



WAGON WHEEL OHV TRAIL GUIDE

WEST TRAILS | RANGELY, COLORADO





WELCOME TO RANGELY, COLORADO!

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Welcome to Rangely, the hidden gem of Colorado! We are excited to share our wonderful trails and beautiful scenery with you. Hopefully you will have some spare time during your stay to check out some of the great things our quaint little town has to offer! Don't forget to ask one of the friendly locals about some of our other trails, off the beaten path, all hidden in over a million acres of public land!

Rangely is an outdoor recreationists' paradise all year long. In addition to our magnificent OHV Trails, we have great festivals and patriotic events, a free fishing weekend to include a fishing derby, just in time for the Crappie spawn in Kenney Reservoir. We truly have the best fourth of July fireworks in the state, all set over our beautiful water and canyons. And that is only the beginning.

Golfing, parades, big game hunting, secluded fall fishing on the scenic White River, ice-climbing, cross country skiing.....you name it, we have it! Year-round activities await you in Rangely.

For more info on our town and activities, please contact The Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce at (970) 675-5290. You can also check out their website at rangelychamber.com or visit DiscoverRangelyCo.com.



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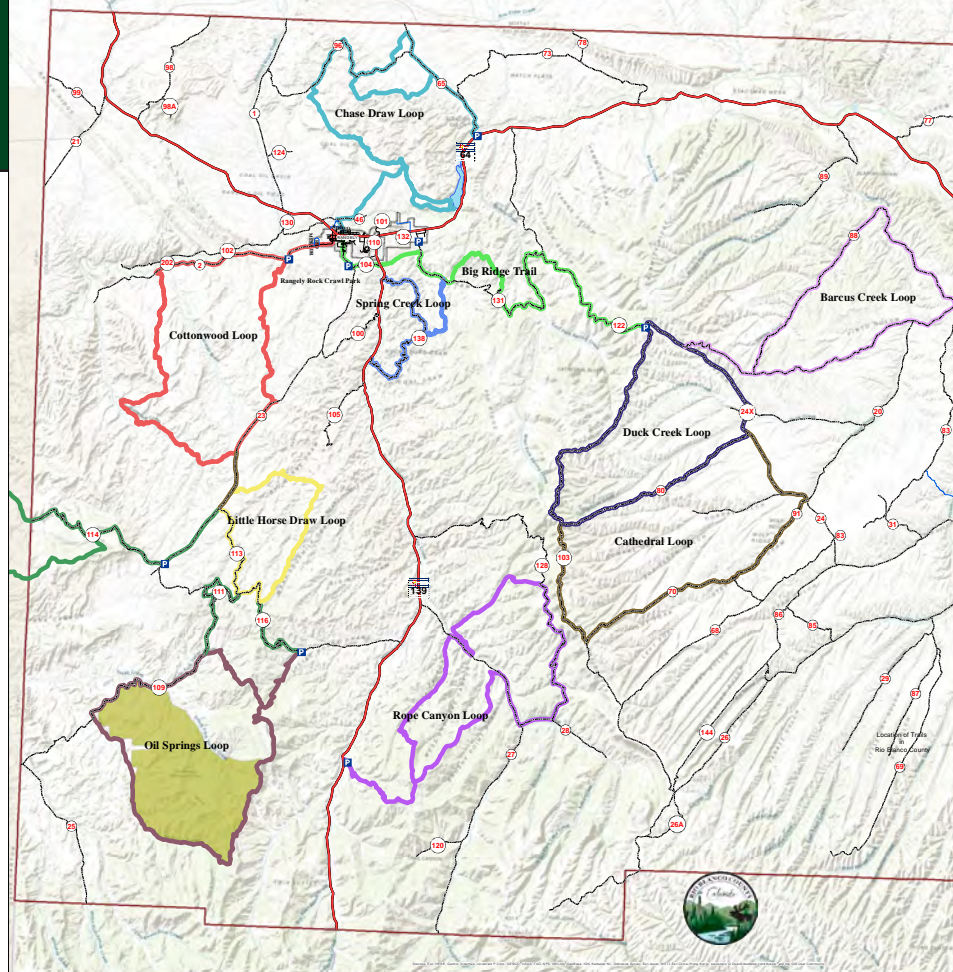
We look forward to welcoming you to our town!



