

## Arapaho & Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland

Pawnee National Grassland



Forest Size	1.5 million acres plus 193,000 acres of grassland		
Number of Ranger Districts	5, including the Pawnee National Grassland		
Number of Employees (Permanent and Temporary)	415		
Average Annual Budget	17 million dollars		
Elevations	4,000 ft to 14,270 ft (from lowest to highest)		
Wilderness Areas	Rawah Indian Peaks Vazquez James Peak	Neota Mt. Evans Byers Peak	Comanche Cache La Poudre Never Summer
Wild and Scenic Rivers	Cache La Poudre Wild and Scenic River		
National Scenic or Historic Trails	Continental Divide National Scenic Trail Grey Rock National Recreation Trail		
National Recreation Areas	Arapaho National Recreation Area		
Scenic Byways	Cache La Poudre Pawnee Pioneer Trails Peak to Peak Mount Evans Guanella Pass Colorado River Headwaters		

## Forest Unique Features or Highlights

- Second highest recreation use in the National Forest System.
  - 6.4 million visits
  - 22 million highway visits
- The Forests are connected to Trail Ridge Road, in Rocky Mountain National Park, on both sides. Trail Ridge Road is designated an All-American Highway,
- Completely surrounds Rocky Mountain National Park. The Park receives 3.5 million visitors per year and is one of the most popular national parks in the country.
- 104 campgrounds
- Cache La Poudre Wild and Scenic River is the only designated wild and scenic river in Colorado
- One of 12 urban national forests in the United States. The Forests and Grassland are located within a half hour drive of 3.5 million people
- One of the top volunteer national forests in the country
- Nine hundred plus miles of trails, 2700 miles of roads
- Home of the Roosevelt Hotshots
- Sponsor of the Front Range Fuel Treatment Partnership, a partnership of public and private entities treating hazardous fuels across the Front Range of Colorado
- Three ski areas
- Ninety-two outfitter guides
- Estimated elk summer population: 15,000, Estimated deer summer population: 20,000, Estimated bighorn sheep population: 500
- 13, 800 cattle permitted
- Thirty thousand plus private residences within the forest boundary