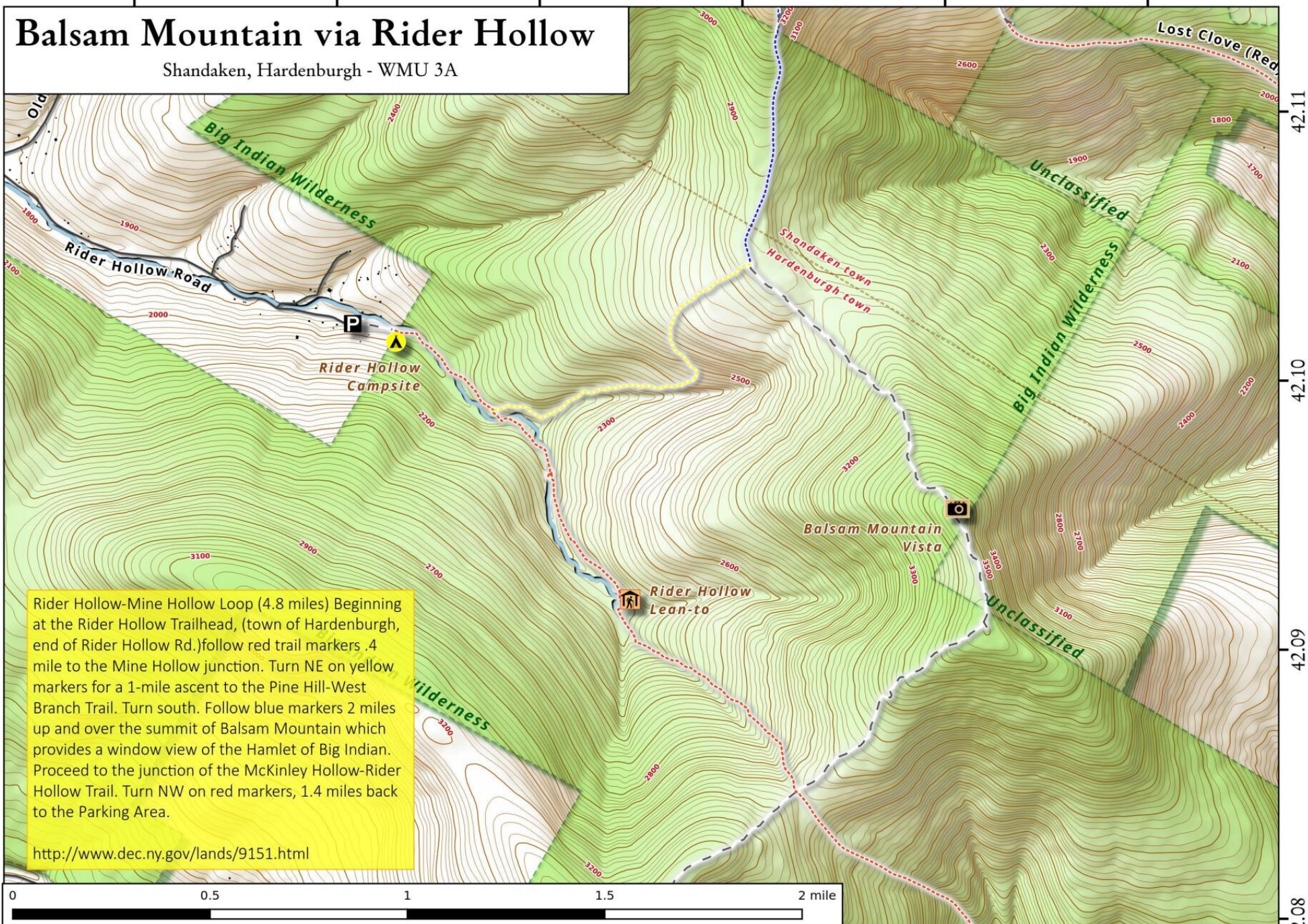


Balsam Mountain via Rider Hollow

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Rider Hollow-Mine Hollow Loop (4.8 miles) Beginning at the Rider Hollow Trailhead, (town of Hardenburgh, end of Rider Hollow Rd.) follow red trail markers .4 mile to the Mine Hollow junction. Turn NE on yellow markers for a 1-mile ascent to the Pine Hill-West Branch Trail. Turn south. Follow blue markers 2 miles up and over the summit of Balsam Mountain which provides a window view of the Hamlet of Big Indian. Proceed to the junction of the McKinley Hollow-Rider Hollow Trail. Turn NW on red markers, 1.4 miles back to the Parking Area.

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