Current Conditions - Dillon Ranger District

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Current Condition Overview: The Dillon Ranger District is currently open for recreation. Please use all FS land and trail heads responsibly.

Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open for the summer season as of **May 20, 2026**, and can be reserved on www.recreation.gov . Pine Cove, Columbine Landing, McDonald Flats and Cataract Creek Campgrounds are available on a first come, first serve basis. Campground reservations can be made up to six months in advance for the following summer season (and 12 months in advance for the group site Windy Point) via www.recreation.gov. Please refer to the Forest-wide campground table.

Fire Restrictions: The White River National Forest is currently in **Stage 1 fire restrictions**. Fires are allowed in developed campgrounds with metal fire rings as well as camp stoves with on and off switches to propane.

Forest Roads: Forest Service roads **open May 21st** to motorized vehicle use, though there will be some gate opening delays due to variable road conditions or wildlife closures. Please refer to the table below which will be updated regularly as to which roads are open. OHV use requires current state registration – please refer to the Summer Motor Vehicle Use Map for road access and designations.

Hiking Trails: Most trails may have variable conditions including downed trees from a windy spring, as well as a combination of slush/mud and snow at altitude. Please see trails conditions at bottom of this report. Crews and volunteer groups are actively working to clear deadfall from the trails. South-facing trails will dry faster but completely dry conditions district-wide don't happen until around late June. Remaining ice and snow may obscure the trail, so please plan accordingly.

Quandary Peak/McCollough Gulch: Starting **June 14 -September 14, 2026**, reservations will be required to access the Quandary Peak Parking Lot, at the corner of Highway 9 and Blue Lakes Rd. You can either make a shuttle reservation (fee) from the South Gondola Lot in Breckenridge or make a reservation at the Quandary Parking Lot off Highway 9 through hikequandary.com . Parking along County Roads (McCollough Gulch, Blue Lakes, Highway 9) is **prohibited** and will be enforced by the county.

Weddings/elopements: Reservations can be made for both Sapphire Point (timed reservations) and Windy Point Group site through www.recreation.gov. Areas like Blue Lakes Reservoir, Mayflower Gulch Cabins, and Clinton Gulch are on non-Forest Service system managed lands so **the Forest Service cannot authorize weddings or photoshoots for those areas**.

Dirt & 4WD Roads	Conditions
Summit County Forest Roads	**Seasonal Closures: Nov 23 – May 20**
Bald Mountain – FSR #520/520.3/528.1b/528.2	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles. OHVs are not permitted on this road.
Big Green – FSR #1806	**CLOSED** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.
Boreas Pass – County Road 10	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles. Maintained by Summit County Road and Bridge. OHVs are not permitted on this road.
Brush Creek – FSR #1695	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles. **Seasonal Closure: Nov 23 – June 20 (Wildlife)**
Cataract Creek – FSR #1725	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.

Columbine Landing – FSR #1870	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.
Crystal Creek – FSR #800/803	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobiles.
Deer Creek – FSR #5	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.
Frey Gulch – FSR #66	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes until July 1. No snowmobiles. **Seasonal Closure: Nov 23 – June 30 (Wildlife)**
Georgia Pass (South Fork Swan) FSR #355	**OPEN** (lower & upper gates) to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. Closed upper gate.
Glacier Ridge – FSR #258	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobiles.
Indiana Creek – FSR #593	**OPEN** to ATVs and unlicensed motorcycle, with state registration. No snowmobiles.
Keystone Gulch – FSR #175	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes until July 1. No snowmobiles. **Seasonal Closure: Nov 23 – June 30 (Wildlife)**
Lonesome Gulch – FSR #2840	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles. **Seasonal Closure: Nov 23 – May 20 (Wildlife)**
Mayflower Gulch – FSR #1178	**CLOSED** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobiles. **Damage to the road – hiking/biking only summer 2026**
McCullough Gulch – FSR #851	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, over snow vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. Managed by Summit County Road and Bridge.
Middle Fork Swan – FSR #6.2	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.
Miner's Creek – FSR #1000	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles up to first gate, **second gate closed**. No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles. **No Dispersed camping for first 1.5 miles of road.**

Mumford/Cottonwood Gulch – FSR #2855 / 2855.1A / 2850	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles. **Seasonal Closure: Nov 23 – June 20 Wildlife**
North Fork Swan – FSR #354	**OPEN** to ATVs and unlicensed motorcycle, with state registration – **for first 1/4 mile, second gate closed.**
North Rock Creek – FSR #1350	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.
Peak 10 Road – FSR #751	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.
Pennsylvania Creek – FSR #611	**OPEN** to ATVs and unlicensed motorcycle, with state registration. No snowmobiles.
Peru Creek – FSR #260	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.
Saints John – FSR #275	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.
Santa Fe Peak – FSR #264	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.
Sheep Mountain – FSR #202	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. **Seasonal Closure: Nov 23 – June 20 Wildlife**
Shrine Pass – FSR #16 / 709	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, over snow vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.
Silver Lake Road – FSR #849	**OPEN** to highway legal vehicles – No ATVs, unlicensed motorcycles, or snowmobiles.
Spring Creek Area FSR #1831/ 1832/ 1833 /1834/ 23	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.
Spruce Creek – FSR #800 / 803	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobile
Straight Creek – FSR #51	**OPEN** to ATVs and unlicensed motorcycle with 62” or less width, with state registration. No snowmobiles.
Webster Pass – FSR #285	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes.

