Lake Disappointment

Surrounded by sand dunes, Lake Disappointment is an ephemeral salt lake in one of the most remote areas of Western Australia. An early explorer supposedly named the lake in 1897 after following a network of creeks that he thought would lead to a large lake; they did, but the lake’s extremely salty water was not drinkable.

ASTER data

1° = 4.3 miles (6.9 km)