

# Mount McConnel Trail (#992) formerly #801 Kreutzer Nature Trail (#936)



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**Wilderness:** Cache la Poudre

**Difficulty Rating:** strenuous

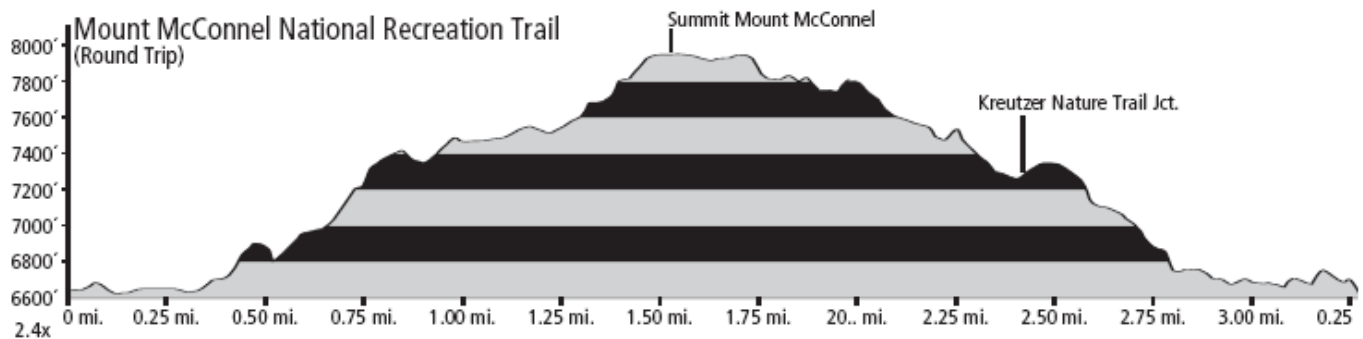
**One-way Length:** Trail #992 2.7 loop miles  
Trail #936 2.1 loop miles

**Use:** Trail #992 moderate  
Trail #936 heavy

**Beginning Elevation:** 6,680 feet

**Quadrangle Map:** Big Narrows

**Peak Elevation:** Trail #992 7,960 feet  
Trail #936 7,200 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 24 miles. Turn left and cross the bridge into Mountain Park Campground, the trailhead is to the right after the bridge near the end of the day use area.

**Trail Information:** The trail leaves the Mountain Park Day Use Area for loop hikes on the Kreutzer Nature Trail and Mt. McConnel trail. The trailhead bulletin board has a map showing where to find the trails. One end of the trail is located on the left immediately after crossing the bridge. Most hikers begin at the trailhead, circle to the south and east, then exit near the bridge. At one mile, the Mt. McConnel Trail branches to the right and ascends to the summit, while the shorter nature trail continues its loop to the east. On reaching the summit, you will find the east leg of the Mt. McConnel loop is steep, rocky and difficult to navigate.

### *Trail Regulations*

- Dogs must be on a hand held leash

### *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

### *Trail Regulations*

- Livestock is prohibited