

# Emmaline Lake Trail (#945) formerly #854



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**Wilderness:** Comanche Peak

**Difficulty Rating:** moderate

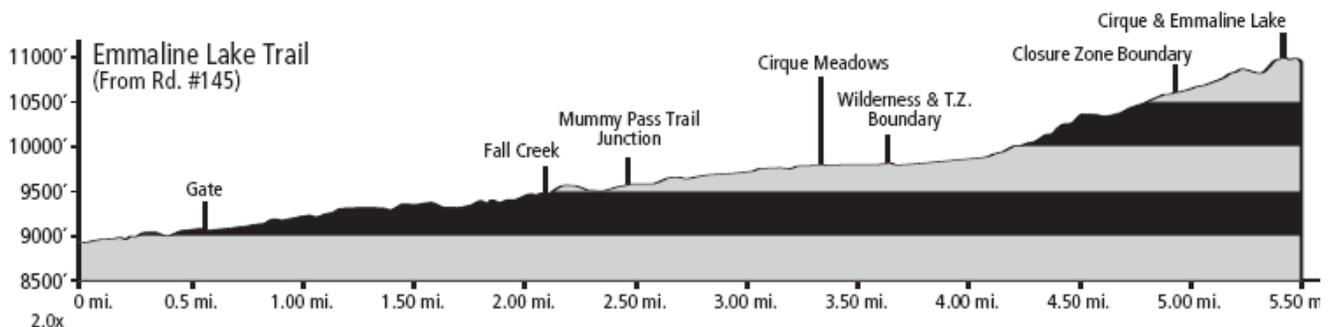
**One-way Length:** 5.7 miles

**Use:** moderate

**Beginning Elevation:** 8,960 feet

**Quadrangle Maps:** Pingree Park and Comanche Peak

**Peak Elevation:** 11,000 feet



**Access:** Travel 11 miles northwest of Fort Collins on U.S. Highway 287 to Colorado Highway 14. Turn left on CO 14, and travel 26 miles to County Road 63E, Pingree Park Road. Turn left and travel 16 miles to Forest Road 145. Turn right, pass Tom Bennett Campground, and look left for the rough ½-mile road leading to the Emmaline Lake/Mummy Pass trailhead. Parking at the beginning of the road and hiking the extra ½-mile may be preferable due to the primitive condition of the road.

**Trail Information:** The first 2 miles of the trail follows a road that skirts the northwest side of the Pingree Park Campus of Colorado State University and is bordered on both sides by private land. The trail then leads to a junction with the Mummy Pass Trail (#937) about 2.5 miles from the trailhead. At about 3 miles, the trail enters Cirque Meadow, a popular destination for hikers and backpackers. It then enters the wilderness and travel zone, and ascends to a closure zone around Emmaline Lake and Cirque Lake.

### *Trail Regulations*

- Dogs must be on a hand held leash
- Trail is closed to saddle, pack or draft animals within wilderness boundary

### *General Wilderness Regulations*

- No motorized or mechanized equipment
- Camps, campfires, and stock, where allowed, at least 200 feet from water and trails
- Group size limited to 12 people

### *Wilderness Travel Zone Regulations*

- Camping allowed only in designated sites
- No campfires – stoves only
- Stock use prohibited