

TRAIL FEATURES

| <u>MILE</u> | <u>TRAIL FEATURE</u> | |
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| | <u>VEGETATION</u> | |
| 0.0 | Boundary Trail continues heading south as a continuation of OM/Snowberry/ FDR #264. Trail begins from dispersed camp-site (hunting Aspen/Serviceberry camp) 0.12 miles from FDR #264/FDR #270 intersection. | |
| 0.09 | Trail travels at level grade in large park. A two-track forks right (west) into large park. | Open |
| 0.25 | Trail crosses draw in large park. | |
| 0.37 | Trail travels at level grade heading south toward power line. Hillsides in park are terraced. | |
| 0.52 | Trail climbs gradually on terraced hillside through oakbrush toward Hightower Mt. OM/Oakbrush/ Sage/Serviceberry | |
| 0.65 | Trail travels at level grade below small knob to east and stock pond below trail to west. Nice view of Battlement Mts. | |
| 0.75 | Trail passes by small, dry stock pond along right side of trail before entering aspen stand on hillside. | |
| 0.77 | Trail enters aspen stand, climbs at moderate grade. Aspen/Serviceberry | |
| 0.85 | Trail climbs along small draw at edge of aspen stand. | |
| 0.94 | Trail climbs in mixed aspen/serviceberry/oakbrush/snowberry, parallel to fenceline and powerline. | |
| 1.06 | Trail climbs at steep grade, passes through gate in fenceline. | |
| 1.12 | Trail levels out for short distance, now climbs at steep uphill grade. White sandstone, rock face to right of trail. | |
| 1.18 | Trail climbs at steep grade toward crest of hill (divide between OM/Snowberry/ | |

Grand Mesa and White River Natl. Forest). Trail travels beneath Serviceberry/Oak power and phone lines.

- 1.20 Trail reaches ridgetop, then begins sweeping turn to southwest. Great view of surrounding country, Divide Creek drainage.
- 1.28 Trail passes under powerline again. A two-track forks right (west) off trail (FDR#281.3C). Trail is blocked by metal gate.
- 1.34 Trail climbs at moderate to steep grade on ridgetop along fence and powerline.
- 1.55 Trail levels out on ridgetop, travels through mixed sage, snowberry, oak and serviceberry.
- 1.70 Trail climbs gradually to higher part of ridge.
- 1.71 Trail levels out again, now begins descending at moderate grade. Trail travels on sidehill overlooking West Prong Creek, Hightower Mt. visible to south.
- 1.82 Trail travels through saddle on ridgetop. An aspen covered knob is visible 200 yards to southwest.
- 1.90 Trail climbs at steep grade around knob. Ruth Mt. visible to southeast.
- 1.96 Trail levels out then begins descending for short distance.
Serviceberry/
Oakbrush
- 2.0 Trail levels out then climbs to ridgetop under powerline.
- 2.08 Trail descends at steep grade. Buzzard Creek drainage now visible to southwest.
- 2.16 Trail levels out in basin between ridges.
- 2.20 Trail descends at steep grade toward draw bottom.
- 2.22 Trail reaches intersection with Boundary Cutoff Trail (FDT #526). Trail #526 forks right (southwest) off trail on north side of stock pond, crosses through fenceline, and heads down draw.
- 2.24 Trail passes by large stock pond, then begins climbing at steep grade away from draw bottom.

- 2.28 Trail climbs at steep grade below power line to ridgetop.
OM/Aspen/
Snowberry/
- 2.35 Trail levels out on ridgetop then begins gradual descent.
- 2.52 Trail travels at level grade.
OM/Oak/
Serviceberry
- 2.62 Trail climbs toward ridgetop. Two 2-track trails fork right off Boundary Trail at this location. The more distinct fork passes through a gate and fenceline heading southwest.
- 2.72 Trail travels around west side of ridge on steep sidehill.
- 2.78 Trail descends off ridge heading east at moderate grade. Trail travels parallel to Hightower Creek.
- 2.81 Trail descends at steep grade through rocky section.
- 2.87 Trail continues descending down fenceline. Trail for next 1/2
Oakbrush/Aspen/
mile travels at variable up and downhill grade along boundary between Grand Mesa and White River Natl. Forest on ridgetop. Serviceberry
- 3.36 Trail continues on ridgetop above head of West Prong Creek and parallel to Hightower Creek.
- 3.45 Trail heads east/northeast along fenceline.
- 3.56 Trail passes through gate and fenceline on ridgetop.
OM/Serviceberry/
Sage
- 3.63 Trail reaches corner in fenceline, now begins heading southeast descending along fenceline.
- 3.74 Trail travels on ridge above head of Hightower Creek, travels at level grade.
- 3.84 Boundary Trail reaches intersection with Divide Trail (FDT
Oak/Serviceberry/

