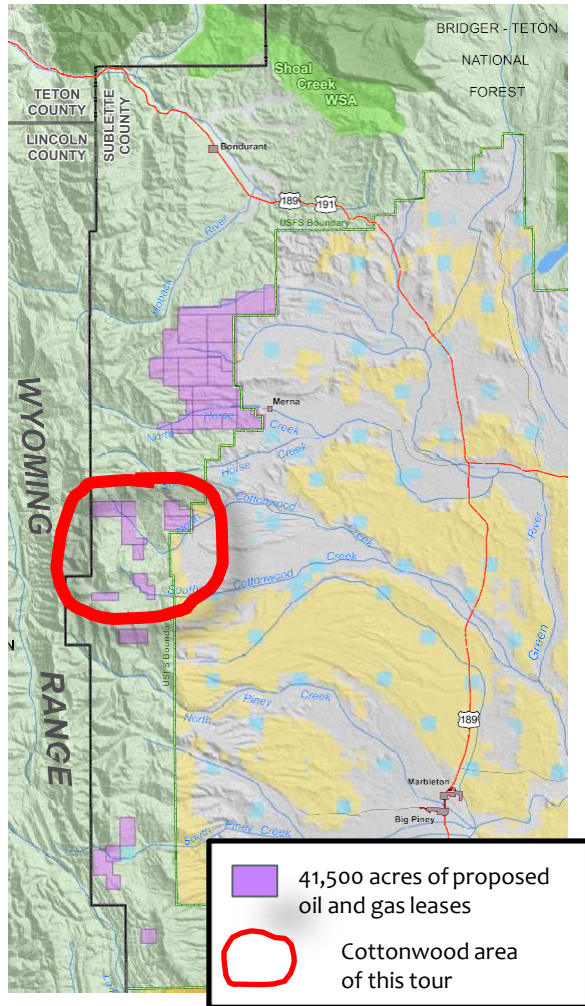
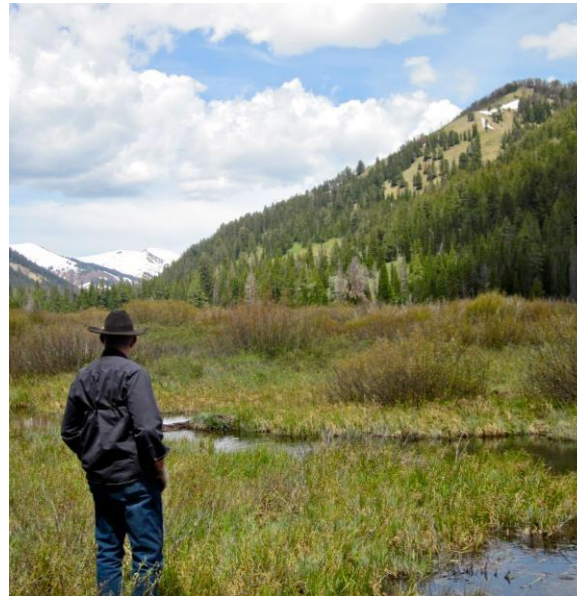


This guide covers the middle portion of 41,500 acres along the eastern front of the Wyoming Range ----



Take the tour and discover for yourself!



Back in 2005 – 2006, the Forest Service offered 44,700 (reduced to 41,500 in 2014) acres of oil and gas leases for sale along the eastern front of the Wyoming Range – igniting a firestorm of citizen protest that led to passage of the Wyoming Range Legacy Act in 2009. The fate of these leases is still in limbo. Soon, you will have a chance to tell the Forest Service if these lands should be leased for drilling. Decide for yourself if these lands are **too special to drill**.

This tour covers just the proposed leases within the Cottonwood Creek drainages.

Start location: Daniel, WY

Approximate tour time: 3+ hrs.

Still – Too Special To Drill!

41,500 acres of proposed oil and gas leases in the Wyoming Range await a Forest Service authorization decision.



South Cottonwood Creek proposed lease area

A Do-it-yourself Drive Through Tour to the 41,500 acres of proposed leases: COTTONWOOD AREA

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Start Here!

From in Daniel WY, follow the directions below to Point A.

1. Drive South through Daniel WY on **US-189 S**
2. Turn right onto **Cottonwood Ryegrass Rd** just as you leave town.
3. Follow this road for 12.9 miles
4. Continue on Cottonwood Ryegrass Rd. It merges here with **Co Rd 116/Cottonwood Merna Rd** and takes a large left turn.
5. Continue 1.1 miles
6. Turn right onto **North Cottonwood Road**.
7. Follow for 9.3 miles. For your last few miles, you can view proposed lease areas on the right side in the Forest. You are now at **Point A**.

Interest Points

Point A - Junction between N. Cottonwood Rd. and Forest Service Road 50 & starting point to tour. The road to **Point B** takes you to McDougal Gap & trailhead for Wyoming Range Trail, passing through many lease parcels. The first few miles of the trail lie within proposed leases.

