

Granite Ridge (formerly Molly Lake) Trail (#991)



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Arapaho & Roosevelt National Forests
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One-way Length: 7.5 miles (4.0 to junction with Lady Moon Trail)

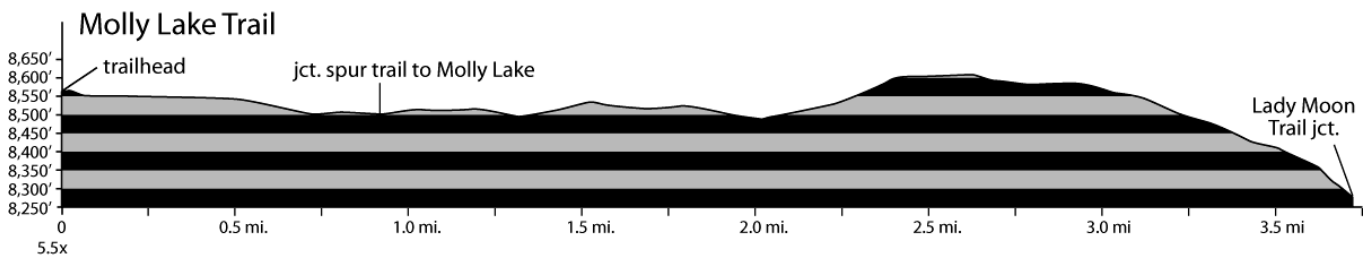
Difficulty Rating: easy

Beginning Elevation: 8,558 feet

Use: light

Peak Elevation: 8,614 feet

Quadrangle Map: Red Feather Lakes



Access: Travel 22 miles northwest of Fort Collins on U.S. Highway 287 to Livermore, and turn left on County Road 74E, Red Feather Lakes Road. Travel west for about 24 miles. Turn left on County Road 162, Manhattan Road, and travel 3 miles south to the trailhead on the left.

Trail Information: The Molly Lake Trail follows an old logging road through lodgepole and ponderosa pines with views of the South Lone Pine drainage. About a mile from the trailhead a short branch from the main trail leads north to Molly Lake, and soon another branch leads south through a gate to Elkhorn Creek. Several gates are encountered on the main trail, and at 3.8 miles the trail passes through a gate and junctions with the south end of Lady Moon Trail (#985) which can be followed north for a mile to its trailhead on Red Feather Lakes Road.

Trail Regulations

- The north side of Molly Lake and all of Lady Moon Lake are on private property – please do not trespass
- Certified weed-free hay is required for stock
- Seasonal bike closure from November 1st – June 30th