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CAMPING

GOLD PARK CAMPGROUND

Fee: \$21.00/ per night

Drinking Water: No

Vault Toilets: Yes

Elevation: 9,300 feet

No. of Sites: 11

Open: late May - mid Sept.

Reservations taken: No

Occupancy limit: 10 days

Access from Vail:

- Travel west on I-70 to Exit 171 for Minturn, Leadville, and Hwy 24.
- Exit here and turn right (south) on US 24.
- Proceed for about 13 miles to Homestake Road, FSR 703.
- Take a right onto this good dirt road and continue 7 miles to the Gold Park Campground on the left.

Facilities:

- There are 11 campsites each with a campfire grate and table.
- Parking spurs are 30 to 40 feet long.
- Vault toilet with no wash sinks available.
- Drinking water is NOT available.

Attractions:

- The campground is located along Homestake Creek in the Homestake Valley in a forested setting.
- The Holy Cross Wilderness is nearby; all wilderness regulations must be observed when traveling in the wilderness (foot and horse travel only).
- There are several trailheads into the wilderness within driving distance of the campground including Whitney Lake-FDT 2002, Missouri Lakes-FDT 2003, Fancy Pass-FDT 2006, and Lonesome Lake-FDT 2126 trails.
- The nearby jeep road (FSR 759) to the Holy Cross City site is not passable except by 4-wheel drive vehicles with winches. The site is a 4 mile walk and has some historic ruins from an old mining town.
- Homestake Reservoir is about 3 miles further west on Homestake Road. This is a 480 acre reservoir when full. Canoes, row boats, and small motor boats can be used on the reservoir.
- Fishing is fair to good in Homestake Creek and fair in Homestake Reservoir.