

White River National Forest



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Road and Trail Status for Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District

Trails are seeing high numbers of visitors. If you drive to a trailhead and it's full or near capacity, please choose another location. Call our office if you need ideas. Do not park on roadways, highways, or block the travel way. Search and Rescue and other emergency vehicles must have access.

Bicycle and Motorized Use: All Forest System roads and trails are closed to wheeled use unless otherwise open.

Roads

Roads are managed with a season of dates and type of vehicle allowed. Please refer to the MVUM posted on our website. We have provided the conditions of popular roads in the table below. Road conditions change based on weather. Please do not try to travel through snow. There is rarely less snow the farther you travel up in elevation. You will likely get stuck and there is little to no cell coverage on most forest roads. Towing fees are your responsibility.

Motorized use is restricted to a system of designated roads and trails by the kind of vehicle and time of year. This information is found on the [Motor Vehicle Use Map](#).

Trails

Our partners in trail management including towns, Eagle County, and local communities are funneling information to our trail partner - Vail Valley Mountain Trail Alliance VVMTA. View VVMTA's interactive map and condition reports at: <https://www.vvmta.org/>

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Dirt & 4WD Roads	Conditions
Eagle Area Roads	
Big Park - FSR 421	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
Eagle-Thomasville - FSR 400	Road open.
East Brush Creek - FSR 415	Road open.
Gypsum Creek - FSR 412	Road open.
Hardscrabble - FSR 413	Road open.
Hat Creek - FSR 416	Road open.
Nolan Creek - FSR 418	Road open.
Old Fulford Road - FSR 419	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
Triangle Park - FSR 435	Road open.
West Hat Creek - FSR 436	Road open.
SE FLAT TOPS AREA ROADS	
Coffee Pot - FSR 600	Road open.
Crescent Lake - FSR 613	Road open. Expect muddy conditions closer to Crescent and Mackinaw lakes. Technical, high-clearance 4WD vehicles with skilled drivers only.
Derby Loop - County Rd 39	Road open.
Stump Park - FSR 610	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
VAIL AREA ROADS	
Berry Creek - FSR 774	Road open.
Fancy/French Creek - FSR 727	Road open.
Holy Cross City - FSR 759	Road open. Expect muddy conditions above French Creek crossing. Technical, high-clearance 4WD vehicles with winches and skilled drivers only.
Homestake - FSR 703	Road open.
June Creek - FSR 717	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
Lost Lake - FSR 786	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
McAllister - FSR 708	Road open.
Metcalf - FSR 779	Road open.
Middle Creek - FSR 719	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
Missouri Creek - FSR 704	Road open.

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Moniger - FSR 433	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
FSR 405	NFSR 405 closed due to washout on road.
Muddy Pass - FSR 700 Red Sandstone (Wolcott Side/West Side)	Road open.
No Name - FSR 705	Road open.
Pearl Creek - FSR 715	Road open.
Piney Guard - FSR 744	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
Red and White - FSR 734	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
Red Sandstone - FSR 700	Road open.
Resolution - FSR 702	Road open.
Sheephorn - FSR 401	Road open.
Shrine Pass - FSR 709	Road open.
Tigiwon - FSR 707	Road open.
Wearyman - FSR 747	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.
West Lake Creek - FSR 423	Road open but passable for high-clearance vehicles only.

Special Alerts and Notices:

The White River National Forest Travel Management Plan is in effect. For a free map of the existing summer and winter routes, visit the [WRNF Travel Management Website](#).

