

1 Jones Pass
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 4.1 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,304/12,456/2,237'
GETTING HERE: Jones Pass Rd (FSR 144.1) across from Henderson Mine, west of Berthoud Falls off Hwy 40, approx. 1746 Co Rd 202, Empire, 80438. ABOUT: Jones Pass Rd travels across the Continental Divide above tree line for several miles until it dead-ends. Dirt road with steep grade in some places, hikers, bikers + backcountry skiers find it challenging. Groomed winter trail open to snowmobiles, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing + fat bikes.

2 Butler Gulch Trail
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4.9 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,516/11,926/1,573'
GETTING HERE: TH is located on Jones Pass Rd (FSR 144.1), west of Berthoud Falls, approx. 0.5 mi up Road 202 from Henderson Mine, approx. 1746 Co Rd 202, Empire, 80438. ABOUT: Trail starts as narrow road winding through the forest at a slight grade, halfway up the grade becomes steeper through spruce/fir forest until ending at an open bowl. Trail is great for wildflowers in summer and backcountry skiing, snowshoeing + fat bikes in the winter.

3 Continental Divide Trail (CDT)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 35 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 11,320/14,270/11,548'
GETTING HERE: Argentine Pass TH: Hwy 6 east towards Keystone, right on Montezuma Rd, left on Peru Creek Rd (Co Rd 260). Berthoud Falls TH (large parking lot) is 6 mi north of Berthoud Falls on US 40 west of Empire. ABOUT: CDT runs 3,100 mi between Mexico & Canada, crossing 5 states along the Rocky Mountains. The Clear Creek County CDT section travels from James Peak to Argentine Pass (51.4 mi). Several high elevation sections make it a primitive, adventurous route. Unless you're a through-hiker, CDT is best traveled between Berthoud Pass & Argentine Pass (35 mi). Not all sections are open to mtn bikes.

4 Herman Gulch (Trail #98)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 6.4 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,294/12,012/1,853'
GETTING HERE: TH with large dirt parking lot north side of I-70 at Exit #218, approx. Watrous Way, Silver Plume, 80435. ABOUT: Former sawmill road up Herman Gulch at a moderate grade, but steepens significantly to Herman Lake above tree line. Trail winds its way through forest, wildflower meadows and creeks, with occasional bighorn sheep or mountain goat sightings. Heavily trafficked during the summer weekends. The CDT Trail overlaps most of the Herman Gulch Trail. Mtn bikes are allowed but not recommended.

5 Watrous Gulch
LEVEL: ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 2.1 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,294/11,759/1,558'
GETTING HERE: TH with large dirt parking lot north side of I-70 at Exit #218, approx. Watrous Way, Silver Plume, 80435. ABOUT: Steep, rocky trail winds upwards from lower TH to a spot high up on Woods Mtn, not quite to the top. At around the 1.3 mi the trail intersects with the west end of Bard Creek Trail. Watrous Gulch is a great fitness challenge trail with awesome views. Mtn bikers heading downhill from the Bard Creek Trail should use caution.

6 Bakerville Loveland Trail - BLT (Clear Creek Greenway Segment)
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 5 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 9,776/10,682/1,218'
GETTING HERE: East TH located on frontage road at Bakerville, south of I-70 at Exit #221. West TH on frontage road, east of Loveland Ski Area at I-70 Exit #216. ABOUT: Paved, multi-use, recreational path, perfect for year round use. Slight uphill grade runs parallel to I-70. Winter snowcat grooming provides improved experience for fat bikes, cross country skiers + snow shoeing. CDT Trail overlaps the BLT Trail, connecting to Herman Gulch TH.

7 Grays & Torreys Peaks (Trail #54)
LEVEL: ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 8 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 11,236/14,260/3,765'
GETTING HERE: I-70 at Bakerville Exit# 221. Adtl. parking at Stevens Gulch Rd, ¼ mi south of the exit. TH + parking lot 3 mi up Stevens Gulch Rd. ABOUT: Two 14'ers situated very close together on the Continental Divide are normally combined into a single day hike. Grays is the highest point on the Continental Divide, providing fantastic views of the surrounding area. Weekend usage is very heavy, so plan accordingly. Bikes are not allowed.