#523) at head of Hightower Creek.
Snowberry/Sage

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| 3.87 | Trail climbs at steep grade along fenceline. Trail is steep and rocky | Aspen/Oak/ Snowberry |
| 3.95 | Trail levels out for a short distance. Preceding section is very steep, eroded and rocky. | |
| 4.01 | Trail climbs gradually into aspen stand. Aspen/Serviceberry/ | Chokecherry/ |
| 4.05 | Trail climbs gradually along old, wooden pole fenceline. | |
| 4.20 | Trail breaks out of aspen, continues climbing at moderate to steep grade. OM/Snowberry/ | Serviceberry |
| 4.23 | Trail levels out then begins descending, heading southeast along fenceline. Oak/Chokecherry/ | Serviceberry/ |
| 4.27 | Trail climbs gradually heading northeast. Aspen/Snowberry | |
| 4.37 | A two-track forks right (south/southwest) into aspen stand. Trail is closed to motorized use, signed with carsonite. Trail climbs at moderate grade in open aspen. | |
| 4.46 | Trail continues climbing above head of draw in open aspen. | |
| 4.55 | Trail levels out on ridgetop in open aspen, then begins descending gradually. | |
| 4.58 | Trail leaves open aspen stand, climbs gradually in large clearing. OM/Oak/ Snowberry | |
| 4.64 | Trail levels out on ridgetop, then begins descending. | |
| 4.74 | Trail descends off ridge at steep grade, trail has been rerouted for several hundred feet due to erosion problems on hillside. Trail reenters aspen. Snowberry | Aspen/ |

- 4.84 Trail travels at level grade on bench in open aspen stand.
- 4.92 Trail climbs from bench, small stock pond 20 yards to left of trail.
- 4.96 Trail travels at level grade for short distance, then begins climbing at moderate grade in open, mature aspen stand.
- 5.07 Trail climbs at steep grade along old, wooden pole fenceline at steep grade. Barb-wire fenceline to right of trail.
- 5.19 Trail climbs heading south, directly along east side of wooden pole and barb-wire fenceline.
- 5.27 Trail veers hard to the left, now heads eastward, still climbing but at less steep grade.
- 5.28 Trail passes directly below dam of small stock pond in shallow drainage. Aspen
- 5.42 Trail descends at steep grade through small clearings and mixed oak, snowberry and aspen.
- 5.43 Trail levels out on bench in aspen stand.
- 5.54 Trail passes by stock pond to right of trail. Trail travels at level grade on bench to east of ridge.
- 5.59 Trail descends off bench at moderate grade, passed by second small stock pond a few hundred yards back.
- 5.68 Trail travels at level grade on lower bench.
- 5.81 Trail continues at level grade in open aspen on bench, climbs gradually at times.
- 5.94 Trail descends gradually on bench through open aspen.
- 6.02 Trail reaches small clearing in aspen stand. Nice view of West Divide Creek drainage.
- 6.09 Trail travels at level grade in open aspen, mixed spruce/fir.
Aspen/SF
- 6.20 Trail has climbed gradually to this location, now levels out to east of spruce/fir/aspen covered ridge. Trail descends from this location.

- 6.29 Trail has been descending gradually, now levels out on bench.
Aspen/Oak/
Snowberry
- 6.35 Trail descends at moderate grade along a wooden pole, wire fence to right of trail.
- 6.40 Trail travels on narrow ridge separating Divide Creek and Owens
Aspen/Oak/
Creek drainages. Ruth Mt. visible to southeast. Fenceline runs east-
Snowberry/
west along ridgetop.
Serviceberry
- 6.49 Trail travels in open saddle on ridgetop along fenceline. Gate in fenceline at this location.
- 6.57 Trail climbs through mature oakbrush along fenceline from saddle.
- 6.60 Trail descends through mixed aspen, oak, snowberry and chokecherry.
- 6.67 Trail travels over dam of small stock pond.
- 6.73 Trail continues descending off eastern flank of Hightower Mt. Trail travels on north side of Owens Creek drainage. Good view of Reno Mt. to east and Ruth Mt. to southeast.
- 6.86 Trail descends through mixed snowberry, chokecherry and oak on edge of aspen stand. Chalk Mt. now visible to southwest. Large stock pond visible in drainage below to southeast.
- 6.93 Trail descends at steep grade on open hillside. A two-track forks left
OM/Sage/
(north/northwest) from trail and climbs to ridgetop. Two-track is signed
Snowberry/
with "No Motor Vehicles" carsonite.
Serviceberry
- 6.96 Clifton cabins visible in Owens Creek drainage below. Porter Mt. visible to southwest.
- 7.04 Trail descends at steep downhill grade, trail is trough shaped due to severe erosion.
- 7.09 Trail travels at varying level to moderate downhill grade on open

hillside, 50 yards above private land fenceline.

7.18 Trail descends toward intersection with Owens Loop Trail along fenceline.

7.24 Boundary Trail reaches intersection with Owens Loop Trail on OM/Sage hillside above double fenceline and gate. End of Boundary Trail.