



Gadd's to West Branch

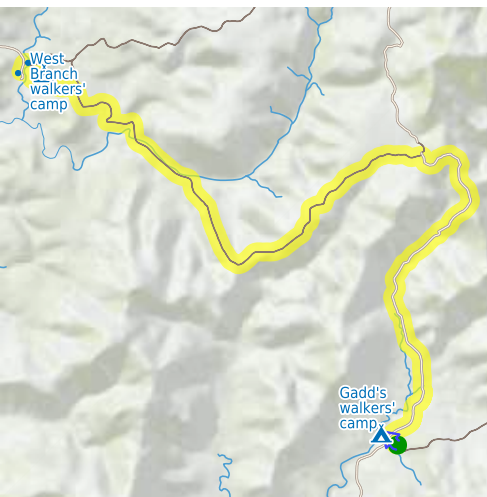
(Bidjara & Karingbal Country)

 5 h to 6 h 30 min


16.7 km
One way segment

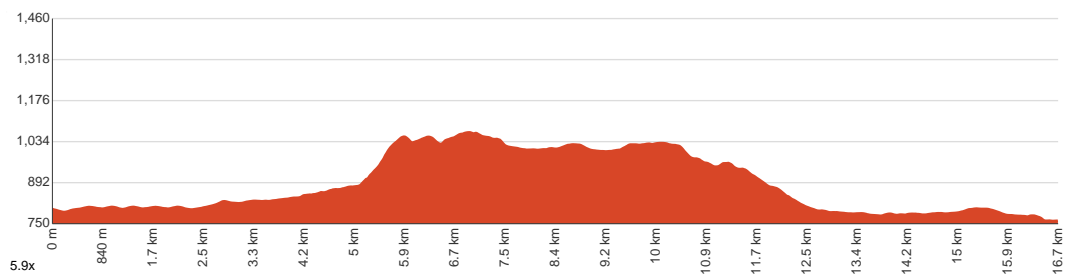

↑ 475 m
↓ 515 m


Very challenging



Starting from Gadd's walkers' camp, Carnarvon Park, this walk takes you to the West Branch campsite via the third section of the 87 km Carnarvon Great Walk, crossing multiple creeks (usually dry) along the way. Don't forget to look back at the stunning gorge as you traverse the sandy & arid lands of Carnarvon Park. Although the area is usually hot & dry, you may find yourself amidst a surprisingly green environment after decent rainfall. Look behind the hills to see Mount Moffatt, standing out with its basalt top. Both the Gadd's campsite and the West Branch campsite have toilets and water (needs to be treated). Keep in mind that you'll need a permit to access Carnarvon Park and the said campsites. This walk is closed from the 1st of November to the last day of February. Bring some insect repellent to protect yourself from the mozzies(Australian slang for mosquitoes). Let us begin by acknowledging the Bidjara & Karingbal people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

This is part of longer journey and can not be completed on it is own.
Full journey: [Carnarvon Great Walk](#)



Class 5 of 6
Rough unclear track

Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep and difficult rock scrambles (5/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