8 Iron Fens / Geneva Basin
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,253/11,798/1,688'
GETTING HERE: Follow Guanella Pass Rd to top & turn on Geneva Creek Rd (FSR 119), approx. 6118 Co Rd 62, Grant, 80448. Follow Geneva Creek Rd (rough dirt road) for 5 mi to fork, past campsite #42. Stay right at the fork to enjoy OHV trails, or left to a locked gate for non-motorized Iron Fen TH. ABOUT: A Colorado State Natural Area with areas of peat-forming wetlands red in color due to iron in the ground water from calcareous rock. Hike or mtn bike dirt roads, but STAY THE TRAIL as Iron Fens are environmentally sensitive. OHV trails are a network of mining roads with historic structures, remnants of the Sill Mine, and amazing views of what was once Geneva City.

9 Square Top Mountain
LEVEL: ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 7 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 11,650/13,786/2,454'
GETTING HERE: Follow Guanella Pass Rd to top. Parking lot south of Mt Bierstadt TH lot on opposite side of road. About: out/back trail above tree line passing 2 high alpine lakes with panorama views. Explore backcountry with knowledge/equipment required to safely travel in avalanche prone terrain. Weekend usage is very heavy, so plan accordingly.

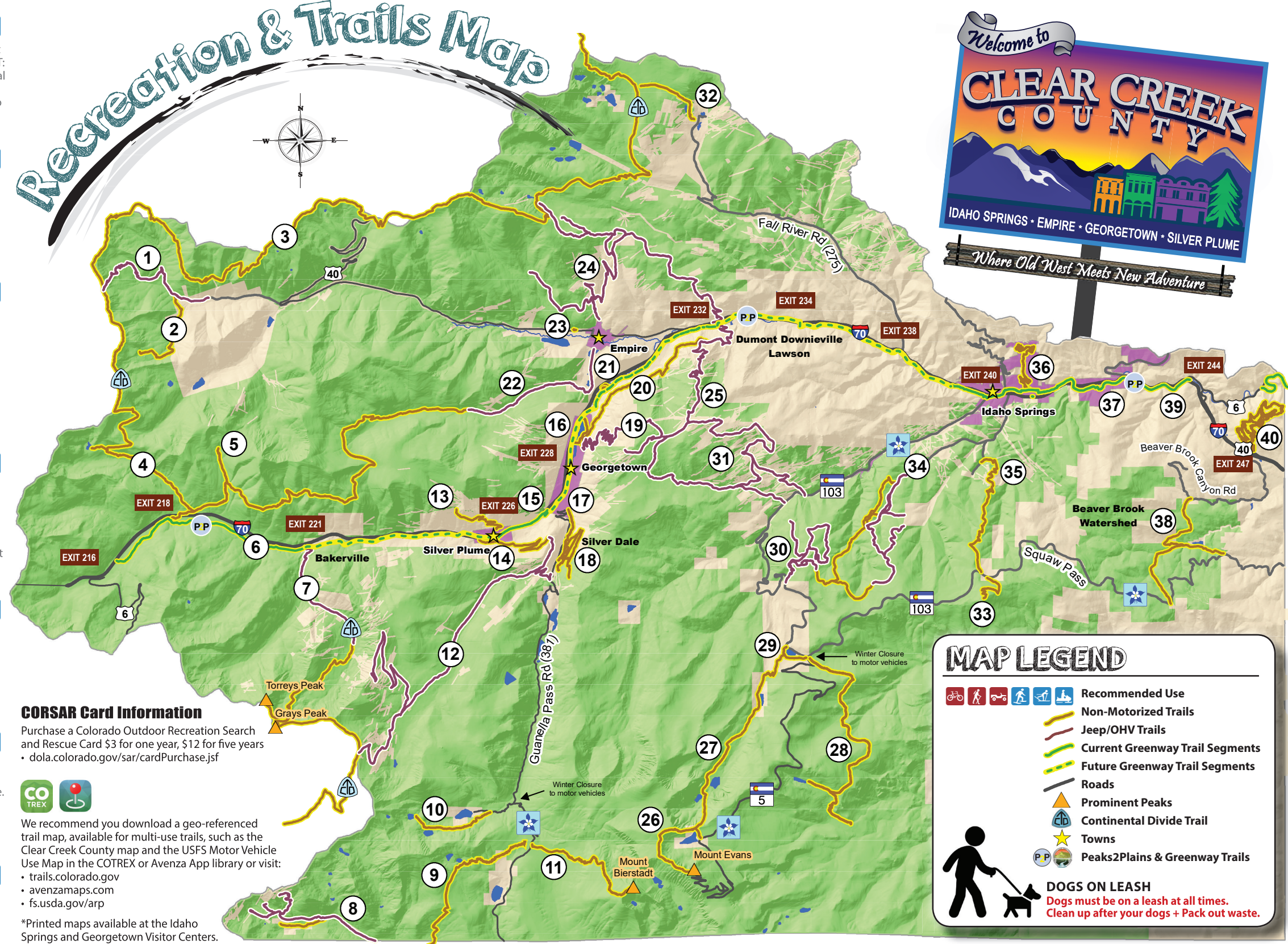
10 Silver Dollar Lake
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 4.2 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 11,199/12,208/1,148'
GETTING HERE: Guanella Pass Rd to Silver Dollar Lake Rd, a dirt road for .7 mi to Silver Dollar Lake TH. Park in lot on right. Silver Dollar Lake Rd is extremely difficult in winter and users should park at Guanella Pass Rd intersection and hike .7 mi to TH. ABOUT: Great for hiking and wildlife near 3 alpine lakes. Silver Dollar Lake is 1.6 mi hike from TH, Murray Lake is another .5 mi beyond Silver Dollar Lake. Naylor Lake is private property, no access.

