

BAKER LAKE BOATING AND WATER SAFETY



Boat responsibly

- Have fun but remember boating under the influence is illegal! Sober boating saves lives.
- Obey no-wake zones and other posted warnings.
- Always operate your boat at a safe speed for the conditions and per posted signs.
- File a "boat plan" (destination, departure and return times, etc.) with someone before you leave.
- Always wear a life jacket.
- Be safe and do not boat alone.



Bring the Right Gear

- Life jackets.
- Functioning navigational lights and mirrors.
- Sound-producing device (e.g. horn or whistle).
- Working fire extinguisher that's easily accessible.
- Two-way marine radio.
- First-aid kit.

Water Skiers Must:

- Display a red or orange flag from towing vessel when a person under tow is in the water.
- Have a spotter at least 8 years of age.



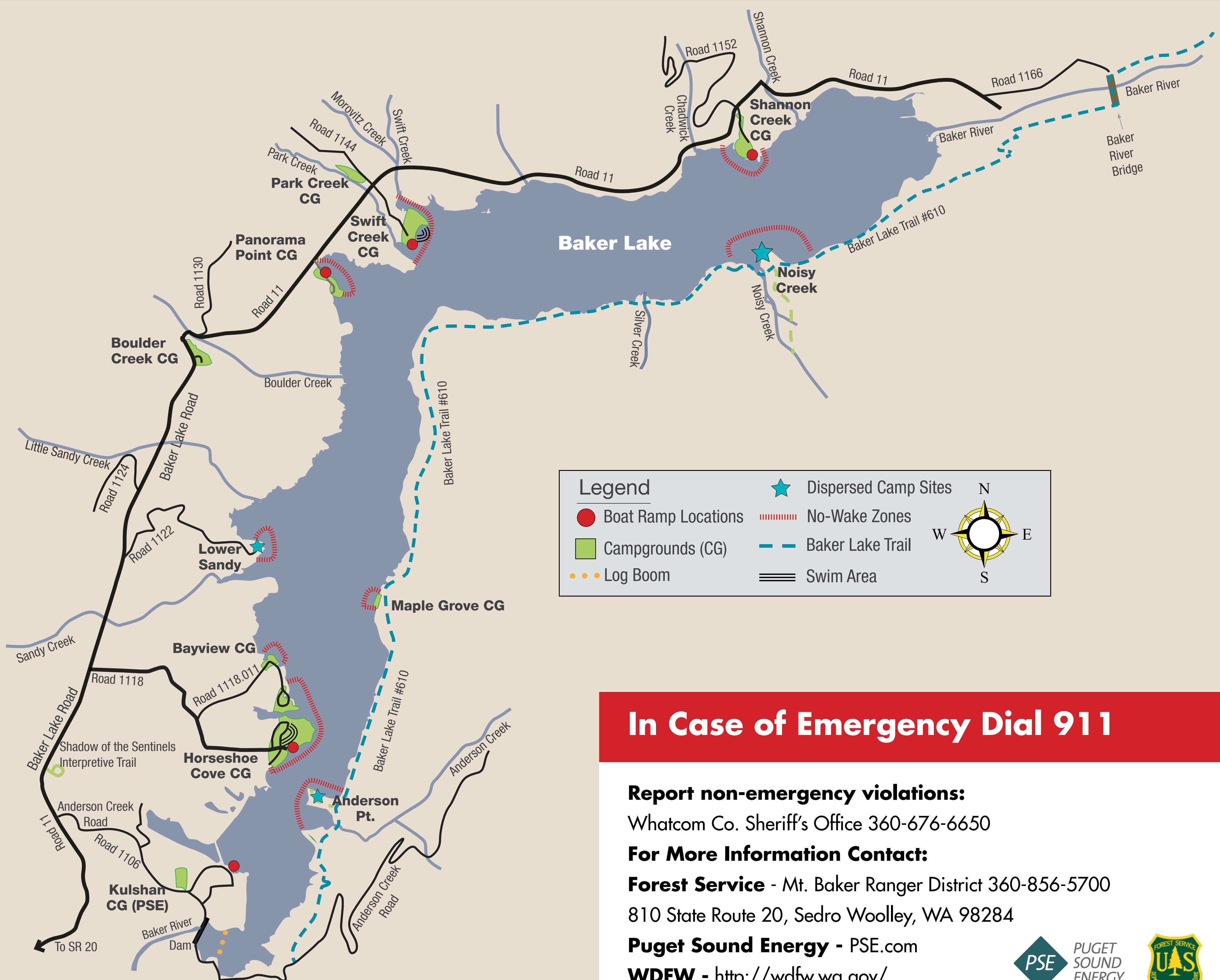
Wear It

- All vessels must have at least one Coast Guard-approved life jacket for each person on board.
- Children 12 years old or younger must wear a USCG-approved life jacket at all times.
- Each person on a personal watercraft and anyone being towed must wear a USCG-approved life jacket.



Help Wildlife and Lands

- Please stay off loon nest platforms.
- Keep your distance - stay 250 feet away from loon nest platforms.
- Help prevent transfer of waterborne invasive species; when leaving a water body remove all plants from the vessel and trailer, and drain all water from fish/live wells, holds and bilge.
- Pack It In. Pack It Out! Take your waste with you.
- Observe campfire restrictions.
- Follow fishing and hunting regulations and seasons governed by Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW).



In Case of Emergency Dial 911

Report non-emergency violations:

Whatcom Co. Sheriff's Office 360-676-6650

For More Information Contact:

Forest Service - Mt. Baker Ranger District 360-856-5700

810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284

Puget Sound Energy - PSE.com

WDFW - <http://wdfw.wa.gov/>