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WEST TRAIL SYSTEM OVERVIEW



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Legend

OHV TRAIL

- BARCUS CREEK LOOP
- BIG RIDGE TRAIL
- CATHEDRAL LOOP
- CHASE DRAW LOOP
- COTTONWOOD LOOP
- DUCK CREEK LOOP
- LITTLE HORSE DRAW LOOP
- OHV TRAIL
- OIL SPRINGS LOOP
- ROPE CANYON LOOP
- SPRING CREEK LOOP

WEST WAGON WHEEL TRAIL SYSTEM



DIFFICULTY LEVELS



GREEN (BEGINNER):

A graveled or surfaced road with good sight distance.



BLUE (INTERMEDIATE):

A two track road or trail with natural surface, moderate steep sections with drop-offs, ruts, dust and frequent changes in the riding surface



BLACK (EXPERT):

A trail or primitive two track road including steep, rough and narrow segments, often with switchbacks.

NOTE: The ratings for these trails are based on subjective comparison of trails **within this system only**. Newcomers are encouraged to begin their riding experience on the Wagon Wheel OHV Trail System with a "beginner" trail. This will establish a base for moving onto an "intermediate" or "expert" trail segment.

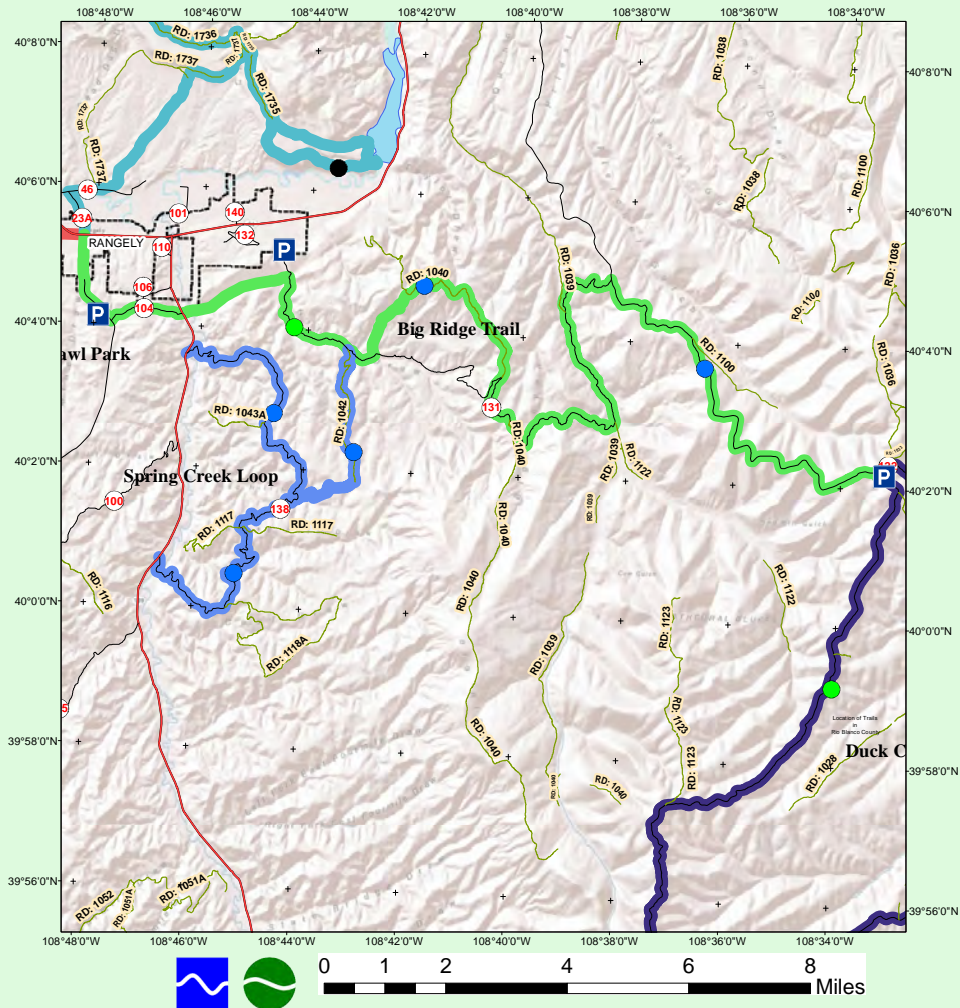
Riders assume all risk associated with skill level, trail difficulty, and conditions. The Town of Rangely, Town of Meeker, Rio Blanco County, Meeker Chamber of Commerce, Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce, and Wagon Wheel OHV Club are not responsible for the accuracy of trail designations and classifications.

