



West Branch to Consuelo

(Bidjara & Karingbal Country)

5 h 30 min to 7 h 30 min



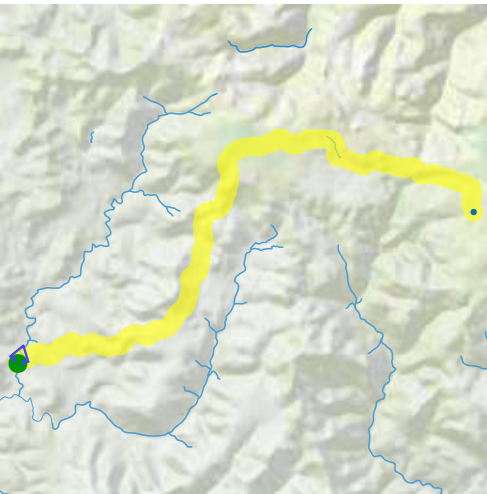
16.1 km
One way segment



↑ 612 m
↓ 213 m

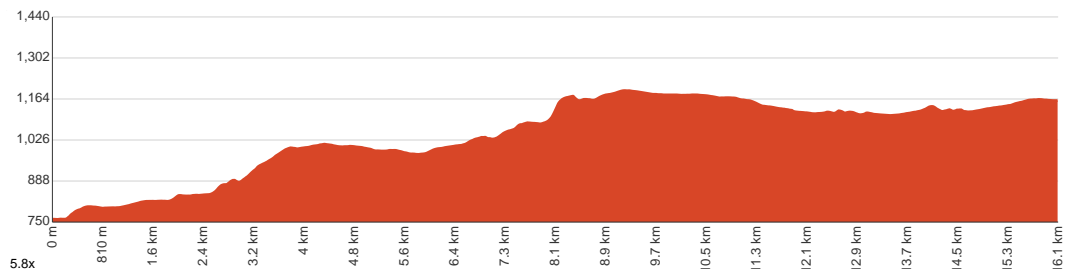


Very challenging



Starting from the West Branch campsite in Carnarvon Park, this walk takes you to the Consuelo campground via the fourth section of the 87 km Carnarvon Great Walk, exploring the Consuelo Tableland and the Mahogany Forest along the way. This section of the trail is actually the longest one, and it is relatively green due to the environmental conditions. You'll be getting great looks at Mount Moffatt along with the mountain ranges to the west. The aforementioned Mahogany Forest is made up almost exclusively of silver top stringybark trees. You can also come across *Macrozamia* along the track. Some of them grow up to be an impressive 6 metres tall. Get ready to hike on the 'Roof of Queensland', the highest part of the Central Queensland Sandstone Belt. 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;

