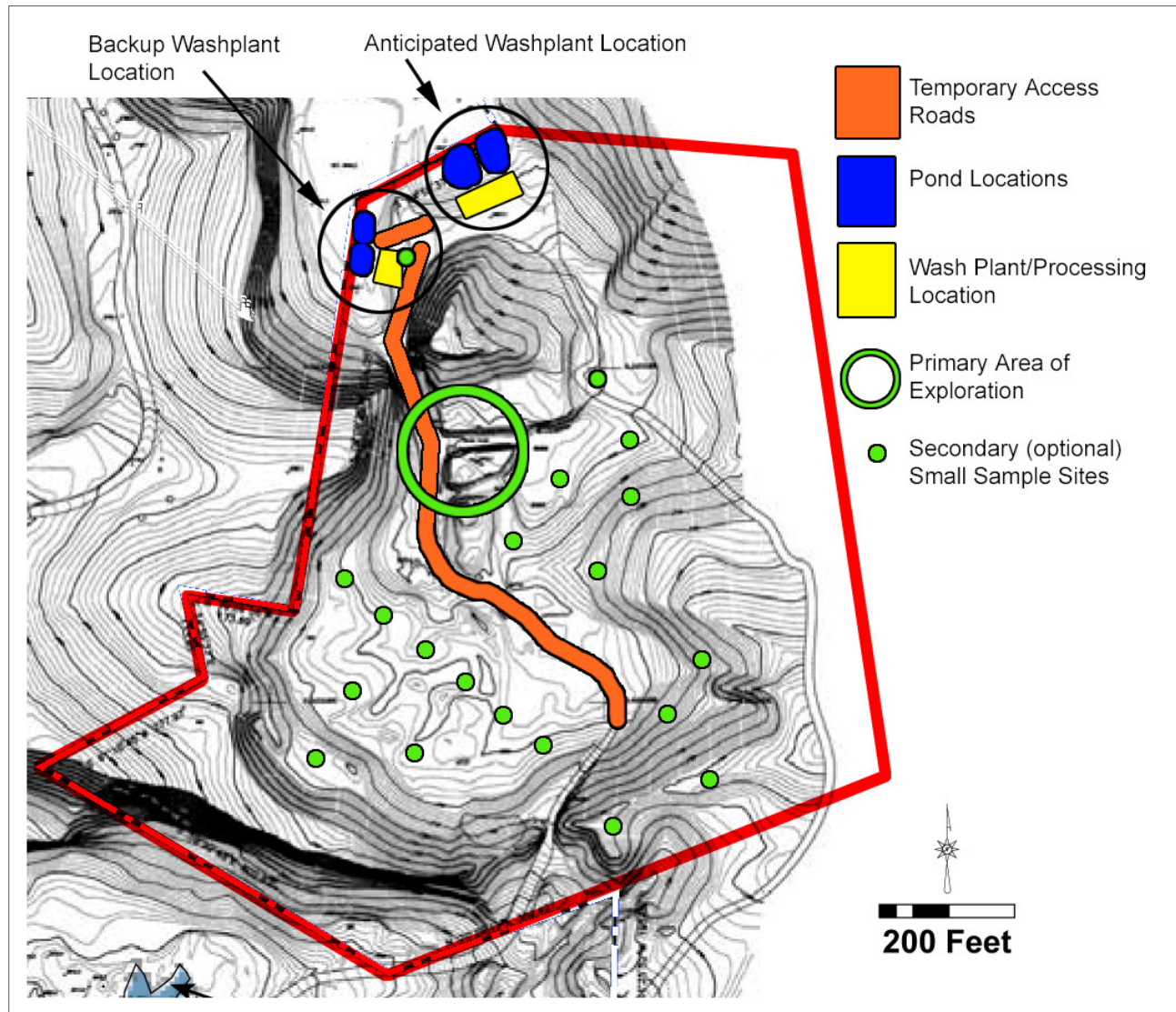


Examination of the area shows this material to be untouched and thus likely not contaminated by any previous mercury-based recovery operations. However, should evidence of mercury be discovered, excavation will cease and the operations plan re-evaluated. Samples will periodically be tested for mercury.



**Figure 4: Map of operations plan locations and key features.** Markings are not scale representations of the features, but rather indicate the areas which will contain the features. Access roads are existing though partially reclaimed. Anticipated washplant/pond location is indicated, but also a second “backup” site is indicated should the anticipated site be infeasible at the time of washplant installation. No BLM corner/survey markers, found at all but the most southerly corner of the claim, will be disturbed.

Water for the wash plant will be recirculated through two ponds of 15,000-30,000 gallons each. These ponds will be partially dug and partially bermed up for depth and