Don't Forget!

- Trail conditions can change rapidly during and immediately after spring runoff and heavy thunderstorms.
- It is unlawful to gain access to public land by trespassing on private property. Never assume access, always seek permission.
- No width restrictions.
- Wagon Wheel West Trails are open year round.

CATHEDRAL LOOP

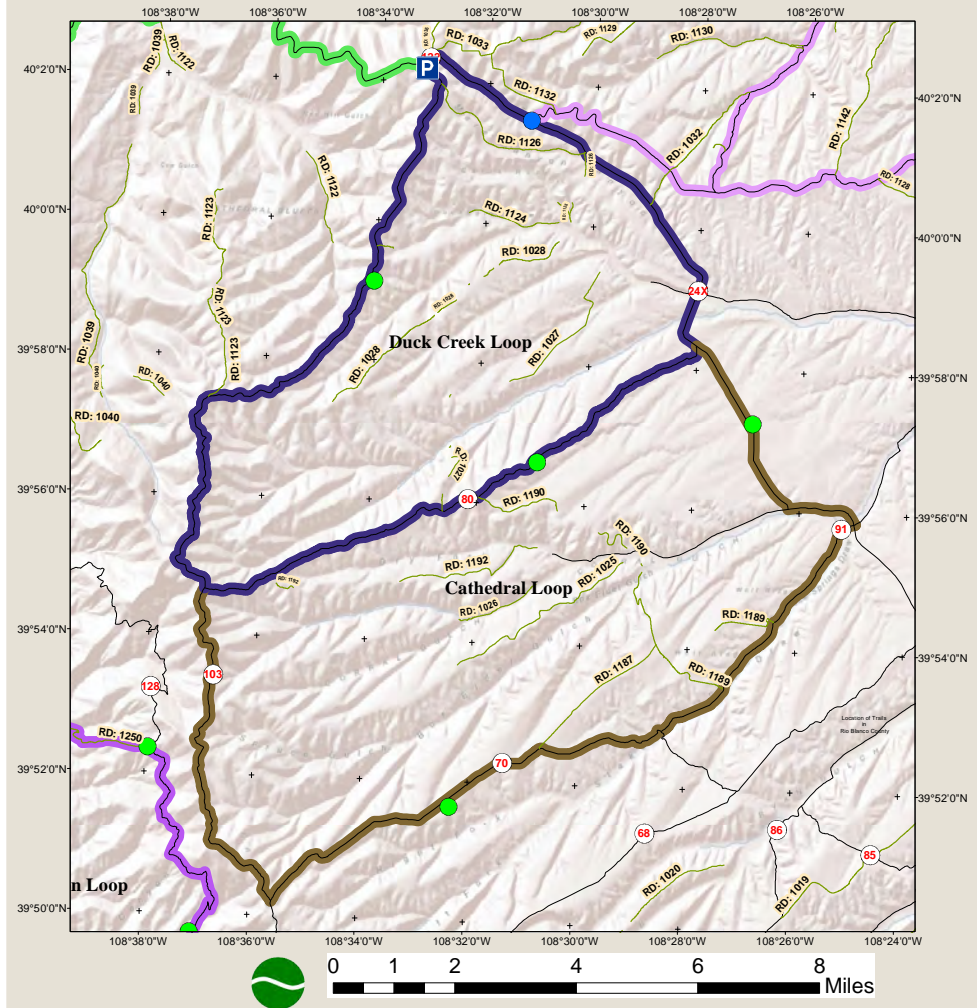
Ride through steep draws, enjoying tight turns and narrow trails, before popping up on Big Ridge to enjoy beautiful vistas.



