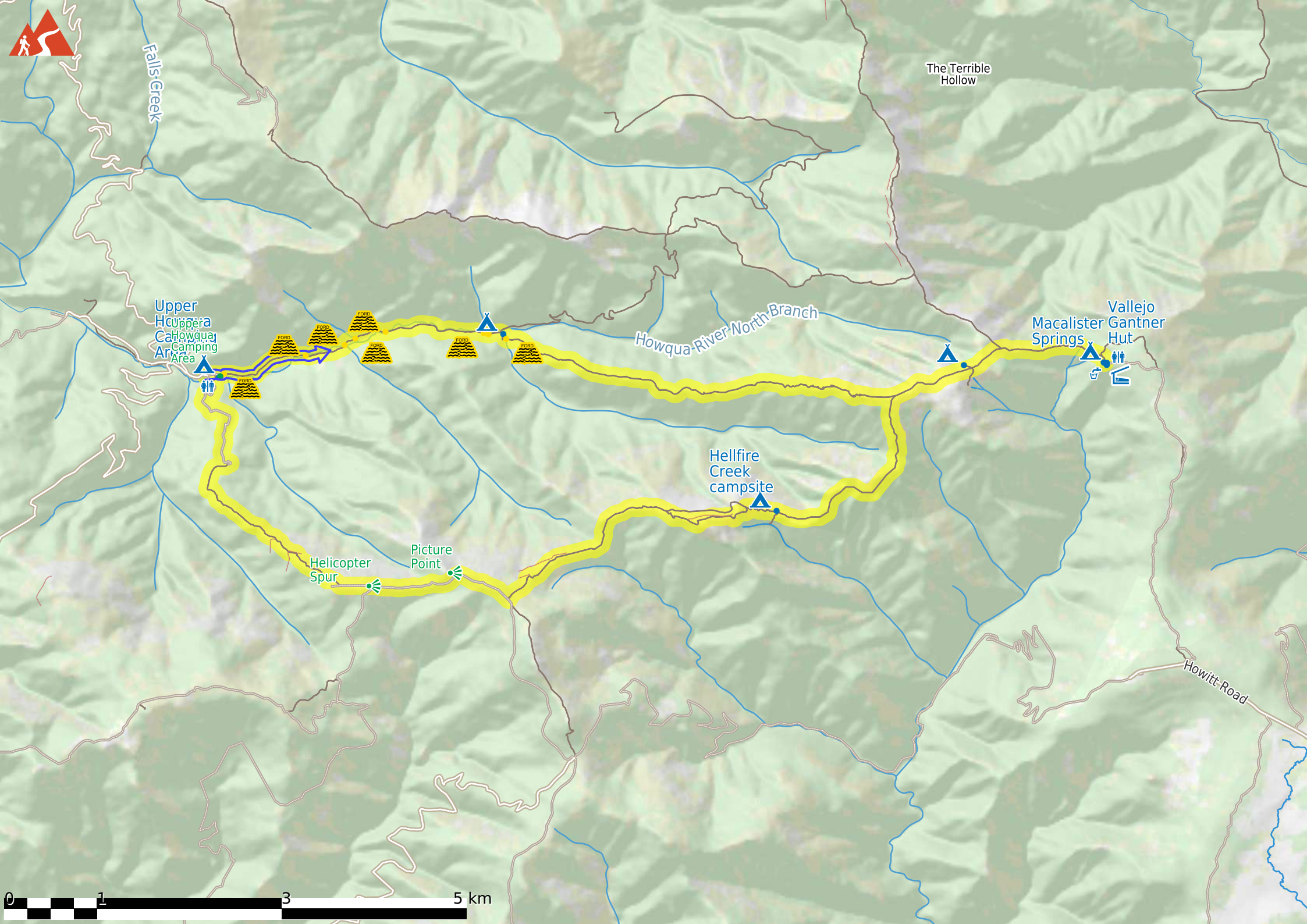
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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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Falls Creek