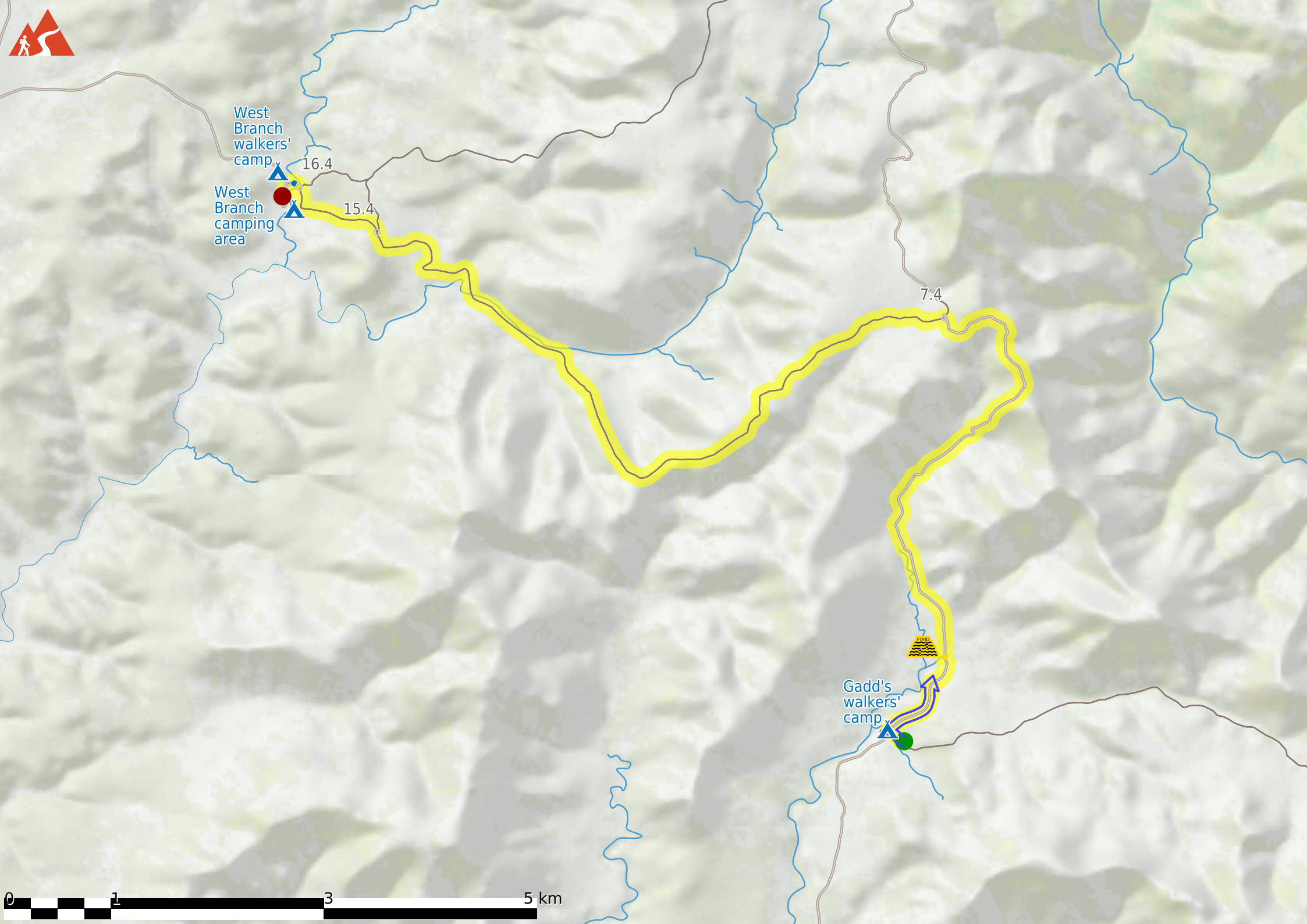
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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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West
Branch
walkers'
camp

