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## **STILLWATER TRAIL #1814**

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Trail Use:** Heavy

**Length:** 4.3 miles on the White River Nat'l Forest, 8.0 entire length of trail

**Elevation:** Starts at 9,732 feet and ends at 10,273 feet (highest point 11,421 feet)

**Elevation Gain:** + 1,890 feet – 1,349 feet = +541 feet

**Open To:** HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING

### **Access:**

- Access to Stillwater Trail is located 50 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 10 miles to the Outlet Trailhead.
- Follow the Carhart Trail #1815 around the east side of Trappers Lake for 3/4 mile to the Stillwater Trail.

### **Trail Highlights:**

The trail starts near where Cabin Creek flows into Trappers Lake. After climbing 100 yards on a gentle slope, the Chinese Wall comes into view across an open meadow. Crossing the meadow, the trail enters the timber and follows Cabin Creek 1 mile to Little Trappers Lake. Passing by the lake the trail climbs through stands of beetle-killed spruce and spruce-fir for 2 miles until it emerges onto the Flat Tops plateau at 11,000 feet. Continuing across the rolling tundra for one mile, the trail junctions with the Chinese Wall Trail. The trail enters the Routt National Forest at an elevation of 11,400 feet and descends to its destination at Stillwater Reservoir in the Yampa River drainage through the same type of terrain and vegetation. Several fishing lakes lie within a short distance of the trail.

### **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.**

**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.*