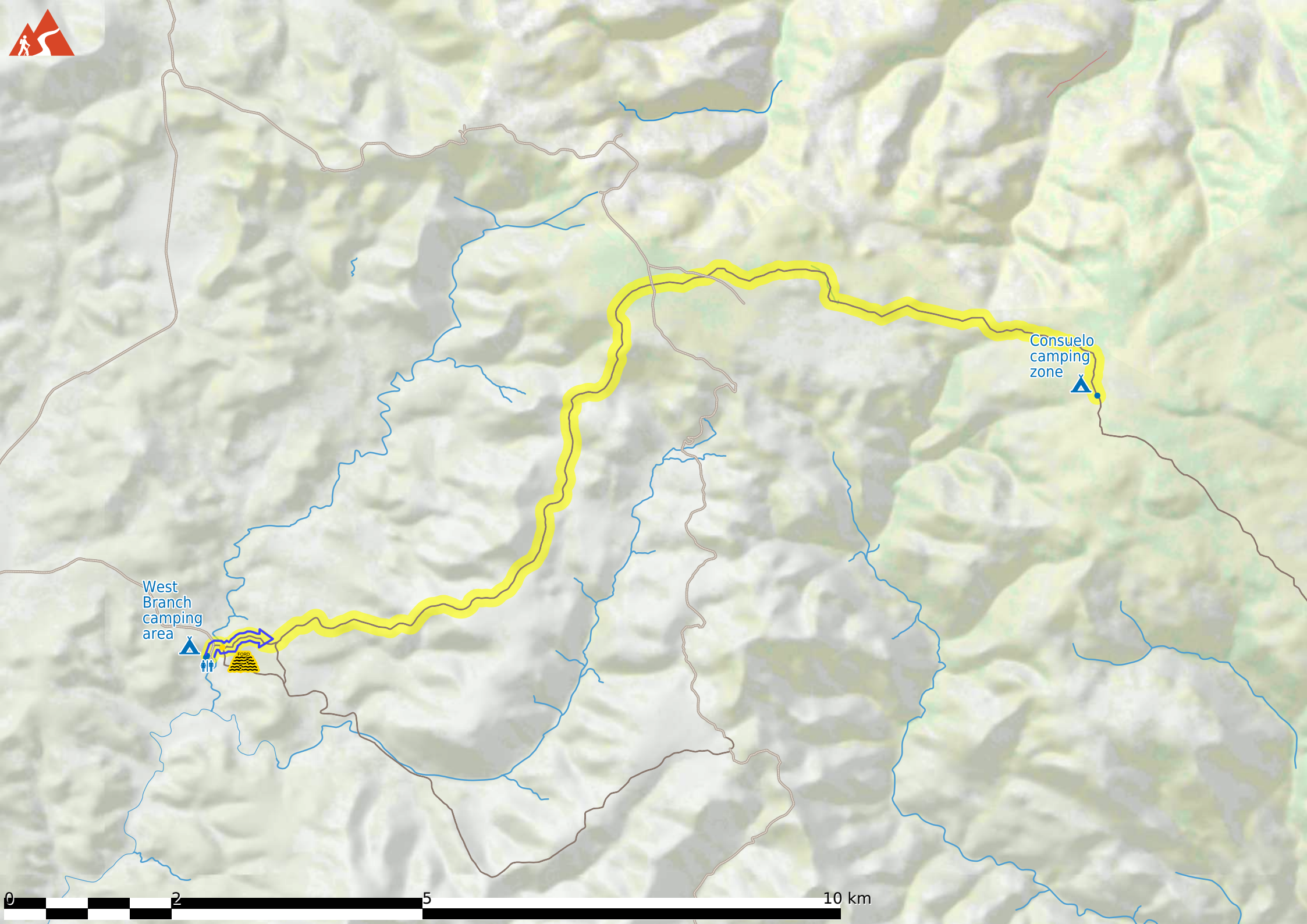
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