11 Mt Bierstadt (Trail #711)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 7.2 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 11,630/14,061/2,697'
GETTING HERE: TH with parking lot near the summit of Guanella Pass Rd. Limited Parking. ABOUT: This 14'er offers fantastic views of the surrounding area within the Mt Evans Wilderness Area. Mt Evans can also be reached via the Sawtooth connector for those up for the challenge. Winter closure at Naylor Lake intersection, approx. 0.8 mi north of the summit, reopening Memorial Day weekend, weather permitting. Non-motorized use such as bicycling, snowshoeing and back country skiing is permissible year-round. Weekend usage is very heavy, so plan accordingly. Bikes are not allowed.

12 Argentine Pass (Leavenworth Creek Rd, McClellan Mountain Rd)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 24 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 9,456/13,308/4,065'
GETTING HERE: TH is 2.5 mi up Guanella Pass Rd from Georgetown, at the turnout to Leavenworth Creek Rd. ABOUT: OHV trail network following FSR 248.1 to Argentine Pass, McClellan Mtn, Waldorf, and Santiago Mines. Remains of old mines and several structures are prevalent everywhere. One section of trail winds directly up the creek with two fairly deep creek crossings that can be rather daunting in spring but the views from higher up are well worth the effort. Freely explore spurs along the way – be advised route finding can be tricky – refer to a geo-referenced trail map such as the USFS Motor Vehicle Use Map available at the Visitor Center, in the Avenza app online library, or visit www.fs.usda.gov/arp.

13 7:30 Mine Trail
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4.5 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 9,148/10,586/1,667'
GETTING HERE: TH with limited parking at north end of Silver St., approx. address 805 Silver St., Silver Plume, 80476. Additional parking in town. ABOUT: Narrow mining road up to the 7:30 Mine. Grade varies from 10-15%. Trail is lined with historical markers and artifacts. Griffin Monument, approx. 2 mi up offers excellent views of the area, continue .25 mi to the 7:30 Mine.

