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SUNLIGHT TO POWDERHORN TRAIL SYSTEM

Length: 120 miles (193.1 km)

Difficulty: Varies

Trail Use: Heavy

Beginning Elevation: Sunlight— 8,000 feet (2438 m) **Ending Elevation:** Powderhorn- 10,500 feet

USGS Map(s): Aspen (3200 m)

ACCESS: There are 2 access points to this route around the Glenwood Springs area: 1) the Fourmile Trailhead is accessed from Glenwood Springs via the Fourmile road. Follow the signs to Sunlight Ski Area. Before reaching the ski area, turn right onto a gravel road marked FDR #300. Travel 2 1/2 miles farther to the parking area on the right. 2) The Marion Gulch Trailhead is accessed from Carbondale. Turn West off Hwy. 133 at the Main Street traffic light. Continue on this road which turns into County Road 108 after the bridge near Colorado Rocky Mountain School. Continue past the bridge for approximately 6 miles. At County Road 123 turn right and continue up this road for about 1 mile to the trailhead.

NARRATIVE: This trail system consists of a single 120 mile route marked from Sunlight to Powderhorn on the Grand Mesa, and 180 more miles of associated trails. The trail contains both groomed and ungroomed sections. Lodging is available at the Electric Mountain Lodge and the Sunlight Inn. Fuel is available at Electric Mountain Lodge.

ETHICS/REGULATIONS: Motorized vehicles are not allowed within adjacent Wilderness Areas. Before you go out, check into available routes, their conditions, ownership of land, posted areas, regulations that apply and the following rules:

- * **Respect private property.** Ask permission before entering.
- * **Be considerate** of other winter back-country travelers. Remember, we're all out to enjoy the outdoors.
- * **Wilderness areas and Primitive areas are CLOSED to motorized recreational vehicles.** If in doubt, inquire at a local Forest Service office. Obey all signs.
- * **BEWARE OF AVALANCHES!** Avalanches may occur at any time during the winter. Avoid mountainous terrain after heavy snowfalls or prolonged periods of high wind. Stay on the windblown side of ridges. Avoid crossing steep hillsides and entering narrow, steep canyons.

PACK IT IN—PACK IT OUT!! LEAVE NO TRACE!!

The White River National Forest suggests purchasing a topographical trail map prior to your snowmobile trip.