Point C- Scenic overview of a lease; as you stand at the outlook, the land below you and to the left of the gravel road is all lease land.

Lease Lands Seen From Point C



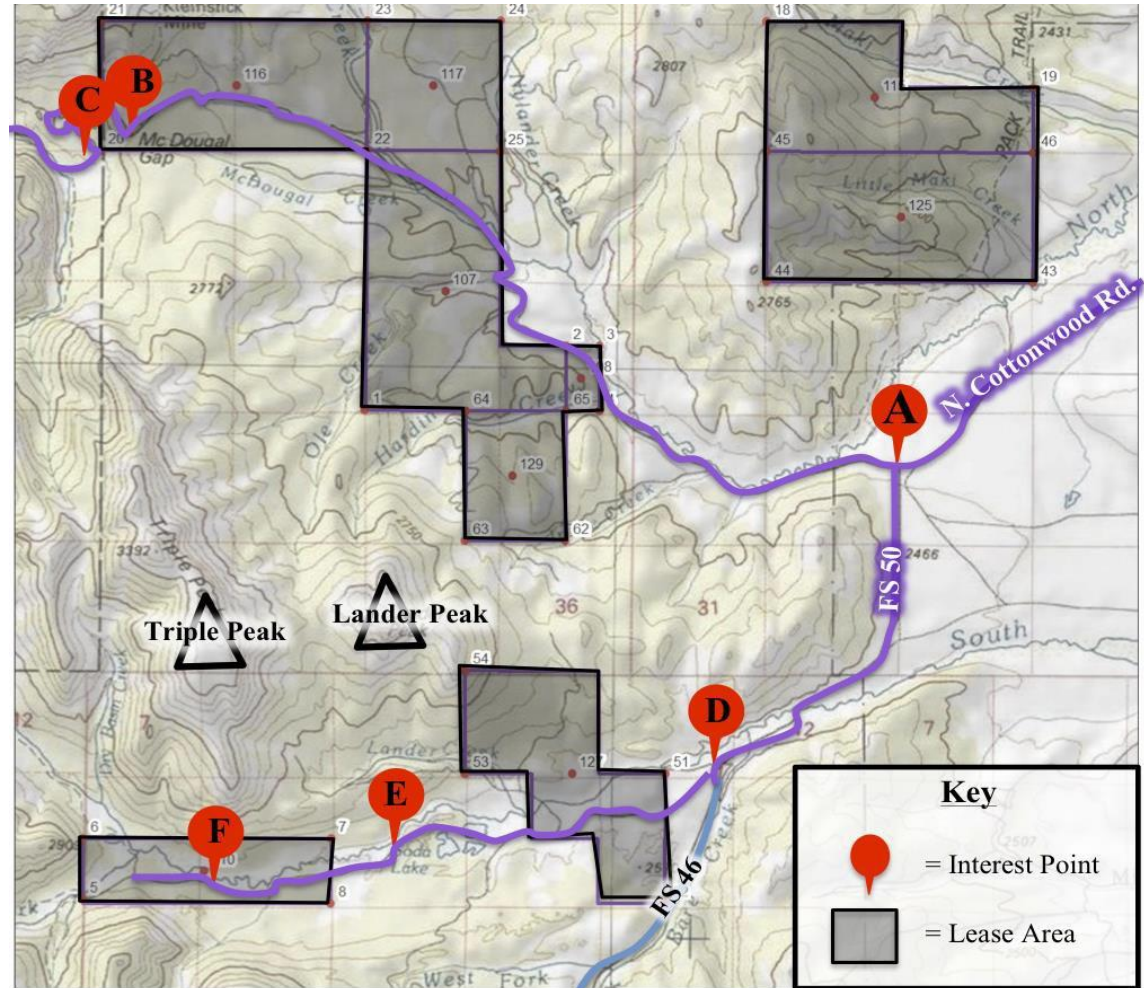
Point D- Junction with FS Rd. 46. This point is at the eastern edge of the lease area that continues up the South Cottonwood.

Point E- Existing True Oil wells & leases.

Point F- Middle of another proposed lease area.

Do-it-yourself Drive Tour to the 41,500 – Cottonwood

From Point A, follow the directions to the northern and southern sections.



Point A to South Cottonwood Lease Areas

- 1) Head South (left) on Forest Service Road 10050 for 3 miles.
- 2) You will hit a junction with Forest Service Road 10046. Continue right on 10050.
- 3) Continue 2.9 miles up the road, here you reach **Point E** after passing Soda Lake.
- 4) Continue another 1.5 miles up the road to **Point F** (the cover photo).

From Point A to North Cottonwood Lease Areas

- 1) Keep right (west) towards McDougal Gap for 7.6 miles. The land to your left and front as you drive up this road is all lease land.
- 2) On your right is a trailhead pull-out (**Point B**).
- 3) Continue another 0.5 miles up the road to a scenic pull out (**Point C**).