LENGTH: 30 Miles

ROUTE: CR 104, BLM 1040, BLM 1042, CR 104

A long and fast paced ride that will take you over the highest mountains in the area. Follow the rim of the Cathedral Bluffs all the way to the Clyde Dillion Memorial. This wildlife filled area hosts large herds of Elk, Deer, and some breathtaking views!

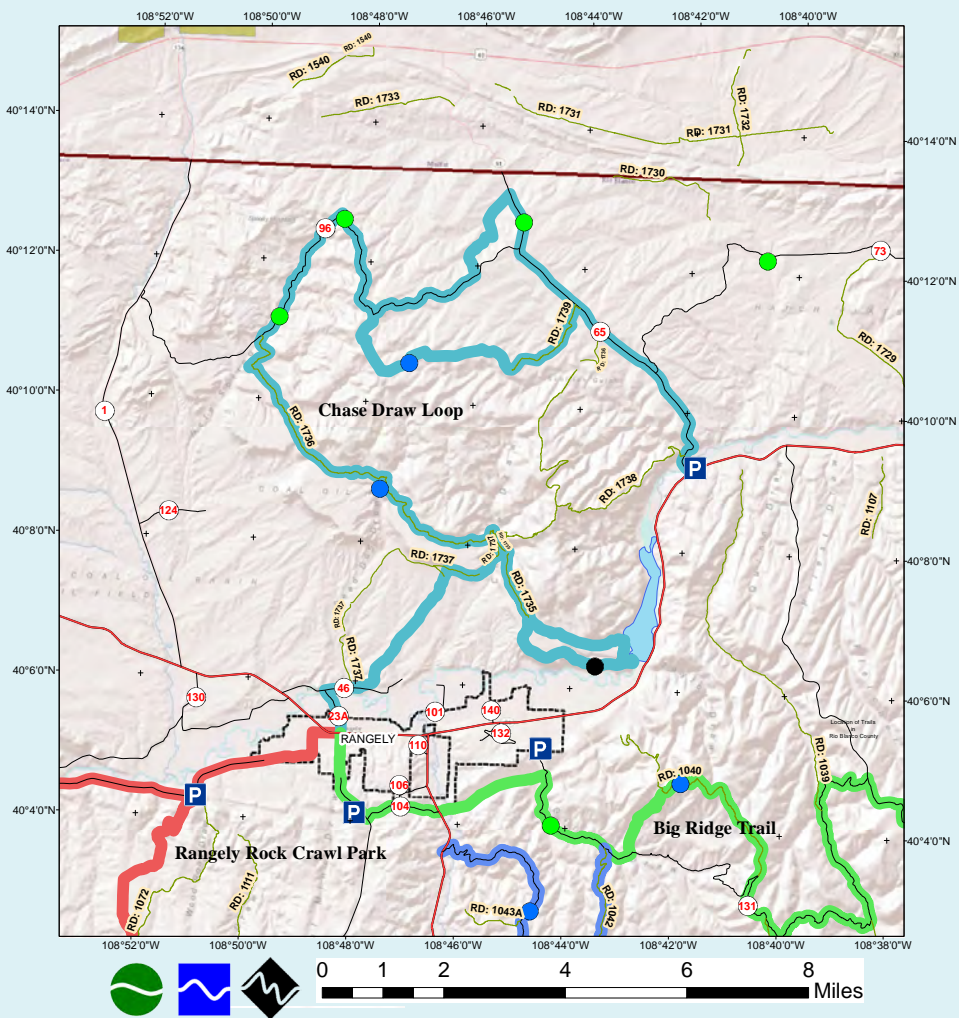


LENGTH: 50 Miles

ROUTE: CR 122, CR 103, CR 70, CR 91, CR 24X, CR 122

CHASE DRAW LOOP