Recreation & Trails Map



Map generated by the Clear Creek County Mapping Department - Elevations derived using USGS 10 meter Digital Elevation Model. Gain calculated every .01 mile - clearcreekcountys.us

14 Argentine Central RR Grade
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 3.2 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 9,146/10,038/1,433'
GETTING HERE: Main TH in Silver Plume, ½ mi west of GT Loop Railroad on frontage rd, approx. 120 Mountain St., Silver Plume, 80476. Lower TH for 4x4 access on Leavenworth Creek Rd (FRS248.1 left up to Argentine Pass), 1.2 mi from Guanella Pass Rd & access to Pavilion Point (limited parking). ABOUT: Argentine Central RR Grade combines 2 segments; non-motorized 2.4 mi segment to Pavilion Point from main TH in Silver Plume where 4x4 road continues down .8 mi to Creek Rd. Argentine Central RR Grade represents remnants of an old railroad from Silver Plume to Pavilion Point to Waldorf and Mt McClellan. Grade maxes out at 7.5% making it perfect for hiking, biking, and snowshoeing. Great as an up & down or as a connector between Silver Plume and Silver Dale. Mtn bikers can enjoy the optional Pulaski Trail on their way down to Silver Plume, offering a steep challenging descent.

15 Silver Plume to Georgetown Express (Clear Creek Greenway Segment)
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 1.5 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,687/9,114/541'
GETTING HERE: East TH at the upper (back) corner of the GT Loop Railroad parking lot, approx. 646 Loop Dr., Georgetown, 80444. West TH located at the GT Loop Railroad's Silver Plume Depot, approx. 825 Railroad Ave., Silver Plume, 80476. Park in towns (not at GT Loop) & hike/ride short distance to each TH while visiting Historic towns. ABOUT: A paved path between Silver Plume and Georgetown with views of the railroad and scenic overlook area. Perfect for biking & hiking year round with a slight uphill grade for all skill levels. May also be used to create a fun loop from Georgetown to Argentine Central RR Grade, Silver Dale, & down the Rutherford Trail to Georgetown.

16 Tom Bennhoff Lake Trail
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 1.3 MI RT (LOOP)
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,468/8,530/227'
GETTING HERE: Parking and TH at Georgetown Lake, approx. 2001 22nd St., Georgetown, 80444. ABOUT: Named after former Georgetown Mayor Tom Bennhoff, this wide, fairly flat unpaved, gravel walking path loops around Georgetown Lake. Hikers, bikers, fishermen, snowshoers and others looking for an easy stroll around the lake will thoroughly enjoy this trail any time of year. The short Purdy and Dunbarton connector trails on the backside of the trail provide access to Silver Creek Trail higher up on the ridge side.

17 Silver Dale
LEVEL: EASY/INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4.2 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH: 9,266/10,127'
GETTING HERE: TH & parking located on Guanella Pass Rd, 2 mi up from Georgetown, approx. 1380 Co Rd 381, Georgetown, 80444. ABOUT: Beginner oriented (non-motorized) trail network with a few intermediate sections, open year-round. 3 well-marked, color coded "loops" enable navigation among 6 short trails: Sporting Times, Raibled, Clear Branch, Chicago Rd., Highline Trail, & Anna Trail with mtn views & river access. Explore old mining areas such as Colorado Central Mill with QR code markers on historic sites. The Highline Trail continues, steeply winding to the top of Saxon Mtn for those in search of a serious workout. The Rutherford Trail also connects to Sporting Times Trail for those wishing to access Silver Dale from Georgetown.

18 Rutherford Trail
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: .93 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,553/9,234/798'
GETTING HERE: Lower TH and parking lot at the end of 3rd St. in the southwest corner of Georgetown. Upper TH located in Silver Dale, along the Sporting Times Trail. ABOUT: Excellent hiking and snowshoeing from Georgetown to Silver Dale and connects to Sporting Times Trail. Trail runs adjacent to S. Clear Creek with grades varying from 5-12%. Begins as a dirt road through a gate and heads up along the creek. Narrow trail begins across last bridge, about .3 mi up. The trail continues along the creek and connects to Sporting Times Trail in Silver Dale. A kiosk sign providing information can be found at the TH. QR code signs along the way mark historic locations.