The Terrible Hollow

Upper Hoppera Calloway Camping Area

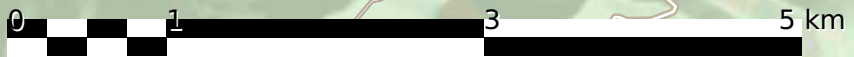
Howqua River North Branch

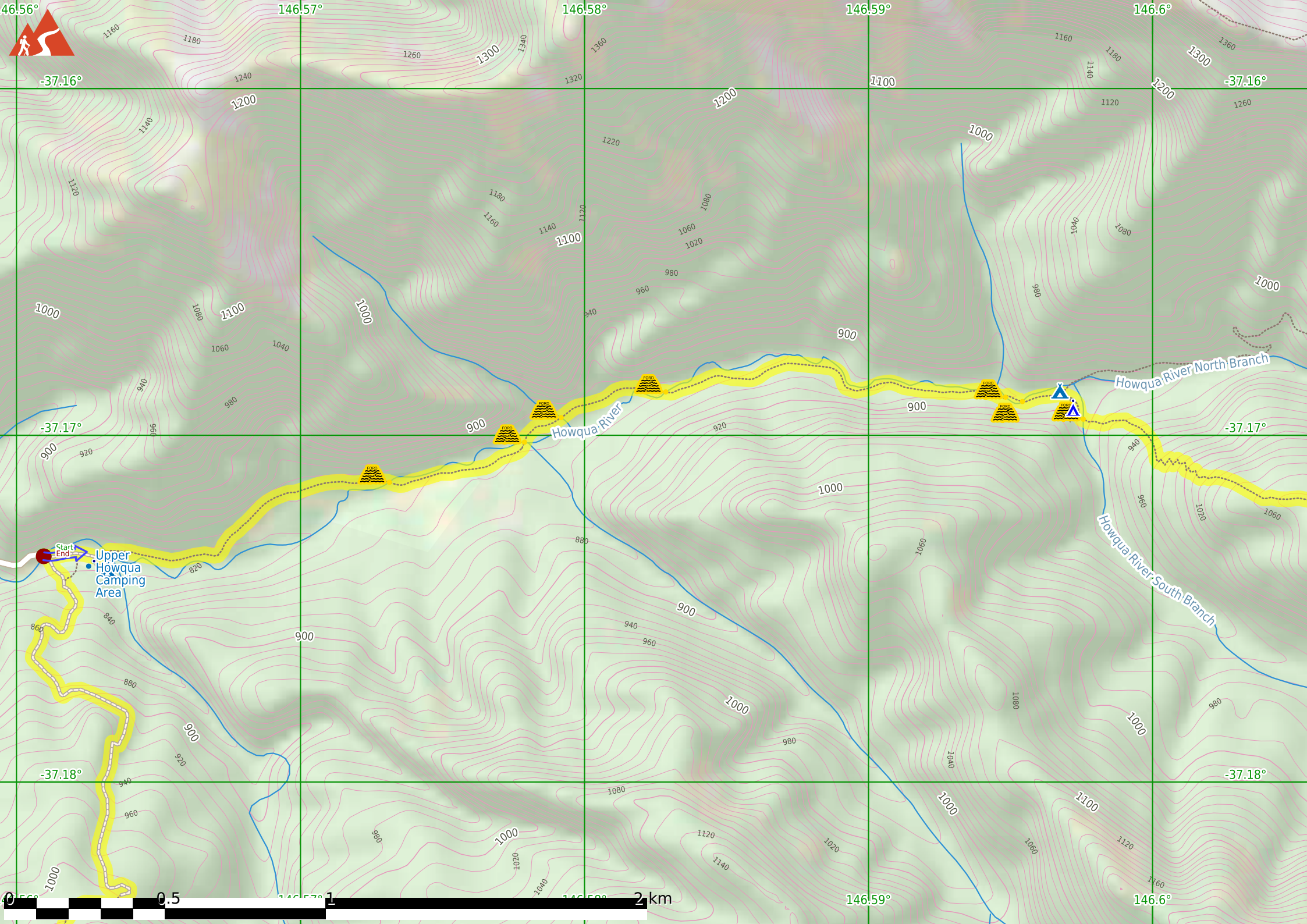
Macalister Springs
Vallejo Gantner Hut

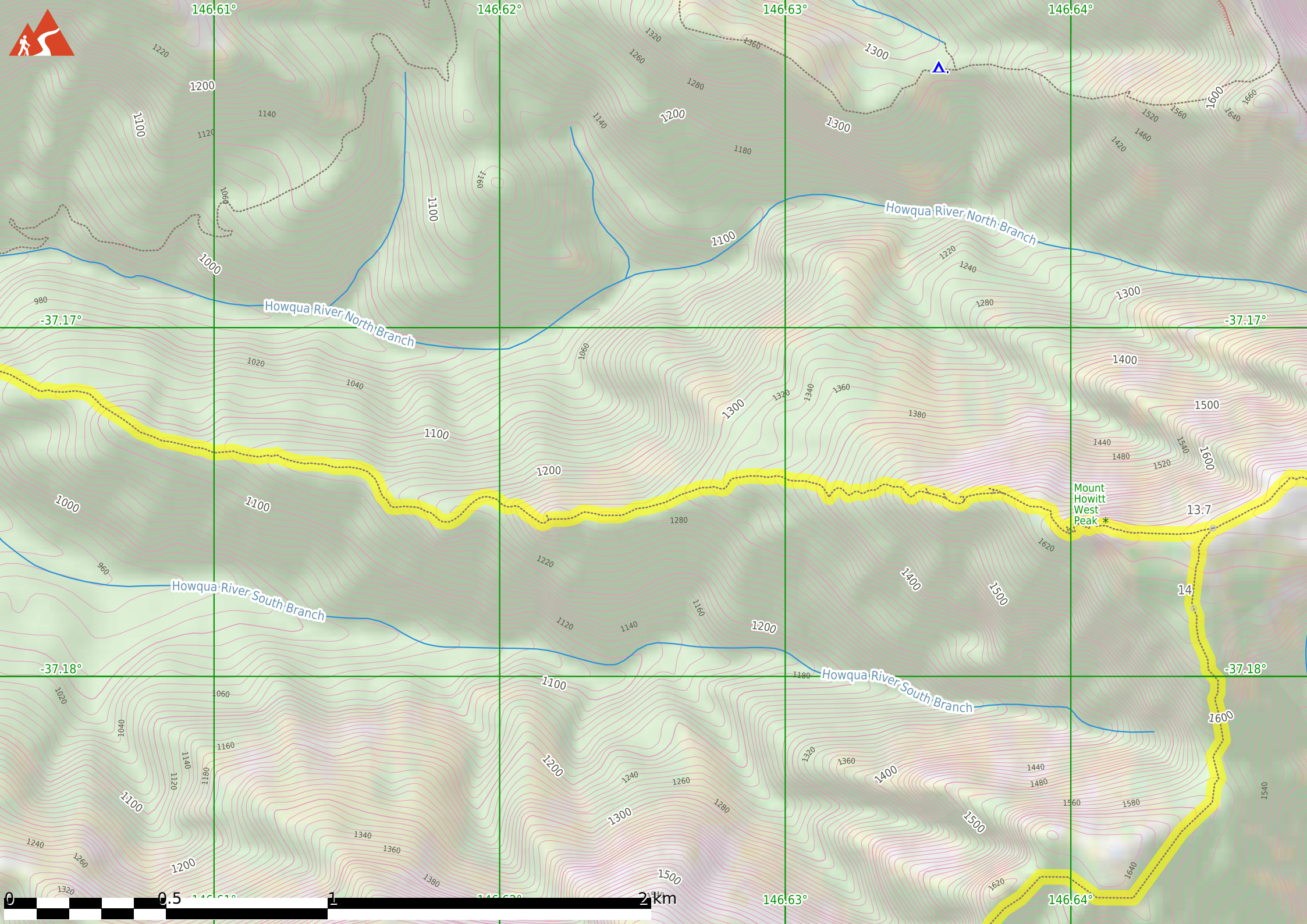
Hellfire Creek campsite

