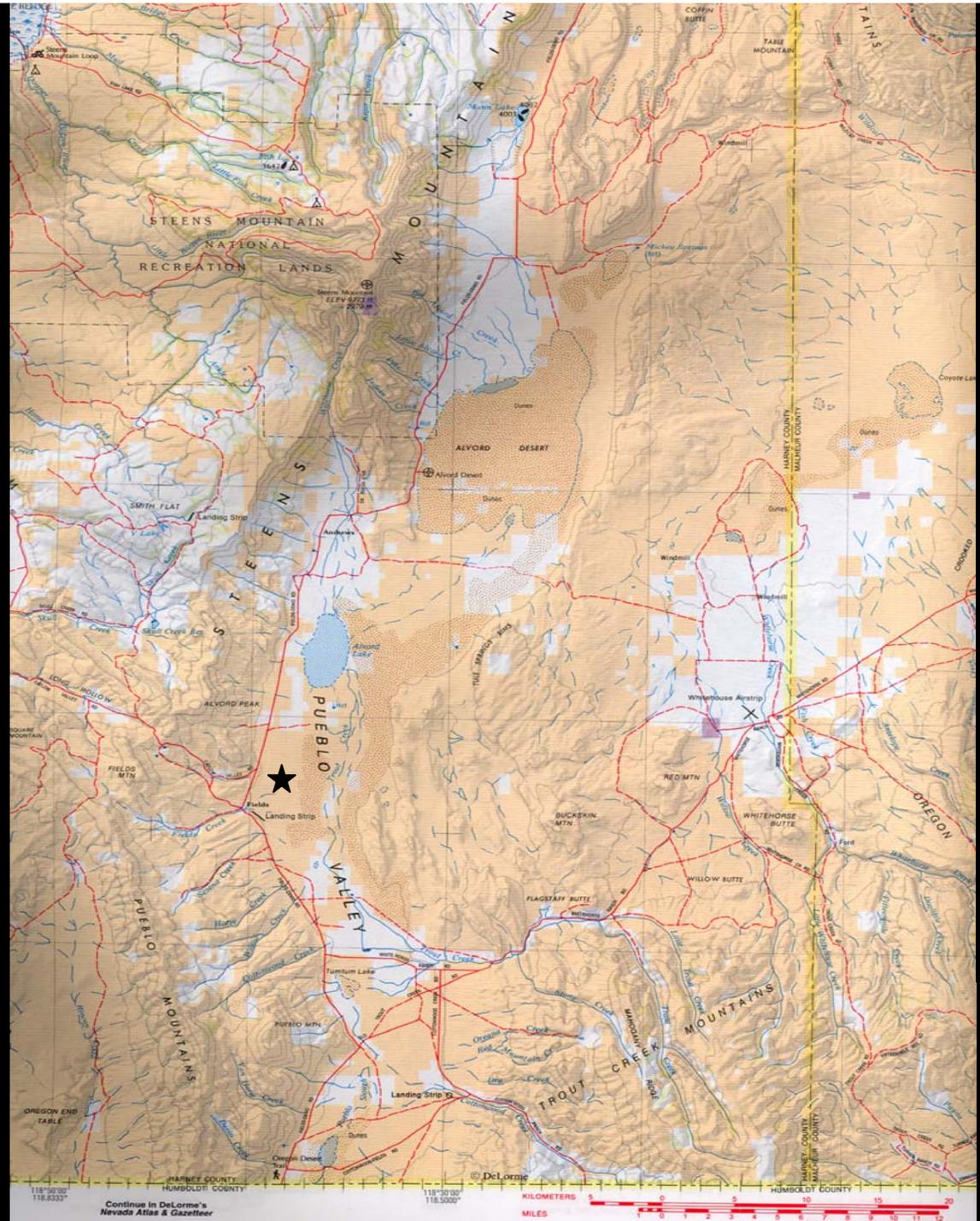


**The Alvord
Basin
stretches
many tens
of
kilometers
NNE x SSW**

**(study site is at
black star)**



**Alvord Dry Lake (aka Alvord Desert) was wet in the center,
dry on the edge in September 2006**



South view of Alvord Basin from Steens Mt.

Arrow indicates location of study site, south of Little Alvord Dry Lake



View of Steens from the middle of Alvord Dry Lake (ADL a.k.a. Alvord Desert)



***Ericameria nauseosa* (yellow) & *Artemisia tridentata* (gray) “fields” on west side of the Alvord Basin, and north of Little Alvord Dry Lake**



Steens has a lot of snow throughout June in most years



**View to west of the camp:
Alvord Peak at dawn**



**The powerline road that we use
actually crosses the entire basin**



**View to the
east of the
study site
during a
light rain**



Summer lightning causes fires

(Alden McCurdy's photo, 2006)



Fire just west of the Alvord Basin, summer 2006



**Patchwork of burned and unburned hillsides along
Catlow Valley Road, as seen in September, 2006**



Much of the east side of Alvord Mt burned in summer 2006



Early morning clouds over Alvord peak



View of the uplands and sky east of Alvord Basin



**The study
area is east
of the
intersection
of these two
roads**



Magnificent mailbox!



Old ranch cabin near Fields



Breakfast Fly-in at Fields Station