West
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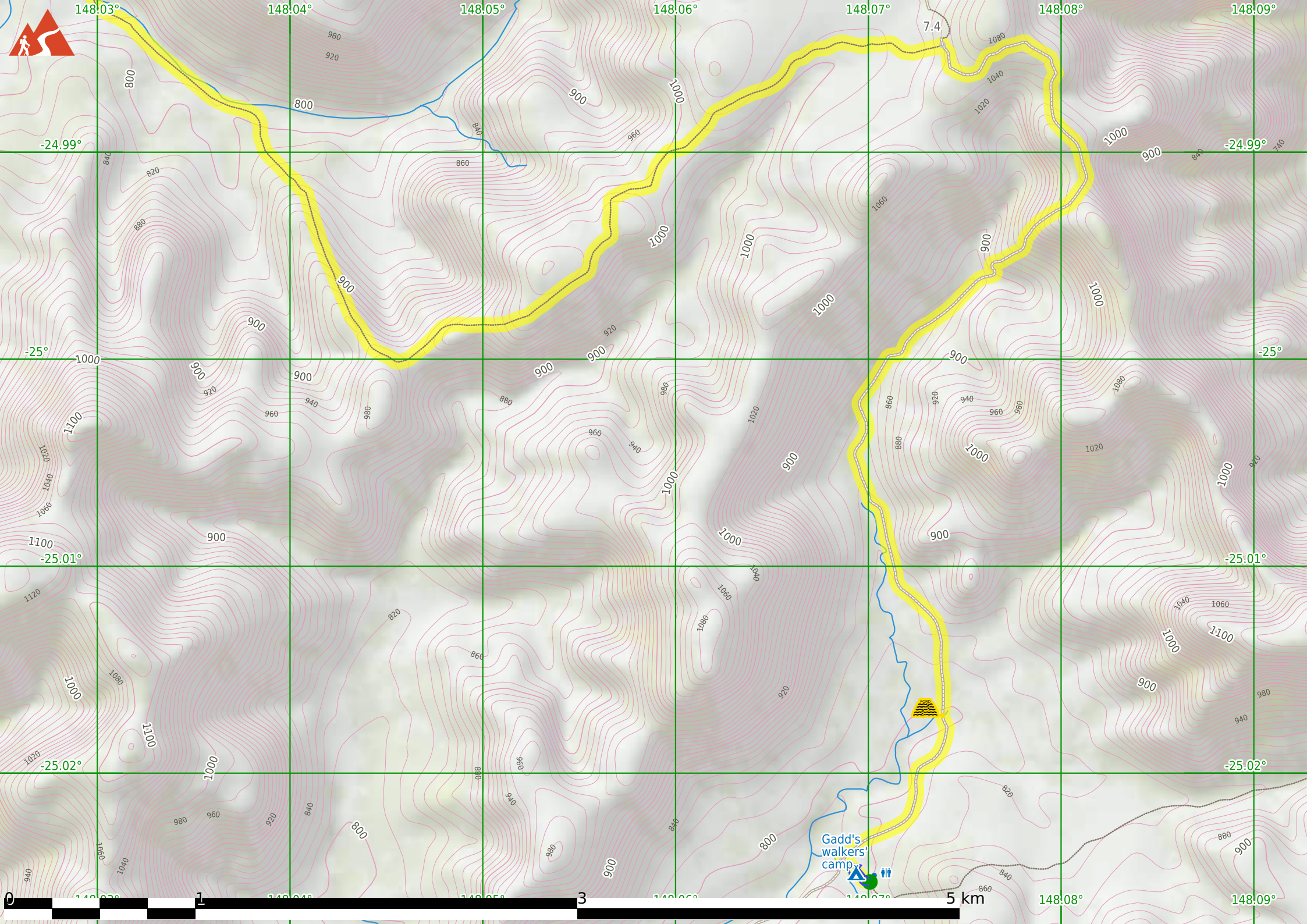
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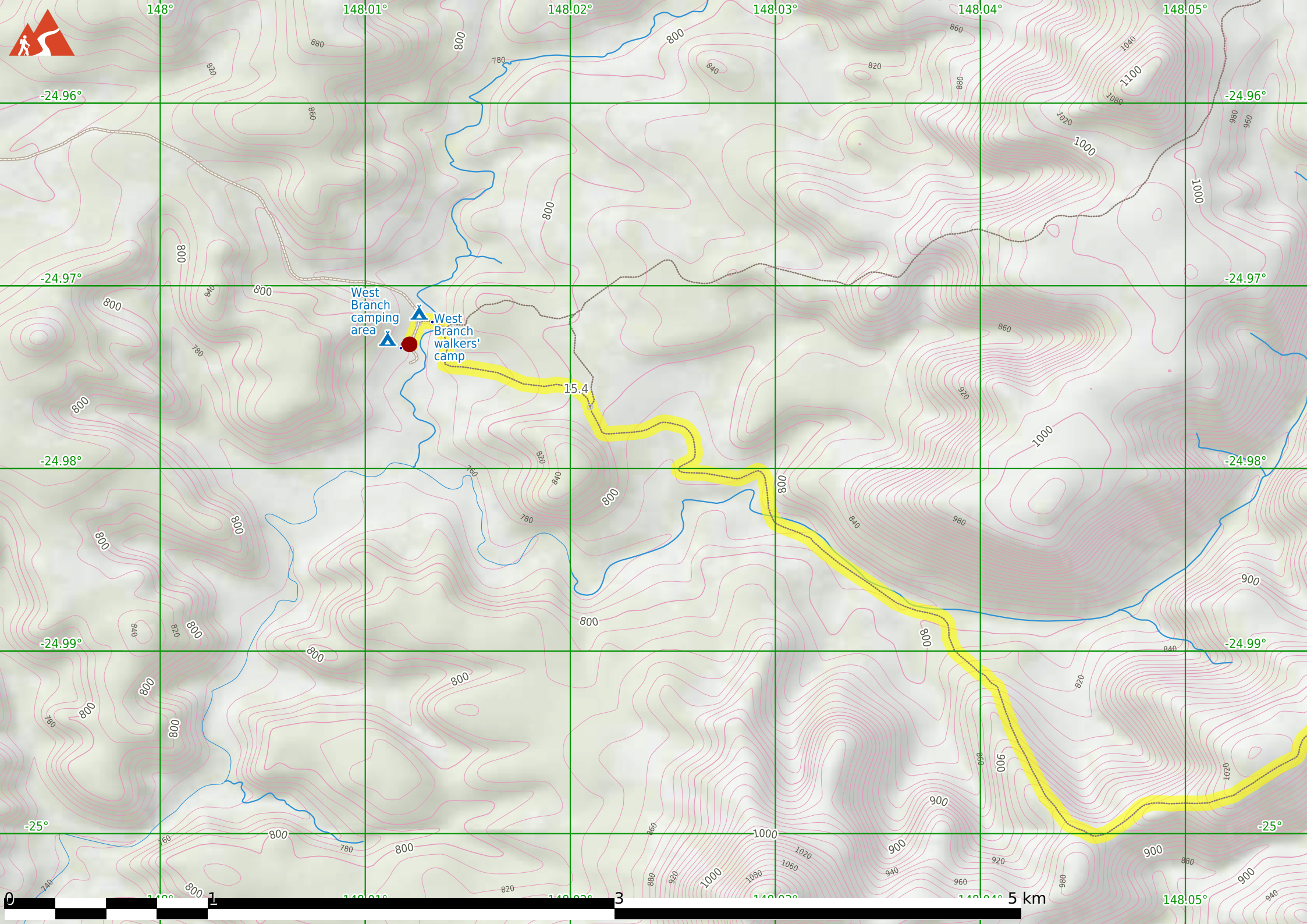
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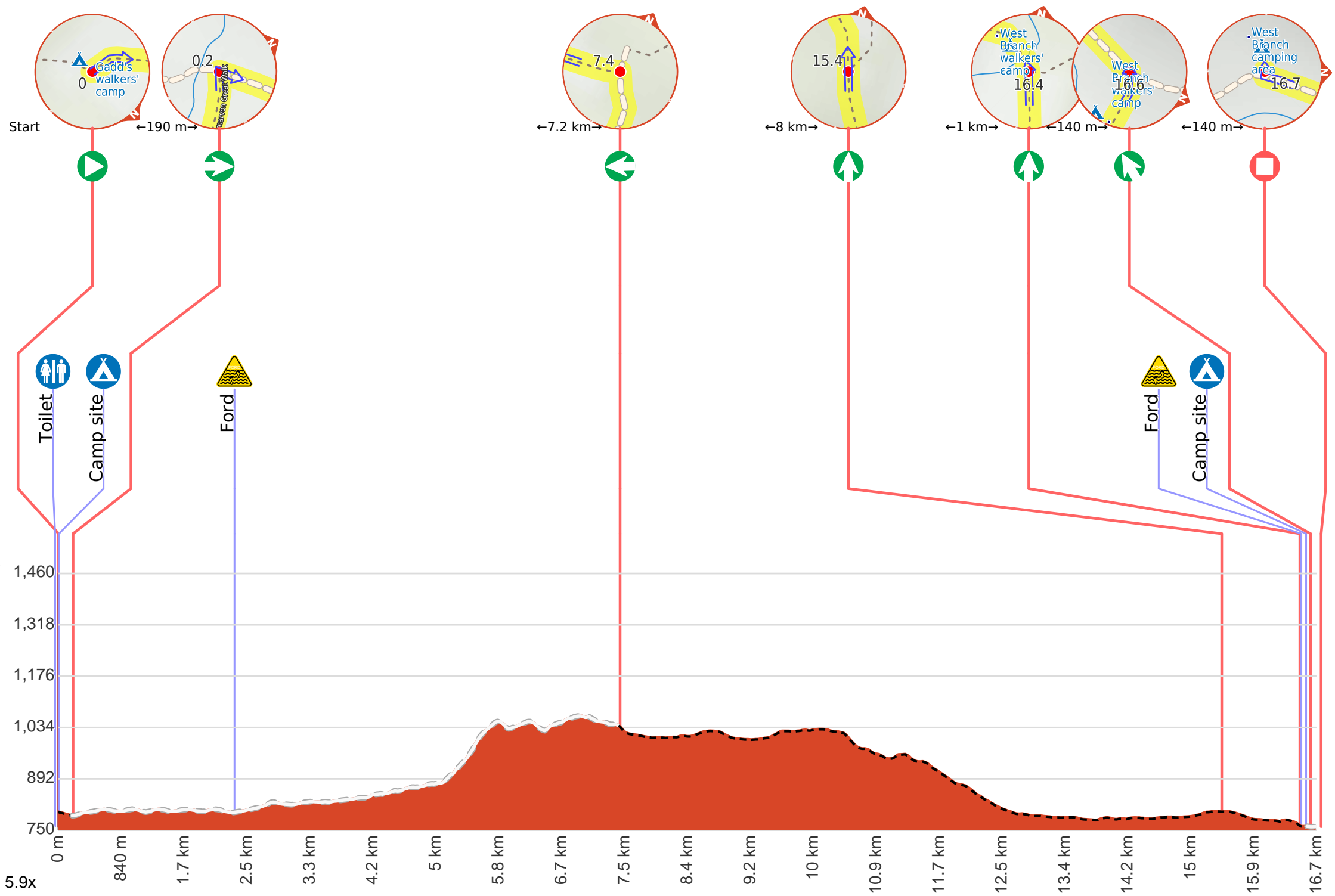
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Gadd's
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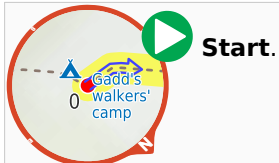








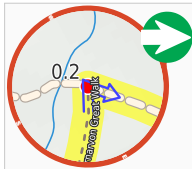
Getting started: From Gadd's walkers' camp, head northwest along the singular dirt track, keeping the creek to your left. About 200 metres later, make a perpendicular right turn to continue along Gadd's to West Branch Track.



There is a toilet (about 45 m back from the start).



Find the Gadd's walkers' camp at the start.
W: parks.des.qld.gov.au



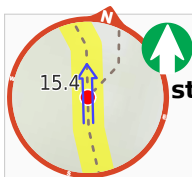
After another 185 m **turn right**.



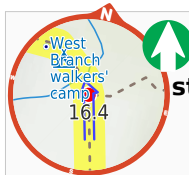
After another 2.1 km cross the ford.



After another 5.1 km **turn left**.



After another 8 km **continue straight**.



After another 1 km **continue straight**.



After another 20 m cross the ford.



After another 65 m come to the "West Branch walkers' camp" (6 m on your left).
W: parks.des.qld.gov.au

There is a fee to use this campsite.



After another 60 m **veer left**.



After another 140 m come to a toilet.



About 55 m past the end is "West Branch camping area".
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There is a fee to use this campsite.



The end.