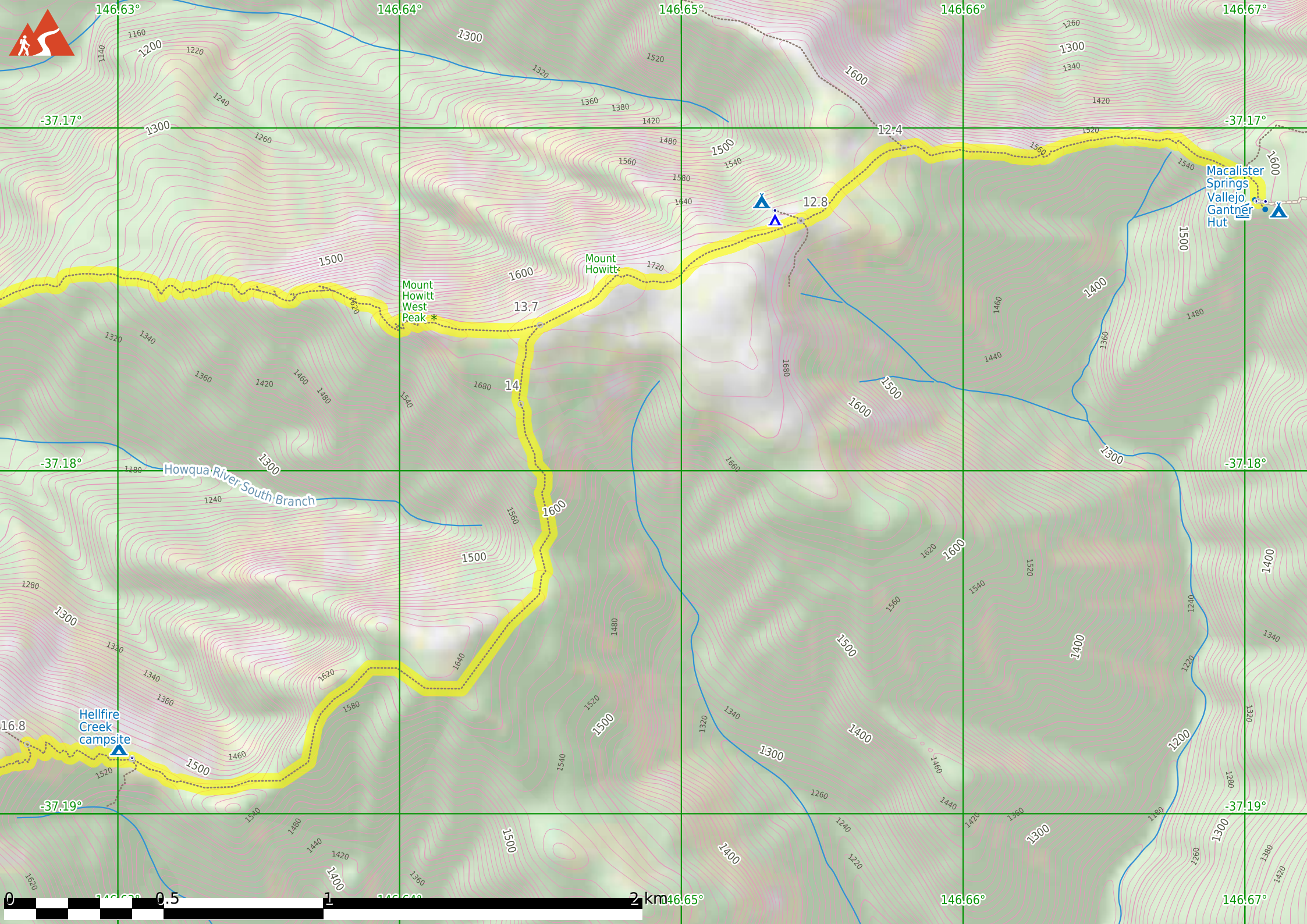
Helicopter Spur
Picture Point

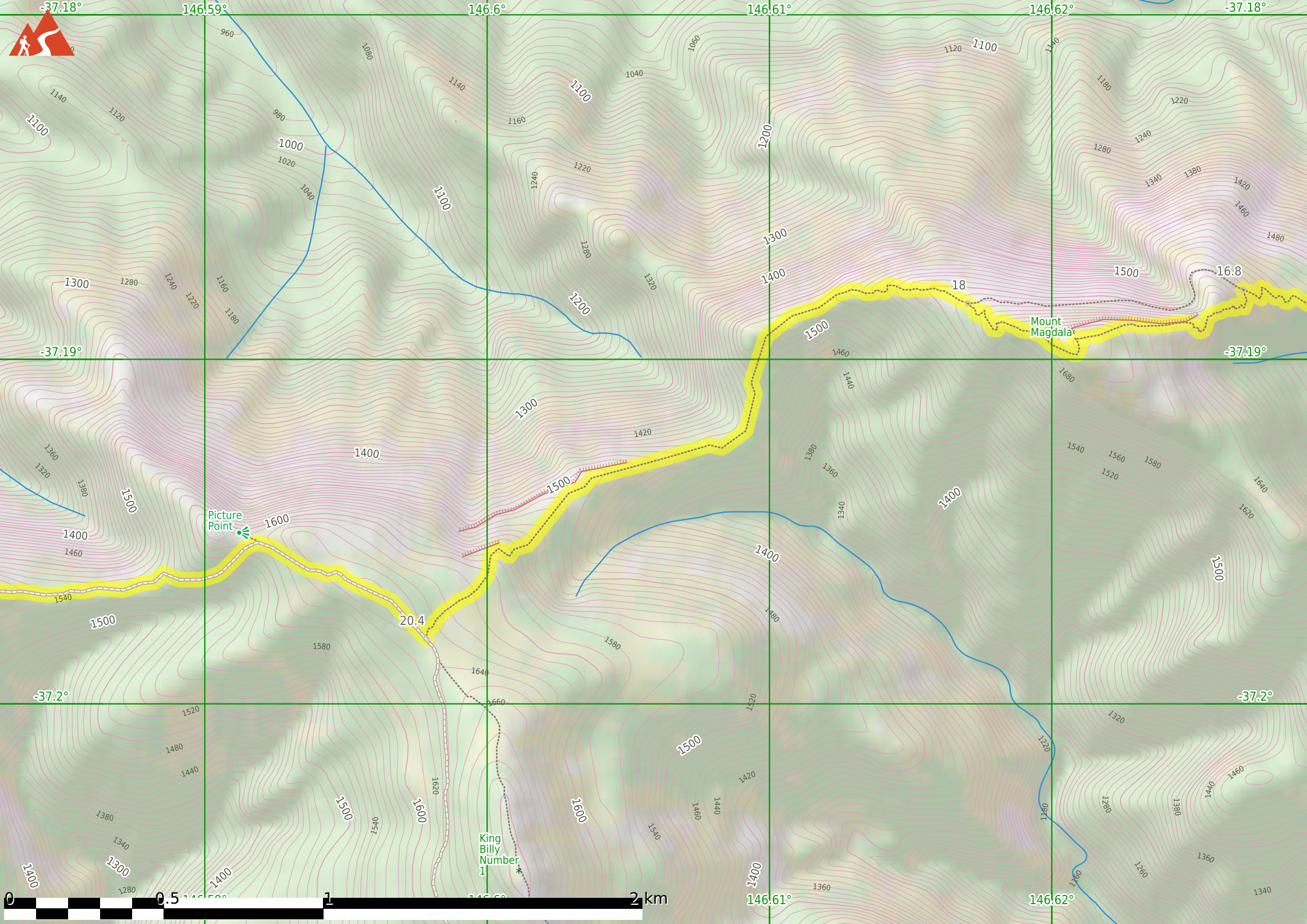
Howitt Road

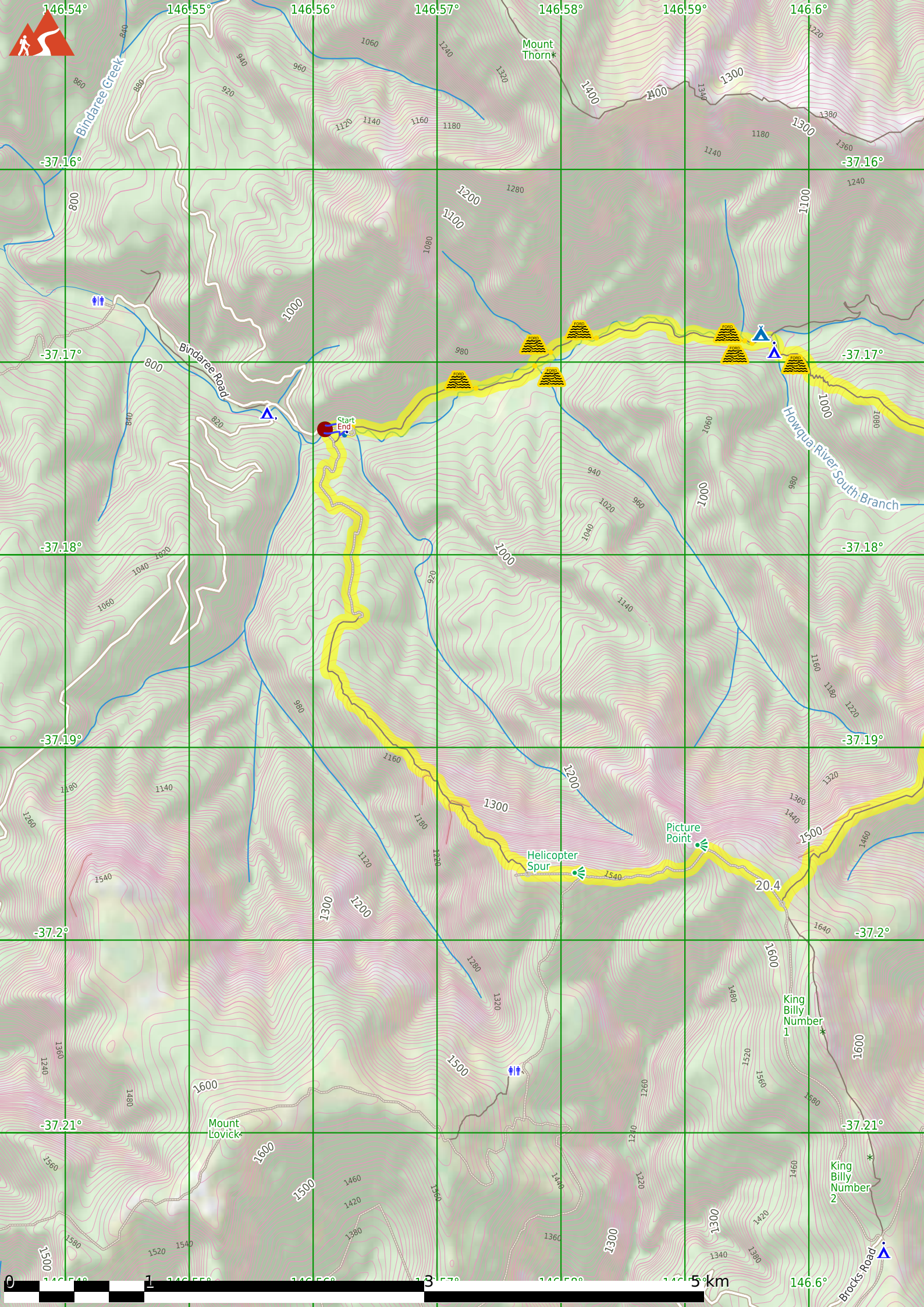


