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HIKING

FANCY PASS TRAIL #2006

Length:

- 3.2 miles to Fancy Lake
- 3.75 miles to Fancy Pass
- 4.4 miles to Treasure Vault Lake

Difficulty: More Difficult

Beginning Elevation: 10,017 ft

Ending Elevation: 11,816 ft.

Elevation Gain:

- +1612 ft.-78 ft = +1534 ft to Fancy Lake
- +2451 ft -78 ft = +2373 ft to Fancy Pass
- +2451 ft -652 ft =+1799 ft to Treasure Vault

Trail Use: Moderate to High

Open To: Hiking, Horseback

USGS Map(s): Mt of the Holy Cross, Mt Jackson

Permit Information: In order to continue to provide quality recreation experiences and to protect the wilderness lands, the Forest Service must gather data regarding visitor use and travel patterns. Each party staying overnight in the Holy Cross Wilderness is **required to self-register at the trailhead and to carry a copy of the registration with them** during their visit. There is no fee charged and no limit to the number of permits issued.

Access from Vail: Travel west on I-70 to Exit #171 for Minturn, Leadville, and Hwy 24. Exit here and turn right onto Hwy 24. Proceed south for 13 miles to Homestake Road #703. Turn right and proceed past the Gold Park Campground to mile 8.5. Turn right onto Homestake Road #704. Turn right and continue 3 miles on this dirt road to a T at 10,200 ft. Turn right and trailhead will be on the left.

Trail Highlights: The trail begins with switchbacks up a forested slope. Then you will cross Fancy Creek over the Zen Bridge and hike a more moderate section. At about mile 2.6, the trail crosses a small, lush meadow then steepens on the climb to the lake. From the lake, it is a steep climb and descent over Fancy Pass to Treasure Vault Lake.

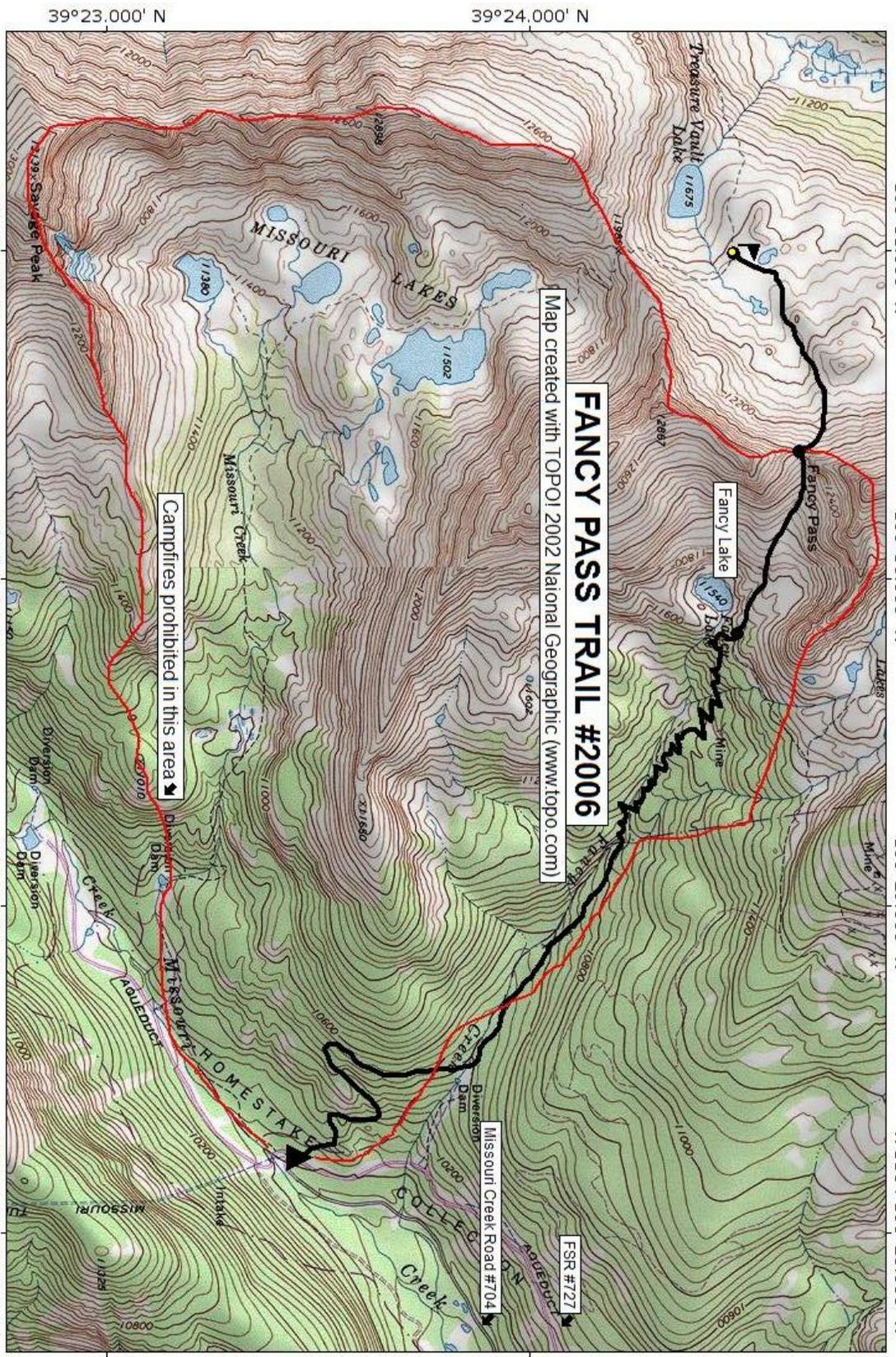
Important Information: Fancy Pass is within the **Holy Cross Wilderness**. Wilderness is for your use and enjoyment, but you have an obligation to leave it unimpaired for future generations. Please understand your responsibilities when visiting these special places and leave no trace of your visit. A few of the Holy Cross Wilderness regulations include:

- * Camping - camp at least 100 feet from streams, lakes, and trails. The tundra is very delicate; please stay on trails and hard surfaces as much as possible.
- * Dogs - must be under control and must not harass wildlife, people, or damage property.
- * Fire - fires are prohibited within the Fancy Creek and Missouri Creek watersheds.
- * Group size - limit group sizes to 15 people.
- * Sanitation - bury human waste at least 100 feet from water and 6 inches in the soil.

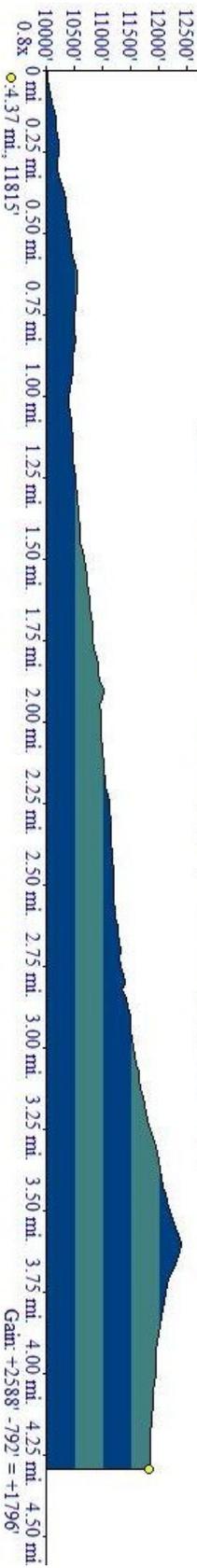
PACK IT IN - PACK IT OUT!! LEAVE NO TRACE!!

This map is intended for use as a general guide only, not for actual land navigation. The White River National Forest strongly suggests purchasing a topographic map and compass prior to your hiking trip.

TOPOI map printed on 04/02/13 from "Fancy_pass.tpo"
106°31.000' W 106°30.000' W 106°29.000' W 106°28.000' W
WGS84 106°28.000' W



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Gain: +2588' -792' = +1796'