Williams Peak – FSR #200	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, over snow vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. **Seasonal Closure: April – June 14 (Wildlife)**
Williams Peak Powerline – FSR #2950.5a	**OPEN** to all wheeled motor vehicles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobiles. **Seasonal Closure: April – June 14 (Wildlife)**

Tenderfoot ATV and Motorcycle Trail System	
Tenderfoot Mountain Road – FSR #9509 for **MOTORCYCLES**	**Mile 0.0 to 2.2** **OPEN** to motorcycles, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobiles.
Tenderfoot Mountain Road – FSR #9509 for **ATV'S**	**Mile 0.0 to 2.2** **OPEN** to ATV's, mountain bikes and e-bikes. No snowmobiles.
Tenderfoot Mountain Road – FSR #9509 for **FULL SIZED VEHICLES**	**Mile 0.0 to 1.0** **OPEN** to FULL-SIZED VEHICLES. No snowmobiles.
Tenderfoot Motorcycle Trail System FSR #9501/ 9503/ 9504/ 9505/ 9506/ 9507/ 9508/ 9509 / 9510/ 9511/ 9512 / 9513 / 9514 / 9515 / 9517	**OPEN** to motorcycles. No snowmobiles.
Special Alerts and Notices: All ATV's, OHV's, and unlicensed Motorcycles require a Colorado State Permit. Contact Colorado Parks and Wildlife at (303) 791-1920 or visit http://cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/RegistrationsOHV.aspx	
The White River National Forest Travel Plan has been released. For a free Management map of the existing summer and winter routes visit the WRNF Travel Management Website. https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/whiteriver/home/?cid=stelprdb5328680#summer	

WARNING: High volume of down trees across trails throughout the White River National Forest. Exceptionally frequent high winds throughout the winter season of 2025-2026 have left us with triple the usual number of down trees. Trails further in the Wilderness areas such as Eagles Nest and Ptarmigan are more heavily affected on the Dillon Ranger District. To report down trees, please email SM.FS.DRDMailroom@usda.gov with the trail name, coordinates if possible, and the number of down trees. We appreciate your cooperation and please stay alert!

Trail	Conditions
Acorn Creek	Dry conditions.
Argentine Pass	Dry conditions. AWD/4WD recommended access to trailhead.
Angler Mountain	Dry conditions. Passes through Ptarmigan Fire burn scar – be aware of dead and standing trees, snags.
Bakers Tank	Dry conditions.
Boulder Lakes	Dry conditions.
Buffalo Mountain	Dry conditions plus down trees. **No overnight parking.**
Cataract Lake (lower) Loop	Dry conditions.
Crystal Lakes	Dry conditions.
Eaglesmere Lakes	Dry conditions.
Elliott's Ridge	Dry conditions.
Gore Range	Dry conditions, downed trees in sections.
Lily Pad Lake	Dry conditions. **No overnight parking.**
Lost Lake	Dry conditions, some down trees.
Masontown	Dry conditions and down trees.
McCullough Gulch	Dry conditions. Offline map recommended. **No parking on Highway 9 or McCollough Gulch Rd.**
Meadow Creek	Dry conditions.
Mesa Cortina	Dry conditions. **No overnight parking.**
Mesa Cortina to South Willow Falls	Dry conditions.
Mount Royal	Dry conditions and down trees.
North Tenmile	Dry conditions.
North Willow Creek	Dry conditions. **No overnight parking.**
Old Dillon Reservoir	Dry conditions.
Oro Grande	Dry conditions.
Peaks	Dry conditions.
Ptarmigan	Dry conditions with several downed trees. **Shuttle recommended. No overnight parking.**
Quandary Peak	Dry conditions. **Parking reservations required, shuttle bus recommended.**
Rainbow Lake	Dry conditions.
Rock Creek	Dry conditions.
Salmon Lake	Dry conditions.
Salt Lick Trail System	Dry conditions.
Sapphire Point	Dry conditions.
Slate Creek	Dry conditions, downed trees possible.
Soda Creek Trail System	Dry conditions.
Spruce Creek / Mohawk Lake	Dry conditions, downed trees possible.
Straight Creek	**CLOSED** due to construction
Surprise Lake	Dry conditions.
Tenderfoot (non-motorized)	Dry conditions.
Salt Lick Trails	Dry conditions. **Limited parking, shuttle bus recommended.**
Ute Pass / Ute Peak	Dry conditions.
Wheeler Lakes	Dry conditions.
Willow Lakes	Dry conditions. **No overnight parking.**