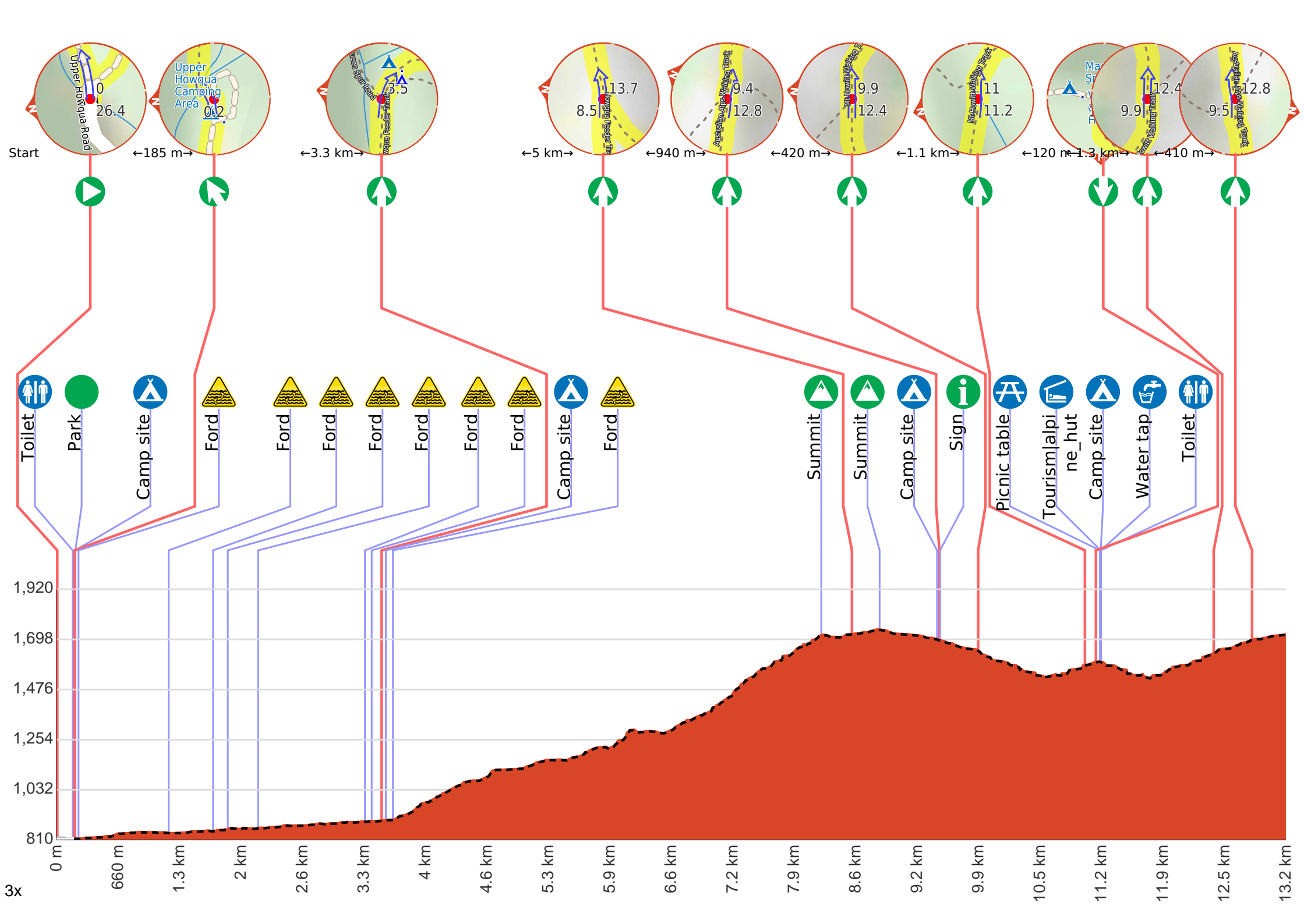


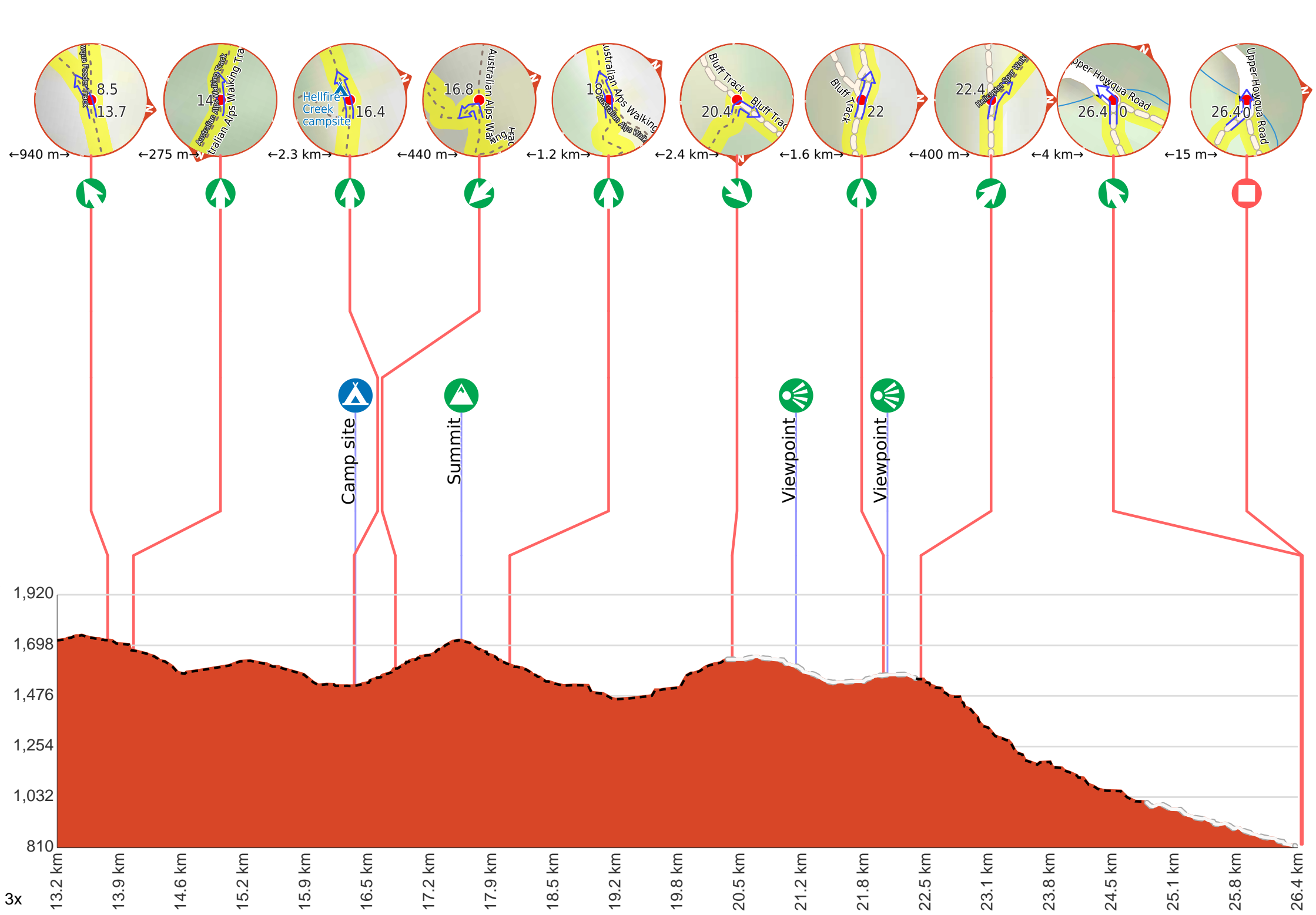


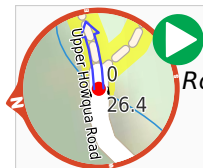












Start heading along *Upper Howqua Road*.



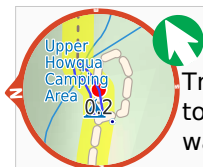
After 165 m pass the toilet (35 m on your right).



After another 30 m pass the "Upper Howqua Camping Area" (15 m on your right).
Campsite managed by Parks Victoria. This is a free campsite.



