

Blanco Ranger
District
220 E Market Street
Meeker, CO 81641



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Agriculture



ANDERSON RESERVOIR TRAIL #2260

Open To: HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING

Length: 1 mile

Difficulty: Moderate

TRAIL USE: Moderate

BEGINNING ELEVATION: 8,759 feet

ENDING ELEVATION: 9,344 feet (highest point 9,358 feet)

ELEVATION GAIN: +599 feet – 14 feet = +585 feet

ACCESS:

- The Anderson Reservoir Trail is located 44 miles east of Meeker.
- From Meeker, take State Highway 13 east for 1 mile.
- Where Highway 13 turns north, turn east on Rio Blanco County Road 8 for 39 miles.
- Turn south on the Trappers Lake Road (FDR 205) for 4 miles to Anderson Reservoir Trail at Picket Pin Creek.

TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS:

The trail climbs steeply out of Picket Pin Creek, then angles to the left through Aspen and Lodgepole Pine until coming to the lake. Anderson Reservoir offers good fishing, pleasant hiking and during the fall of the year the Water Lilies bloom in abundance.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **THIS TRAIL IS USED FOR MULTIPLE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING HIKING AND HORSEBACK RIDING. PLEASE RESPECT OTHER USERS.**
- **DOMESTIC CATTLE MAY BE GRAZING IN THE AREA.**

ETHICS/REGULATIONS: Anderson Reservoir is in the Flat Tops Wilderness, please educate yourself about Wilderness Ethics. Know the following rules:

- **DOGS:** Possessing a dog or other animal that is harassing wildlife or people or damaging property is prohibited. There is no leash law in the Flat Tops, however dogs must be kept under verbal control at all times.
- **TRASH: PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT** -- even biodegradable items like fruit peels!
- Limit group size to 10 people and 15 stock/pack animals or less
- **SANITATION** - bury human waste 100 feet from trails and water and 6 inches in the soil or pack it out along with toilet paper.
- Above tree line camp stoves with a shut-off valve are the only fire sources allowed. Do not plan on using a campfire for cooking or warmth! Pack accordingly.

WILDERNESS AREAS are in a delicate state of natural balance, they are not renewable resources. Any careless act upsets this natural balance and destroys the beauty found in the Wilderness. By following Wilderness ethics and regulations you can protect and preserve the natural qualities of the Wilderness for future visits. **PLEASE, RESPECT THE LAND AND RIGHTS OF OTHERS!**

