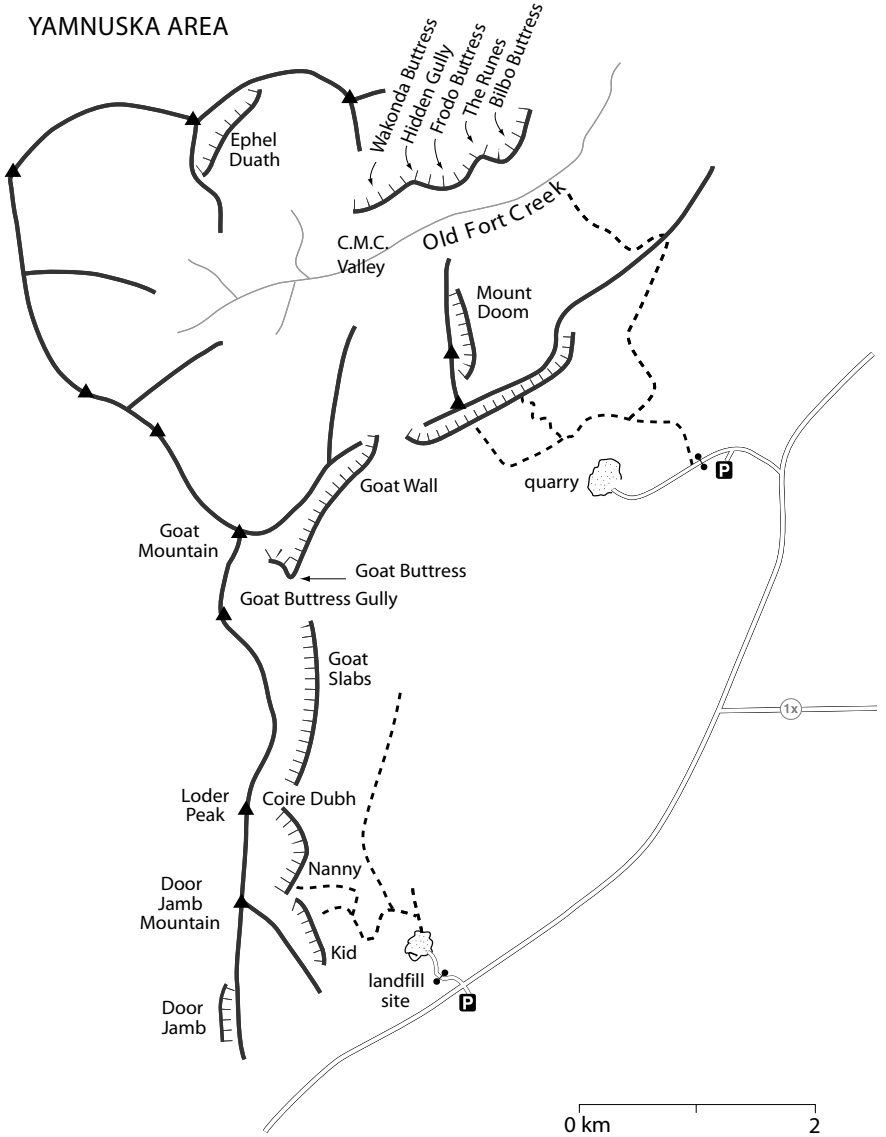


YAMNUSKA AREA



GOAT MOUNTAIN

The east face of Goat Mountain is a huge over-thrust mass of Eldon limestone that marks the southward extension from Yamnuska of the McConnell Fault. The face extends along almost the entire length of the south ridge of the mountain and is broken by major gullies into four sections. These decrease considerably in size from north to south and are called Goat Wall, Goat Slabs, Nanny Goat and Kid Goat (see map and photograph). Separate summits along the ridge have been named and these are Door Jamb Mountain, which lies above the right-hand side of Kid Goat, and Loder Peak, which lies above Nanny Goat. Climbs on the west-facing slabs near the summit of Door Jamb Mountain are described in the preceding section.

Approach

The principal approach for climbs on the four Goat Mountain crags is from the south beginning at a paved parking area on the south side of Highway 1A opposite the access road to the landfill site. The parking area is about 0.7 km east of where the highway bends around the extreme end of the south ridge. Walk across the highway and follow the landfill access road, turning right at the first fork, until it turns sharply to the left and leads down to the present dumping site. Just beyond a "No Shooting" sign on the right side of the road, climb over a barbed-wire fence and pick up a faint trail that heads north and then west along an old road around the landfill boundary. This leads to a good dirt road that passes through a gap in the trees and then forks just beyond. Access through the landfill site is subject to change but the general objective is to go around its eastern and northern boundaries and locate the dirt road. Follow the left fork of the road diagonally up toward the cliffs for about 250 m until it begins to curve left toward Kid Goat and a horse trail forks off to the right. The road itself gives access to Kid Goat and the left side of Nanny Goat and the horse trail leads north to the right side of Nanny Goat, Goat Slabs and Goat Wall. Access to the individual cliffs is described in the appropriate section.

The recently created Yamnuska Natural Area lies immediately north and east of the landfill site and new access from the south, at or near the landfill site, is planned.

The four Goat Mountain climbing areas from left to right; A Kid Goat, B Nanny Goat, C Goat Slabs and D Goat Wall.

