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RED SANDSTONE ROAD #700

Length: 10.65 miles (one way)
Difficulty: Easiest
Beginning Elevation: 8,354 feet
Elevation Gain: +1679 feet - 671 feet = +1008 feet

Trail Use: Moderate
Open To: XC, Snowshoe, Snowmobile
Ending Elevation: 9362 feet
USGS Map(s): Vail West

Access from Vail: Exit I-70 at Vail exit 176 and take the North Frontage Road west to Red Sandstone Road. Turn right and follow to the winter road closure gate and park here. Be aware that there is not a lot of space for snowmobile trailers, however.

Attractions/Considerations: This road accesses Piney Lake at the foot of Mount Powell. The last 1/3 mile of this mapped route is on private property operated by Piney River Ranch. Please respect their rules and be aware that they do run commercial snowmobile tours up this route. This map also shows private property about 6 miles up this route. Please respect private property and stay on the designated road through here. The Red Sandstone area consists of 63 miles of roads usable for snowmobiles. Any designated forest road in the area can be used except where signed for closures. Excellent views of the Gore and Sawatch Ranges are abundant.

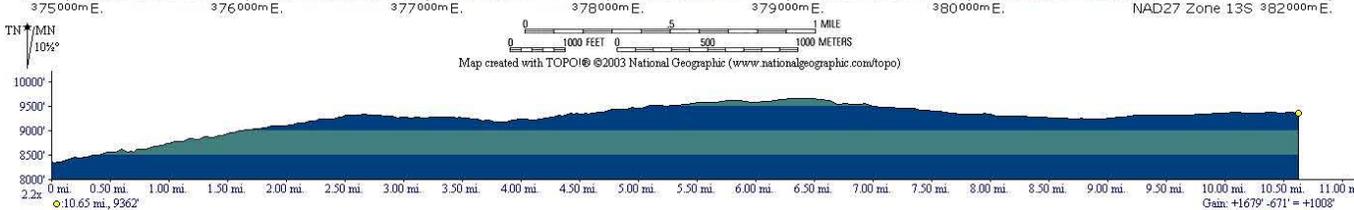
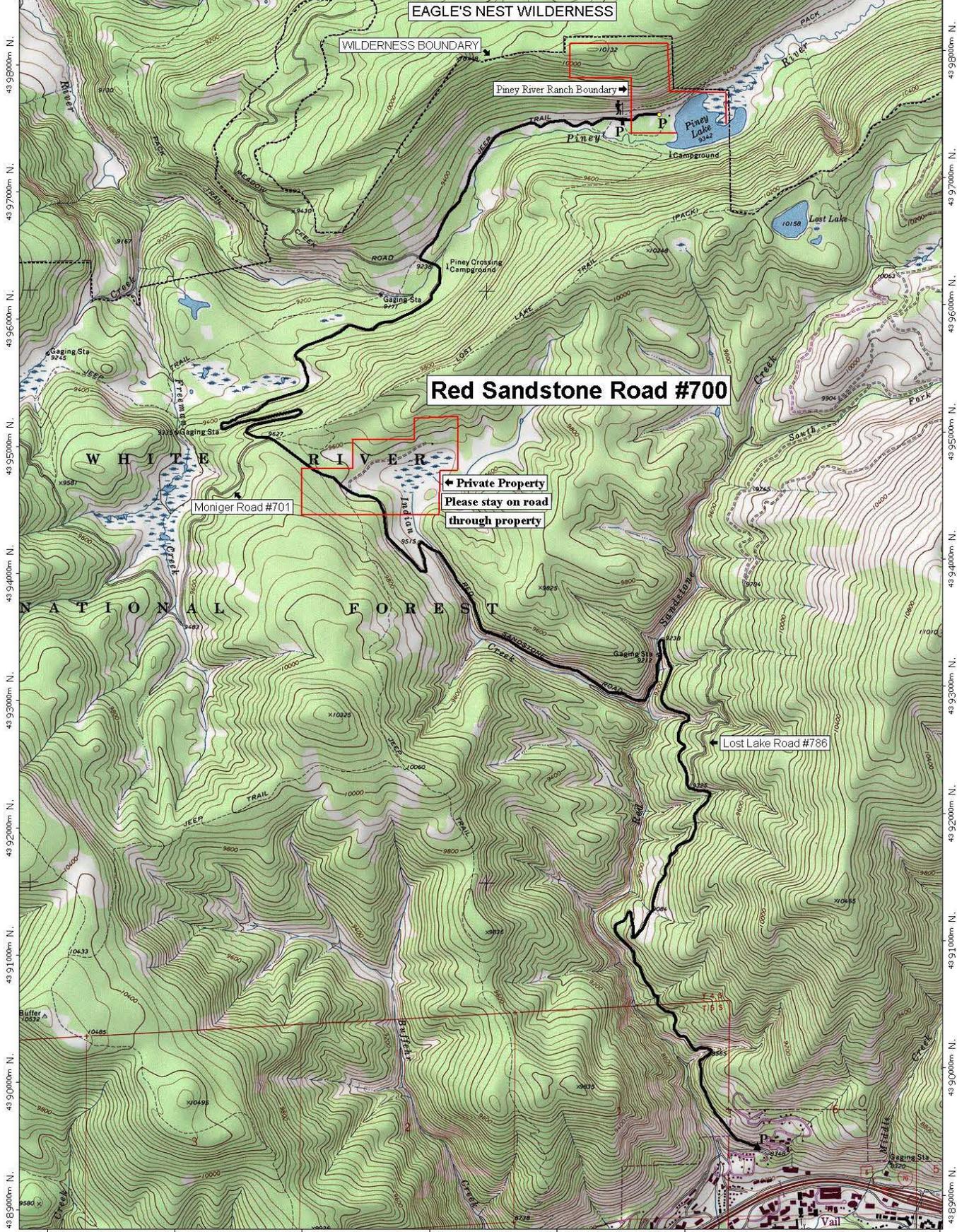
Trail Highlights: Follow the road about 2.7 miles to an intersection with the Lost Lake Road (#786) and continue left. At mile 6.5 you will reach another intersection. Here the Moniger Road (#701) will split to the left. Stay right and continue to Piney Crossing at mile 9.1 where the road crosses the Piney River then reaches one last intersection. Meadow Creek continues straight, but turn right to reach Piney Lake. Make sure to respect any signs when reaching the private property just before the lake.

Ethics/Regulations: Before you go out, check into available routes, ownership of land, posted areas, regulations that apply, and the following rules:

- **Respect private property.** Ask permission before entering.
- **Be considerate** of other winter back-country travelers. We're all out to enjoy the outdoors.
- **Avoid disturbing wildlife** by staying out of elk and deer wintering areas. Detour if you spot wildlife.
- **Wilderness Areas and Primitive areas are closed to motorized vehicles.** Inquire at a local Forest Service office if in doubt. Obey all signs.
- **Beware of avalanches!** Avalanches may occur at any time during the winter. Avoid mountainous terrain after heavy snowfalls or prolonged periods of high wind. Stay on the windblown side of ridges. Avoid crossing steep hillsides and entering narrow, steep canyons.
- **Remember to notify** a responsible person of your travel plans.

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.



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