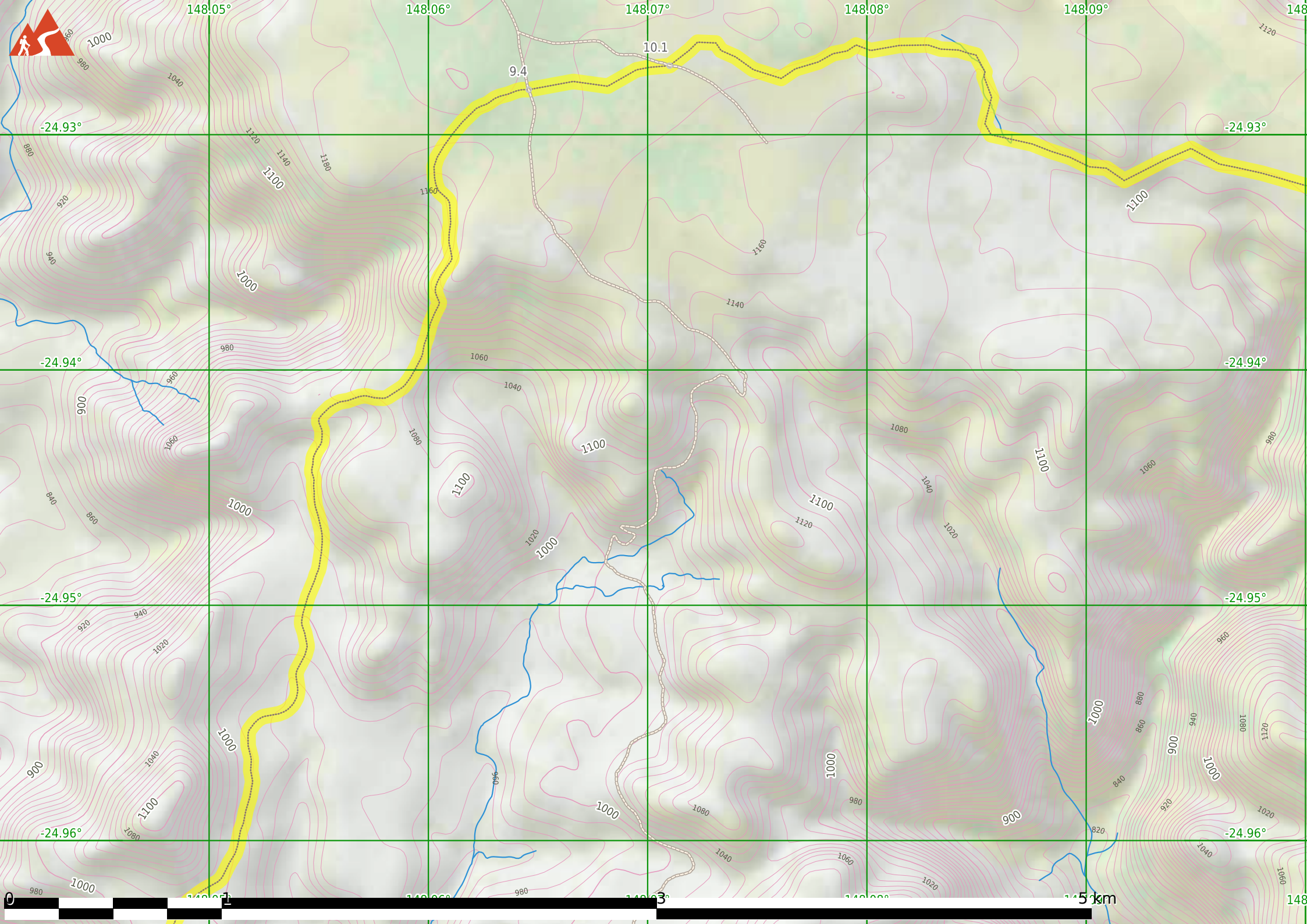
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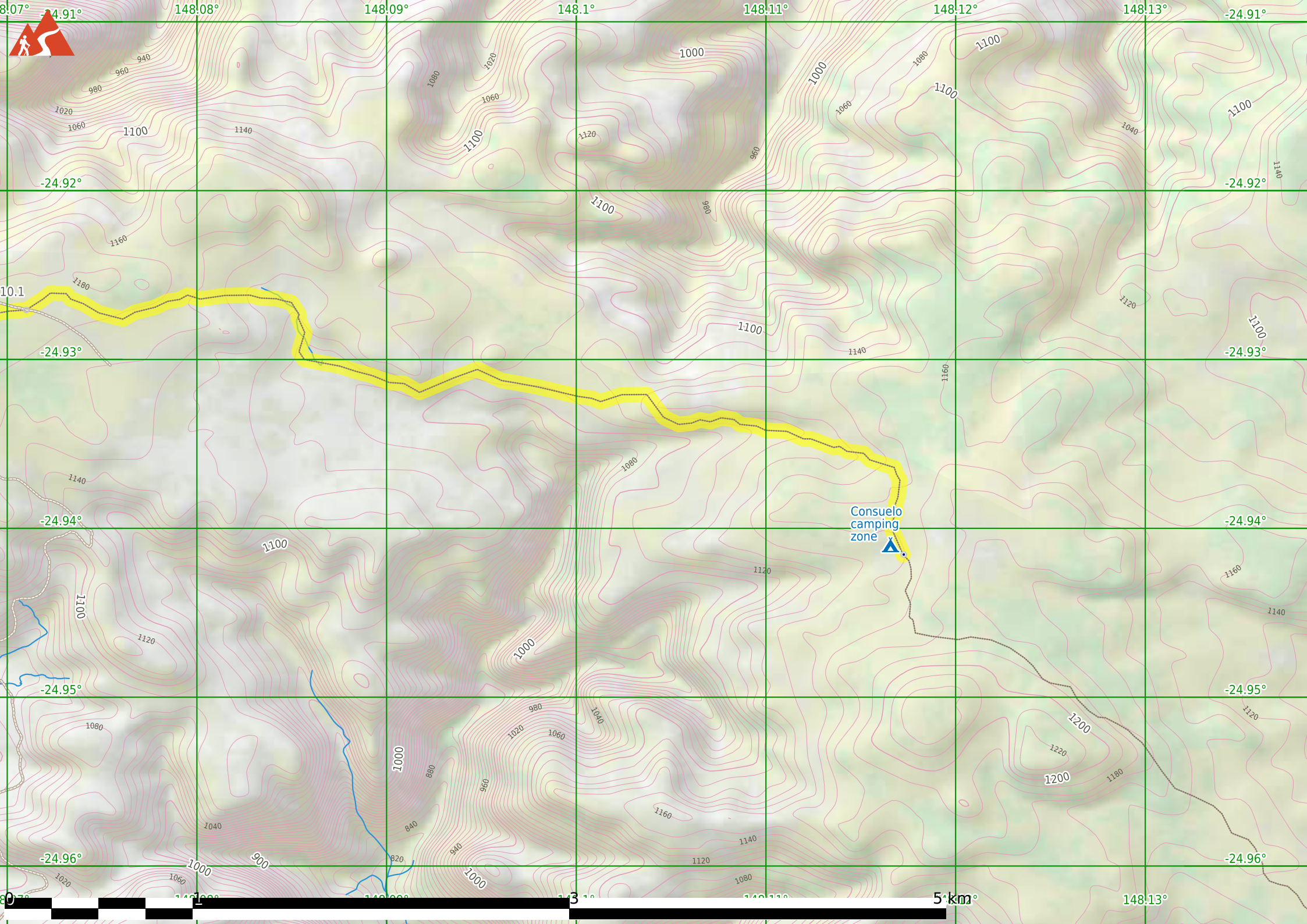
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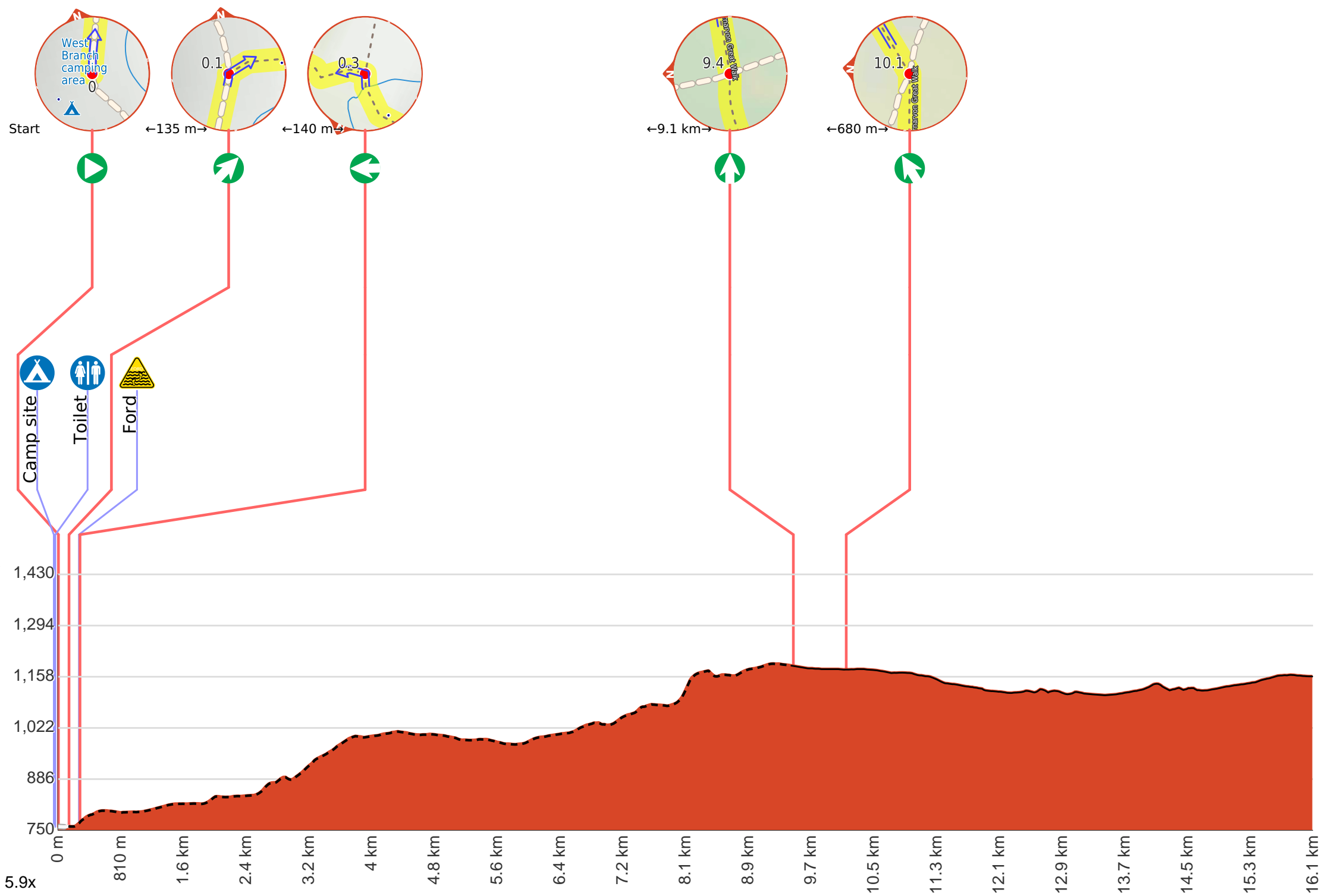












Getting started: From West Branch campsite, head north along the dirt track as you keep the creek to your right. After about 135 metres veer right and cross the creek, then make a perpendicular left turn at the 3-way intersection to continue along West Branch to Consuelo Track.



Start.



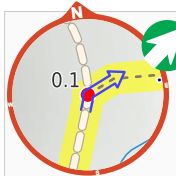
West Branch camping area (about 60 m back from the start).

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There is a fee to use this campsite.



There is a toilet (about 40 m back from the start).



After another 175 m **veer right**.



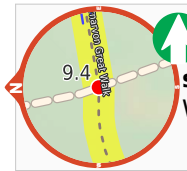
After another 125 m cross the ford.



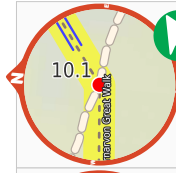
After another 15 m **turn left**.



After another 780 m **veer left**.



After another 8.3 km **continue straight**, to head along Carnarvon Great Walk.



After another 680 m **veer left**, to head along Carnarvon Great Walk.



After another 6 km come to "Consuelo camping zone".

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The end.