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## **DEADHORSE-LONG PARK LOOP #230**

**Difficulty:** More Difficult

**Trail Use:** Light (except during hunting season)

**Length:** 11.7 miles

**Elevation:** Starts at 7,879 feet and ends at 8,075 feet (highest point 10,393 feet)

**Elevation Gain:** +3,035 feet – 2,840 feet = +195 feet

**Open To:** HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING, FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE, ATV, MOTORCYCLE

### **Access:**

- The Deadhorse-Long Park Loop Road 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 35 miles to the west terminus or 38 miles to the east terminus.

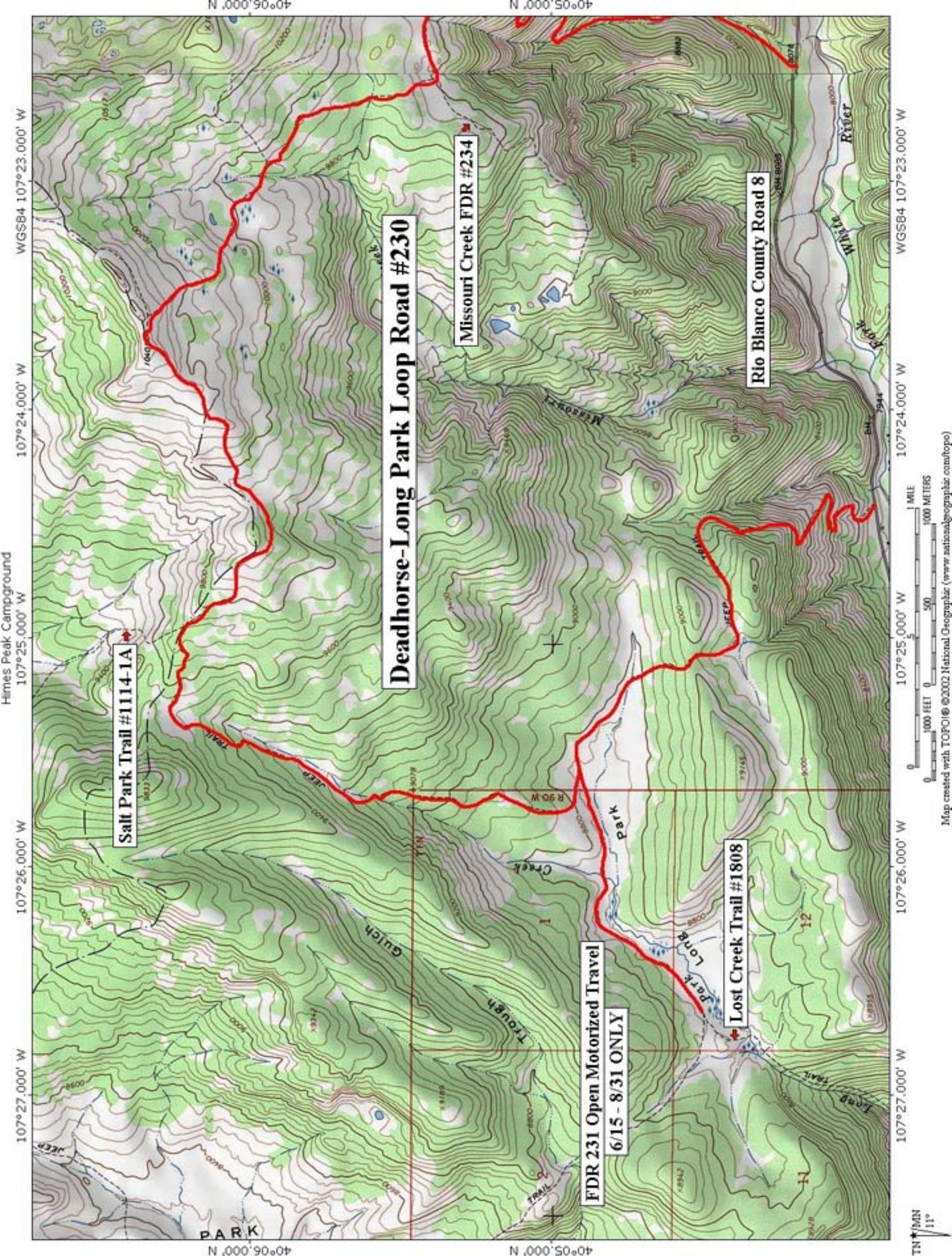
### **Highlights:**

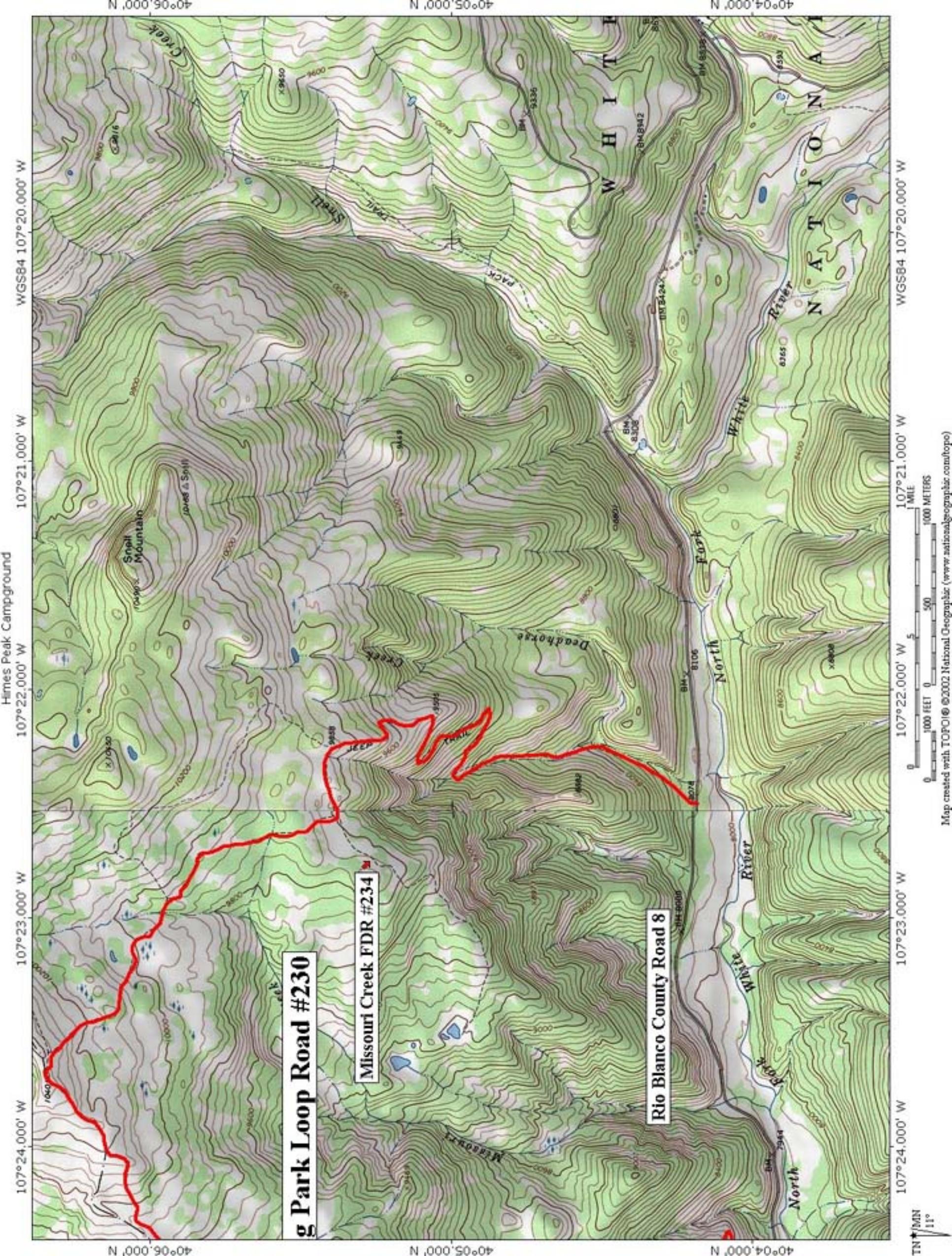
Starting at the west entrance to the Deadhorse-Long Park Loop, you follow switchbacks up a steep south facing slope. Gaining elevation you have a view of the valley of the North Fork of the White River. After approximately 2 miles, you enter Long Park. The road then divides with the west fork traveling down Long Park Creek until it ends at Trough Gulch. The north fork proceeds up Long Park Creek to the divide between the White River and Williams Fork drainages. As you follow the divide to the north you see the Elk Head Mountains while the south fork of the Williams Fork lies directly below. To the east and south you see the White River Valley and the Flat Tops. After following this divide for approximately 3 miles you drop back into the White River drainage. As you proceed down the road you come to another junction. The west fork ends at Missouri Creek while the east fork takes you to the Deadhorse end of the loop. You lose elevation quickly over a steep, rough and narrow road until you return to County Road 8.

### **Important Information:**

- **MUCH OF THE ROAD IS ROUGH, NARROW AND STEEP WITH TIGHT SWITCHBACKS, LARGE WATER BARS AND FEW TURNOUTS.**
- **ALL MOTORIZED TRAVEL IS RESTRICTED TO DESIGNATED ROADS.**
- **PLEASE RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY.**
- **DOMESTIC CATTLE MAY BE GRAZING IN THE AREA.**

*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.*





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**g Park Loop Road #230**

**Missouri Creek FDR #234**

**Rio Blanco County Road 8**

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