19 Saxon Mountain Road
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 6.6 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,617/11,418/3,546'
GETTING HERE: TH on Saxon Mtn Rd in Georgetown, approx. 1 mi from 11th & Main St. (Main St. becomes Saxon Mtn Rd). ABOUT: Old mining road climbs 3k feet. Significant exposure & tight spots along the way make for nerve wracking moments, but the views are fantastic! Don't miss the old cabins & ruins of the Anglo-Saxon, Loranzie, and Highland Mines. Great as an up/down or connect with Cascade/Ute Creek Loop (FSR 712.1) where it intersects South Spring Gulch Trail about 1.2 mi from the summit.

20 Silver Creek Trail
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4.6 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,618/9,009/1,778'
GETTING HERE: West TH located off the last driveway on Saxon Mtn Rd approx. 350 Saxon Mtn Rd, Georgetown, 80444. Trail can also be accessed via Purdy & Dunbarton trails on Tom Bennhoff Lake Trail, or via .4 mi access trail (w/small parking lot) on frontage road, approx. 849 Alvarado Rd, Georgetown, 80444. ABOUT: Running from Saxon Mtn Rd to Spring Creek (Silver City Jeep Rd) above Lawson. Grade/elevation change is minimal, but technical sections, obstacles & narrow segments with steep drops keep your heart rate up. Old mines along the way add to the experience. Fairly easy for hiking, but exposure makes it intermediate for mtn biking. Hikers access Silver Creek Trail via Purdy Trail off Tom Bennhoff Lake Trail or frontage road.

21 Alvarado Open Space Park
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 1 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 12,248/14,246/2,002'
GETTING HERE: TH access from two dirt pullouts east of Georgetown Lake. Approx. address 1529 Alvarado Rd., Georgetown, 80444. About: Unpaved, open space with river access points, ponds, bridges, and two short connected trails (Moose and Lake Loop) into Cottonwood forest.

22 Bard Creek (Trail #83)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 9.8 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,130/12,037/3,647'
GETTING HERE: East TH (w/limited parking) at end of Bard Creek Rd (FSR 777.1), 4 mi west of Empire. Adtl. parking in pull-outs along FSR 777.1 or in town. West TH at intersection with Watrous Gulch Trail, 1.5 mi from large dirt parking lot off I-70 Exit #218. ABOUT: Single track from Bard Creek Rd to Watrous Gulch Trail. Fairly long, mixed level trail. Eastern half runs along Bard Creek with fantastic views above tree line. Mtn bikers should plan on some hike-a-bike along the way. The Watrous Gulch Trail segment is advanced with steep rock obstacles. Route finding above tree line can be challenging, keep an eye out for rock cairns & prepare for rapidchanging weather conditions.

23 PAW Education Research Trail (PERT)
LEVEL: EASY (ADA ACCESSIBLE) | DISTANCE: 0.2 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,629/8,641/14'
GETTING HERE: ¼ mile west of Empire on US40, north of West Park Ave. ABOUT: ADA accessible trail showcasing the history of the wagon road over Berthoud Pass. 481' long with grades ranging from 5% to 18%. Trail is enhanced for visually impaired with gravel sections providing texture as a 'tactile warning' to indicate location of 3-dimensional, way finding maps with elevation changes and obstacles ahead.

24 North Empire Jeep Trails
LEVEL: MIXED | DISTANCE: 15 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,751/10,458/2,109'
GETTING HERE: US 40 to Empire, right on Main St. to N. Empire Rd, to Bill Moore Lake TH in Lions Creek Rd. Continue on N. Empire Rd to FSR 171.1 to FSR 183.1, this is Mill Creek TH. Continue left on FSR 183.1 to Bill Moore Lake, or follow FSR 171.1 to the right (Mill Creek Loop). Red Elephant upper TH is at FSR 171.1 & 171.3A. Lower Red Elephant TH access via FR308 from US 40 at I-70 underpass; approx. 2342 Co Rd 308 Idaho Springs, 80452. ABOUT: Network of USFS roads & spurs, or all-day route of Bill Moore Lake, Mill Creek Loop & Red Elephant Hill. Beginner to advanced OHV roads (Red Elephant Hill toughest) wander through forest, obstacles, & meadows to Bill Moore Lake. Stop by the "Empire Hilton", a historic survival cabin on Mill Creek Loop.

