Blanco Ranger District 220 E Market Street Meeker, CO 81641







DOE CREEK TRAIL #2259

Difficulty: More Difficult

Trail Use: Light Length: 3.3 miles

Elevation: Starts 9,636 feet and ends 10,948 feet (highest point 10,948 feet)

Elevation Gain: +1,313 feet -1 feet =+1,312 feet

Open To: HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING

Access:

Doe Creek Trail is located 48.5 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 18 miles.
- Turn south on Rio Blanco County Road 10 for 2 miles, jog north for 1/4 mile, then east for 10 miles to the South Fork Campground and trailhead.
- Follow the South Fork Trail 17.25 miles up the South Fork Canyon past Budges Resort to the Doe Creek Trail junction.
- The trail is accessible from the Colorado River via the Coffee Pot Road, FDR #600 to Budges Resort. The Nichols Creek Trail lies 3.25 miles from the road up the South Fork Trail.

Trail Highlights:

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

- Cattle: May be grazing in the area
- DOGS: Possessing a dog or other animal that is harassing wildlife or people or damaging property is prohibited. There is no leas 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.

<u>WILDERNESS AREAS</u> 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 OTHER**



