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Deer Mountain Trail: Provide a deeper ditch to route water that runs down the trail about 0.6-0.7 mile up from the trailhead.

Blue Lake: Distance to Blue Lake is greater than 2.0 miles as posted at the Deer Mountain Shelter junction. It's 2.6 miles to the overlook and closer to 3.0-3.1 to it's shore. Beyond the low point in this trail behind the Fin is a large rock formation to climb over. Be nice to have some steps there. May need a trail engineer.

Lunch Creek: Trail is very rough natural tread after the first 2.7 miles, gullies, mud holes, giant steps. It would be a substantial project to extend gravel or boardwalk beyond to meet up with sections of boardwalk that are in place but worth it for ease of passage. The distance to Emery Tobin Lake is about 5.75 miles one way, not the 4.8 miles as posted. Knowing accurate distances in trail miles keeps hikers out of trouble.

Upper Silvis Trail beyond the Silvis Powerhouse: Between switchback #3 and #4 is very rough terrain. It needs some boardwalk and/or stairs for ease of passage.

In all cases: Trim log ends of windfalls farther back from the trail edges. One of the greater highlights on the Minerva Trail is to see mountain goats. If trail access is made easier it will bring in the hunters. Juno Mountain should be closed to mountain goat hunting.