25 Spring Creek (Silver City Rd)
LEVEL: ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 5 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,113/11,099/3,350'
GETTING HERE: TH and staging area at the intersection of Alvarado and Silver City Rd, immediately on your left after crossing the bridge on Alvarado Rd at I-70 exit #233, approx. address 70 Silver City Rd, Dumont, 80436. ABOUT: This is a serious rock crawling trail with constant challenges, including named obstacles such as "The Wall". NOT a trail for beginners! The trail climbs straight up the mountain on FSR 712.2, providing spectacular views high above I-70 of the surrounding area. A short distance beyond the final obstacle, appropriately named the "Rock Garden", you will intersect with the Cascade/Ute Creek Loop where you can choose to head down FSR 712.1 to Hwy 103 or Saxon Mtn Rd to Georgetown. Weekend usage is very heavy, so plan accordingly.

26 Mt Evans (West Ridge via Mt Spalding + Trail #51)
LEVEL: ADVANCED | DISTANCE: 2.75 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 12,248/14,246/2,000'
GETTING HERE: Mt Evans lower TH and parking area at Summit Lake, 9 mi up Mt Evans Rd from the gate at Hwy 103. The upper TH is at the top of Mt Evans. Fees apply for vehicles: www.recreation.gov for tickets and reservations. Tickets are not available at the entrance. ABOUT: This steep/rocky trail at high altitude is not for beginners. Hike from Summit Lake as an up & down, or catch a ride back down Mt Evans Rd. You are encouraged to visit the interpretive center and continue the short .3 mi walk up Trail #51 to the summit at 14,271' for amazing views and wildlife such as marmots and mountain goats. Those who prefer a paved route to the top can traverse the 14.4 mi route from the Forest Service gate to the top of Mt Evans. This route is closed to vehicles Memorial Day through Labor Day, weather permitting. Non-motorized use such as bicycling, snowshoeing and back country skiing is permissible year-round. Weekend usage is very heavy, so plan accordingly.

27 Chicago Lakes (Trail #52)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 5.4 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,600/12,865/3,024'
GETTING HERE: The lower TH is on the backside of Echo Lake Trail, park at Echo Lake off of Hwy 103. The upper TH is at Summit Lake, 9 mi up Mt Evans Rd. ABOUT: This trail climbs its way up at a steady grade from Echo Lake, then alongside Chicago Creek through the Mt Evans Wilderness past Idaho Springs Reservoir and Chicago Lakes, up a rocky section to Summit Lake. The upper TH intersects with the Mt Evans West Ridge via Mt Spalding Trail #51. Users can hike this as an up & down, shuttle from Summit Lake, or continue on to the top of Mt Evans. Bikes are not allowed on this trail.

28 Resthouse Meadows (Trail #57)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 6.4 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,655/11,444/1,754'
GETTING HERE: From I-70 exit #240, travel 14 mi south on Hwy 103 to Echo Lake Campground. Trail begins on campground loop (FSR 191.1). Follow "TRAIL" signs past restrooms and camp sites. ABOUT: Climbs through trees and across Vance Creek to tree line where 700 acres of forest burned in the 1962 Lincoln Lake Fire. Elk now enjoy grazing the meadow. Out & back hikers take the right fork to Lincoln Lake Trail (Trail #45) midway through the meadow for the .5 mi walk to Lincoln Lake before heading back down to Echo Lake for a 1+ mi hike. Long distance hikers - continue last mile of steep terrain to Summit Lake Flats Trail (Trail #82) to Summit Lake, or beyond the intersection to trail's end at Beaver Meadows Trail (Trail #44).

29 Echo Lake
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 0.75 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,600/10,661/90'
GETTING HERE: I-70 exit #240 up Hwy 103 12.5 mi from Idaho Springs, approx. address: CO-103 & Mt Evans Rd, Evergreen, CO 80439. Parking at Echo Lake picnic area or near the gate for Mt Evans. ABOUT: Enjoyed year round, this trail offers an easy, relaxing walk around the south side of Echo Lake with beautiful scenery. This trail also provides access to Chicago Lakes Trail #52 for those interested in continuing their journey to Summit Lake. Bicycles are not allowed on this path. Great for snowshoeing. **Limited amenities available as the at Echo Lake Lodge is closed for renovation.