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Trail	Conditions
Eagle Area Trails	
Antones #1871	Trail is dry.
Brown's Loop #1874	Trail is dry.
Fulford Cave #1875	Trail is dry.
Green Gate #1903	Trail is dry.
Ironedge #1873	As of 6/23, trail is clear of trees and patchy snow exists near treeline.
Lake Charles #1899	As of 6/20, trail is mostly dry with patchy snow near Lake Charles.
Lost Lake #2224	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
McKenzie Gulch #1869	As of 6/21, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Mount Thomas #1870	Expect spring conditions.
New York Lake #2221	Expect very patchy snow and spring conditions.
New York Mtn #1876	Expect spring conditions.
Nolan Lake #1898	As of 6/8, trail is snow-free and clear of trees to Holy Cross Wilderness boundary.
Salt Creek #1878	As of 6/25, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Sneve Gulch #1872	As of 6/26, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Sundell Trail #1863	Trail is dry.
Yeoman Park Discovery	Trail is dry. Reconstruction will occur July 14-17.
SE FLAT TOPS AREA TRAILS	
Cross Creek #1855	Trail is dry.
Grizzly Creek #2065	Trail is closed at mile 0.3 for reconstruction. See Order WRNF 2025-06 for details.
Hanging Lake #1850	RESERVATION REQUIRED and Trail Reconstruction in progress. Please see the Hanging Lake recreation page for more info.
Hooper Lake #1860	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Island Lakes #1842	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Johnson Pasture #1852	Trail is dry.
Nellie's #1839	Trail is dry.
Prospect #1867	Trail is dry.
Rim Lake #1856	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Shingle Peak #2042	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Sweetwater #1854	Trail is dry.
Trappers Lake #1816	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Turret Creek #1832	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Ute-Sweetwater #2032	Trail is dry.
W Mountain #1817	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.

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Wagon Wheel #2049	Trail is dry.
VAIL AREA TRAILS	
Beaver Lake #2109	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Bighorn #2013	As of 5/30, clear of trees.
Booth Creek #2011	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Bowman's Shortcut #1851	As of 7/2, trail is clear of trees and mostly dry.
Buck Creek #2106	Trail is dry.
Buffehr Creek #2111	As of 6/23, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Colorado Trail #2108	As of 6/11, patchy snow starting around 11,200' with one tree down below Kokomo Pass. Dry near Tennessee Pass.
Colorow Creek #1897	Trail is dry.
Cougar Ridge #2131	As of 6/11, trail is clear of trees. Dry as of 6/25.
Cross Creek #2006	As of 5/30, trail is clear of trees to bridge at mile 1. Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Dead Dog #2220	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Deluge Lake #2014	Clear of trees for 1.5 miles. Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
East Lake Creek #1880	Expect dry conditions for first 5 miles. Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
East Meadow Creek #1886	Trail is mostly dry.
Everkrisp #2122	As of 6/21, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Fall Creek #2001	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Fancy Creek #2006	As of 6/8, trail is snow-free and clear of trees about 1.5 miles from trailhead.
Game Creek #2130	As of 5/27, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Gore Creek #2015	As of 5/30, clear of trees to bridge over Deluge Creek at mile 2. Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Grouse Lake #2127	As of 6/30, trail is clear of trees and dry to Grouse Lake.
Grouse Mtn #2010	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Lonesome Lake #2126	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Lost Lake #1893	As of 6/17, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Lower Piney #1885	As of 6/16, trail is dry and clear of trees 3 miles from Lower Piney trailhead.
Martin Creek #2128	As of 6/1, trail is dry and clear of trees to mile 2.5.
Meadow Creek #1891	As of 6/22, trail is dry and clear of trees south of Soda Lakes.
Meadow Mountain #2124	As of 6/21, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Missouri Lakes #2033	As of 7/6, trail is clear of trees and mostly dry, except near Missouri Pass.
Mount of the Holy Cross #2009	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
North Trail #1896	As of 6/24, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Notch Mountain #2000	Trail is dry.
Pitkin Creek #2012	As of 6/17, clear of snow and trees to Pitkin Lake.
Shrine Mountain #2016	Trail is mostly dry.
Soda Lakes #1889	Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Stone Creek/Paulie's Plunge #2349	As of 6/25, trail is dry and clear of trees.

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Two Elk #2005	As of 7/2, trail is clear of trees and mostly dry.
Upper Piney River #1885	Trail is dry.
West Grouse #2129	As of 6/26, clear of trees from Minturn to Holy Cross Wilderness boundary. Expect spring conditions at higher elevations.
Whiskey Creek #2348	As of 6/21, trail is dry and clear of trees.
Whitney Lake #2002	As of 6/15, trail is dry and clear of trees.

Special Alerts and Notices:

- **The Mount of the Holy Cross Overlook Trail is closed for reconstruction. It is anticipated that the overlook will reopen around the end of August.**
- **The Yeoman Park Discovery Trail will be closed July 14-17 for an improvement project.**