Then come to the "Upper Howqua Camping Area" (15 m on your right).
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At the intersection of Howqua Feeder Track & Upper Howqua Road **veer left**, to head along Howqua Feeder Track (a walking track).



After another 40 m cross the ford.



After another 970 m cross the ford.



After another 480 m cross the ford.



After another 160 m cross the ford.



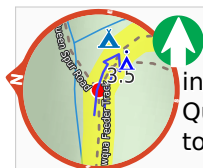
After another 325 m cross the ford.



After another 1.1 km cross the ford.



After another 70 m cross the ford.



After another 105 m (at the intersection of Howqua Feeder Track & Queen Spur Road) **continue straight**, to head along Howqua Feeder Track.



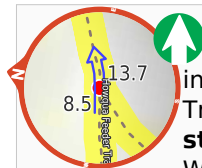
After another 45 m come to the camp site (on your right).



After another 75 m cross the ford.



After another 4.6 km pass the "Mount Howitt West Peak" (4 m on your left).



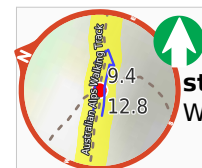
After another 330 m (at the intersection of Australian Alps Walking Track & Howqua Feeder Track) **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 295 m pass the "Mount Howitt" (6 m on your left).



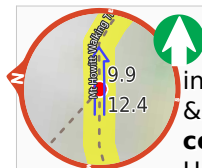
After another 620 m come to the camp site (60 m on your left).



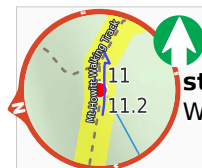
After another 25 m **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 7 m pass the sign (on your right).



After another 410 m (at the intersection of Mt Howitt Walking Track & Australian Alps Walking Track) **continue straight**, to head along Mt Howitt Walking Track.



After another 1.1 km **continue straight**, to head along Mt Howitt Walking Track.



After another 20 m **continue straight**, to head along Mt Howitt Walking Track.



After another 140 m pass the picnic table (10 m on your right).



After another 9 m come to the "Vallejo Gantner Hut" (7 m on your right).



Then come to the "Macalister Springs" (25 m on your left).

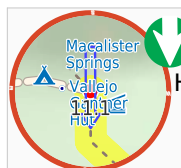
Campsite managed by Parks Victoria. This is a free campsite.



Then pass the water tap (about 35 m ahead).



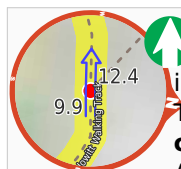
Then pass the toilet (35 m on your left).



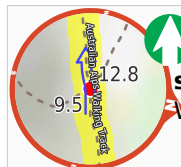
Turn around, to head along Mt Howitt Walking Track.



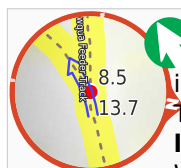
After another 95 m **continue straight**, to head along Mt Howitt Walking Track.



After another 1.2 km (at the intersection of Australian Alps Walking Track & Mt Howitt Walking Track) **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 410 m **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



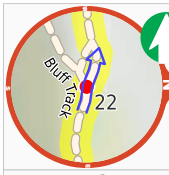
After another 940 m (at the intersection of Australian Alps Walking Track & Howqua Feeder Track) **veer left**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 275 m **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 2.4 km come to the "Hellfire Creek campsite" (5 m on your right).



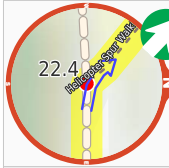
After another 930 m **continue straight**.



After another 45 m come to the "Helicopter Spur" (9 m on your right).



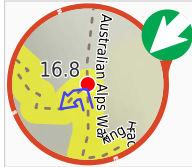
Continue straight, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 360 m **veer right**, to head along Helicopter Spur Walking Track.



After another 3.9 km **continue straight**, to head along Helicopter Spur Walking Track.



After another 440 m **turn sharp left**.



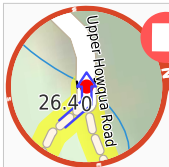
After another 700 m pass the "Mount Magdala" (about 10 m ahead).



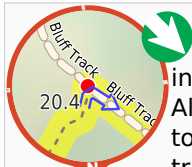
After another 95 m (at the intersection of Upper Howqua Road & Helicopter Spur Walking Track) **veer left**, to head along Upper Howqua Road (a vehicle track).



After another 510 m **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 15 m come to the end.



After another 2.4 km (at the intersection of Bluff Track & Australian Alps Walking Track) **turn sharp right**, to head along Bluff Track (a vehicle track).



After another 640 m **veer left**, to head along Bluff Track.



After another 40 m come to the "Picture Point" (50 m on your right).