This ride features one of the most impressive scenic overlooks of the Rangely Area, including part of the Dead Dog Fire that occurred in the spring of 2017. Enjoy slick rock riding, dry creek crossings, and riding along a creek bottom.

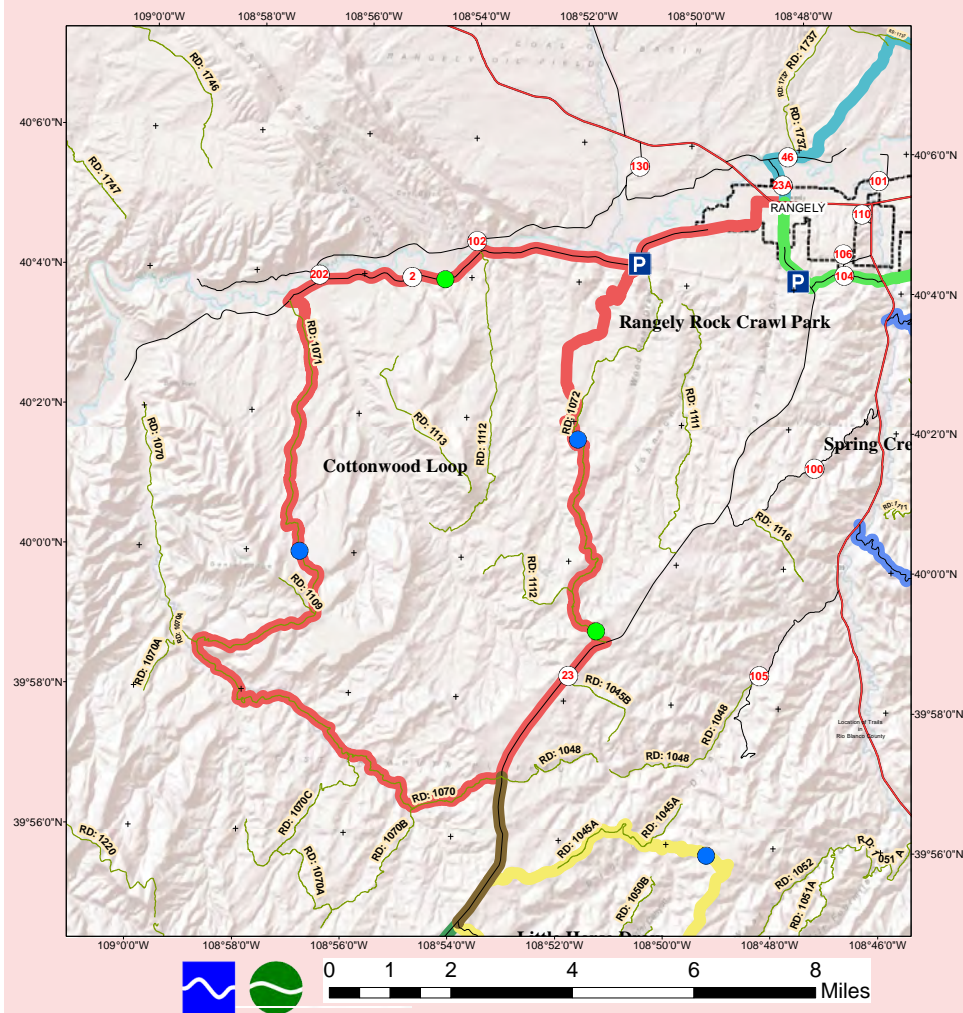


LENGTH: 25 Miles

ROUTE: CR 23A, CR 46, BLM 1737, BLM 1736, CR 96, CR 65,
BLM 1739, CR 96, BLM 1736, BLM 1737, CR 46, CR 23A

COTTONWOOD LOOP

Enjoy windy sections of trail with views from the top of West Four Mile Draw. Expect to ride high desert and mountain terrain. This ride includes two large loops.