30 Devils Canyon Area
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 10 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH: 10,327/10,415'
GETTING HERE: I-70 exit #240 Hwy 103 south for 10.2 mi to the TH at FSR 246.1, approx. address 9795 Hwy 103, Idaho Springs, 80452. ABOUT: Devils Canyon is a vast network of forest service roads and OHV trails. Most spurs come to a dead end, but present interesting challenges along the way. The first section is fairly steep but easy climb. The area is possible to run as a large loop that starts and ends at the first fork, or you could spend the day exploring all the side roads. This area is closed to vehicles Dec-Jun.

31 Cascade/Ute Creek
LEVEL: EASY/INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 12 MI RT (LOOP)
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,527/9,601/1,293'
GETTING HERE: I-70 exit #240 in Idaho Springs, 5.3 mi up Hwy 103 to Cascade Creek TH (.5 mi past Ute Creek Rd) on the right, approx. address 5494 CO-103, Idaho Springs, 80452. ABOUT: Jeep/OHV road running along Cascade and Ute Creeks. Fairly easy with a few challenging sections and creek crossings. Alternately, you can drive to top of Saxon Mtn or explore many spurs along the way to make for a longer trip. This route can be used as a connector from Saxon Mtn to Georgetown or Spring Creek Trail to Idaho Springs.

32 St. Mary's Glacier
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 3.9 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,540/11,653/1,147'
GETTING HERE: TH and two, pay parking lots located 9 mi up Fall River Rd from I-70 exit #238, approx. address 9054 Fall River Rd, Idaho Springs, 80452. ABOUT: A fantastic out & back trail with a moderate uphill grade. The trail starts wide but becomes narrow with numerous side trails branching off through the woods. Hikers will find St. Mary's Lake about .5 mi up the trail, from there take the bridge across and continue up the rocky hill to the glacier, or continue another mile to the junction with Kingston Peak Trail for great high altitude views. The St. Mary's Glacier Trail is enjoyable year round, and is an exceptional favorite for snowshoeing. Weekend usage is very heavy, so plan accordingly. Fee/Paid Parking Required.

33 Chief Mountain (Trail #58)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 2.9 MI RT
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,722/11,707/1,039'
GETTING HERE: Parking in pullout on north side of Hwy 103, .5 mi west of Echo Mountain Ski Resort near mile marker 18, TH across the Hwy. ABOUT: Users encounter a consistent uphill grade through spruce and fir forest to tree line where the alpine tundra begins. This fairly arduous, hiking trail, with a steep section prior to the summit where you will be rewarded with incredible 360 degree views of the surrounding area, including Bear Creek Basin, Mt Evans, Mt Goliath, Rogers Peak and Roslin Peak.

34 Barbour Fork Area (Including Trail #48)
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 8 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 8,692/10,572/2,542'
GETTING HERE: TH w/large dirt parking lot located 3 mi past Indian Hot Springs on Soda Creek Rd, approx. address 2930 Soda Creek Rd, Idaho Springs, 80452. Trail #48 is located .5 mi up FSR 194.2. ABOUT: Mix of single track and OHV roads. (closed to motorized vehicles Dec-Jun) Hikers and mtn bikers can explore the area via Trail #48 (non-motorized) combined with OHV roads crossing through groves of aspen and conifer trees. OHVs enjoy intermediate level 4x4 roads as they meander on USFS roads in a counter-clockwise loop with optional spurs. All will appreciate fantastic overlooks and ruins along the way.

