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## PARK CREEK TRAIL #1829

**Difficulty:** More Difficult

**Trail Use:** Light

**Length:** 4.8 miles

**Elevation:** Starts 8,279 feet and ends 10,444 feet (highest point 10,499 feet)

**Elevation Gain:** +2,228 feet – 63 feet = +2,165 feet

**Open To:** HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING

### Access:

- Park Creek Trail is located 36 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 7 miles up the South Fork Canyon to the Park Creek Trail junction.

### Trail Highlights:

You climb quickly out of South Fork for 1/2 mile and emerge into the open meadows along Park Creek. You continue in a large park for about 2 miles, then into a series of smaller parks broken by short stretches of aspen. The aspen gradually change to Englemann spruce and alpine fir as you gain elevation. You reach the Nichols Creek Trail 4.5 miles from the South Fork Trail and 11.5 miles from South Fork Campground.

### 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.**
- **PLEASE RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY.**

**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 TRAIL MAP AND COMPASS PRIOR TO BEGINNING AN OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE TRIP.*



Nichols Creek Trail #1830

Park Creek Trail #1829

South Fork Trail #1827

To South Fork Campground

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