35 Warren Gulch
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4.2 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 10,730/10,730/2,520'
GETTING HERE: Upper TH w/parking located on Hwy 103 above ECHO Ski Resort. Lower TH on Steve Canyon Rd, parking/shuttle/loading 1 mi away at bottom of Little Bear Creek Rd at Soda Creek Rd intersection. ABOUT: Rocky, fairly technical single track with a consistent, steep grade favored by downhill mtn bikers. Mountain bikes may shuttle the 10 mi from the lower parking area up Little Bear Creek Rd to ECHO Ski Resort, ride up the shuttle route, or ride up Soda Creek Rd and take Steve Canyon Rd to the lower TH where you will be faced with a steep climb to the top. Users are encouraged to remain on the trail and respect private property as the trail weaves between USFS land and private property on the lower section.

36 Virginia Canyon Mountain Park
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 4 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 7,526/8,824/1,298'
GETTING HERE: TH base access from ARGO Mill and Tunnel along Greenway Trail, upper access from Virginia Canyon. About: Currently hiking use only trail with multi-use future development in phased openings. www.comba.org/virginiacanyon

37 Scott Lancaster Memorial Trail (Clear Creek Greenway Segment)
LEVEL: EASY | DISTANCE: 4 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 7,231/7,561/878'
GETTING HERE: Two locations available: one at the Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex at 101 E. Idaho Springs Rd, 80452 and two, Game Check Station TH at 1335 E. Idaho Springs Rd, 80452. Additional parking in town. ABOUT: Paved multi-use recreational path with bike lane sections along the frontage roads home to several popular fishing sites and wildlife. This path runs from Hwy 6 & I-70 just west of Floyd Hill and across the Scott Lancaster Memorial Bridge to the City of Idaho Springs. ** Construction is currently underway east of Idaho Springs, please obey all closures and caution signs.

38 Beaver Brook Watershed
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 12 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH: 8,543/9,183'
GETTING HERE: Three access points; upper TH w/ large parking area on Hwy 103 at Witter Gulch Rd (Road 475). Lower TH (w/limited parking) on Old Squaw Pass Rd at Hwy 103, and Pat Creek Open Space TH (w/limited parking) along Beaver Brook Canyon Rd near Floyd Hill. ABOUT: Network of old wagon roads for hikers, bikers and equestrians. Main trail runs from Old Squaw Pass Rd to Beaver Brook Reservoir where it bears left towards the upper TH at Witter Gulch Rd North Beaver Brook Trail splits to the right up an old wagon trail to Pat Creek Open Space.

39 Clear Creek Greenway
LEVEL: EASY/INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 30 MI ONEWAY
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 7,231/10,682/5,657'
GETTING HERE: East TH on the US 40 Frontage Rd, across Hwy 6 from Two Bears Tap & Grill at I-70 exit #244, approx. address 33295 US-6, Idaho Springs, 80452. West TH on the Frontage Rd adjacent to the Loveland Valley Ski Area at I-70 exit #216. Several parking areas with trail access at various locations along the Greenway. ABOUT: Various segments make-up this "trail" that will become part of the P2P (Peaks-to-Plains) trail system crossing Colorado, but for now it remains a patchwork of interconnected 6-8ft wide concrete and asphalt paths, interspersed with bike lanes along frontage roads running the length of Clear Creek County from Hwy 6 & I-70 east of Idaho Springs to Loveland Valley Ski Area. This is a great multi-use recreational path and provides access for fishing and wildlife viewing. Construction and improvements are ongoing. www.ccgreenway.com.

40 Floyd Hill Open Space
LEVEL: EASY/INTERMEDIATE | DISTANCE: 10 MI TRAIL NETWORK
ELEVATION START/HIGH/GAIN: 7,931/8,335/466'
GETTING HERE: TH and dirt parking lot on US40 at the bottom of Floyd Hill, on north side of I-70 at exit #247. From Denver exit #248 and continue 1.3 mi west on US40 to the trailhead. Approx. address 37899 US40, Evergreen, 80439. ABOUT: Premier mountain biking with downhill biking only trails, multi-use and hiking only trails. The Sluice is a black diamond(expert) downhill biking only trail with optional features, banked corners and jumps. The northern portion offers multi-use loop trails and the 'Aqueudat', a rock climbing enthusiasts destination. The Meadow Loop (multi-use clockwise travel only) offers minimal elevation gain to serve leisurely recreational users.

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