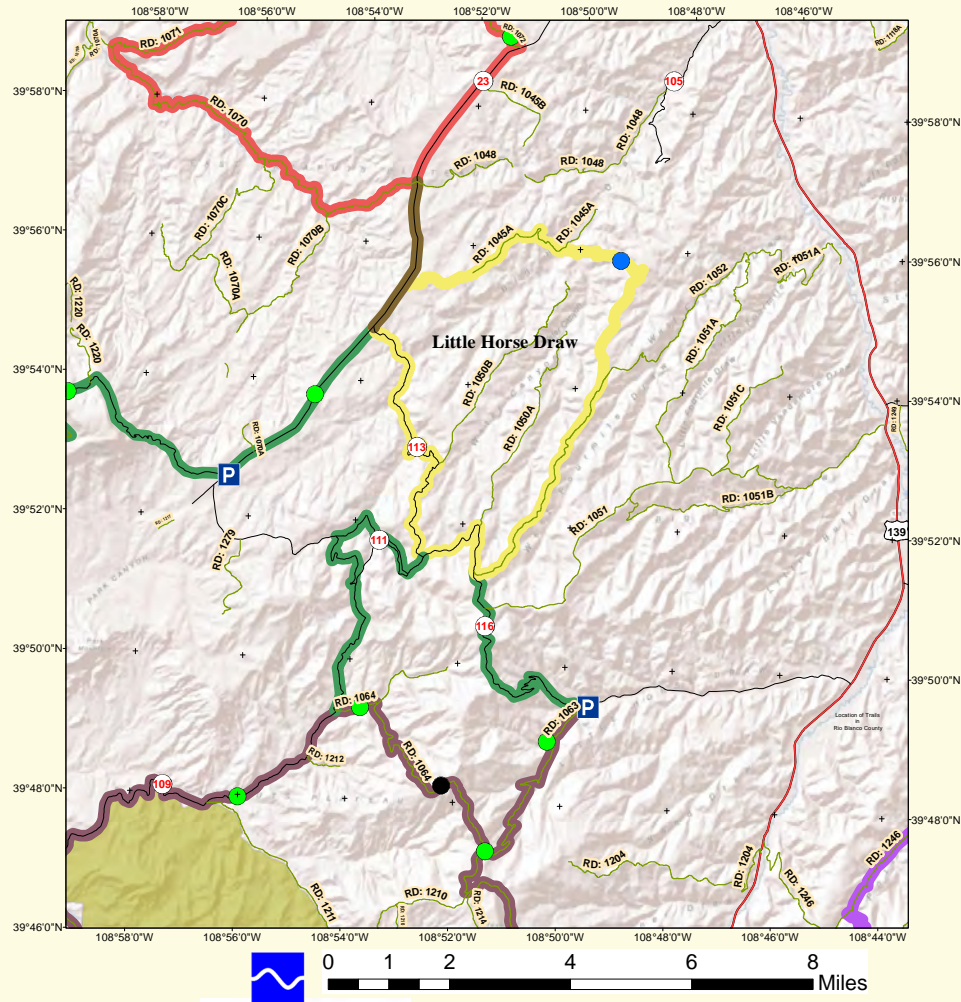


LENGTH: 58 Miles

ROUTE: CR 2, BLM 1071, BLM 1070, CR 23, CR 113, BLM 1045,
CR 23, BLM 1072, CR 2

LITTLE HORSE DRAW LOOP

A great opportunity to see wild horses, this ride will take you down into the valleys and back up on top of some great mountain desert. A faster paced ride that covers a large area, and hopefully, an increased chance to see some wild horses or other resident wildlife!

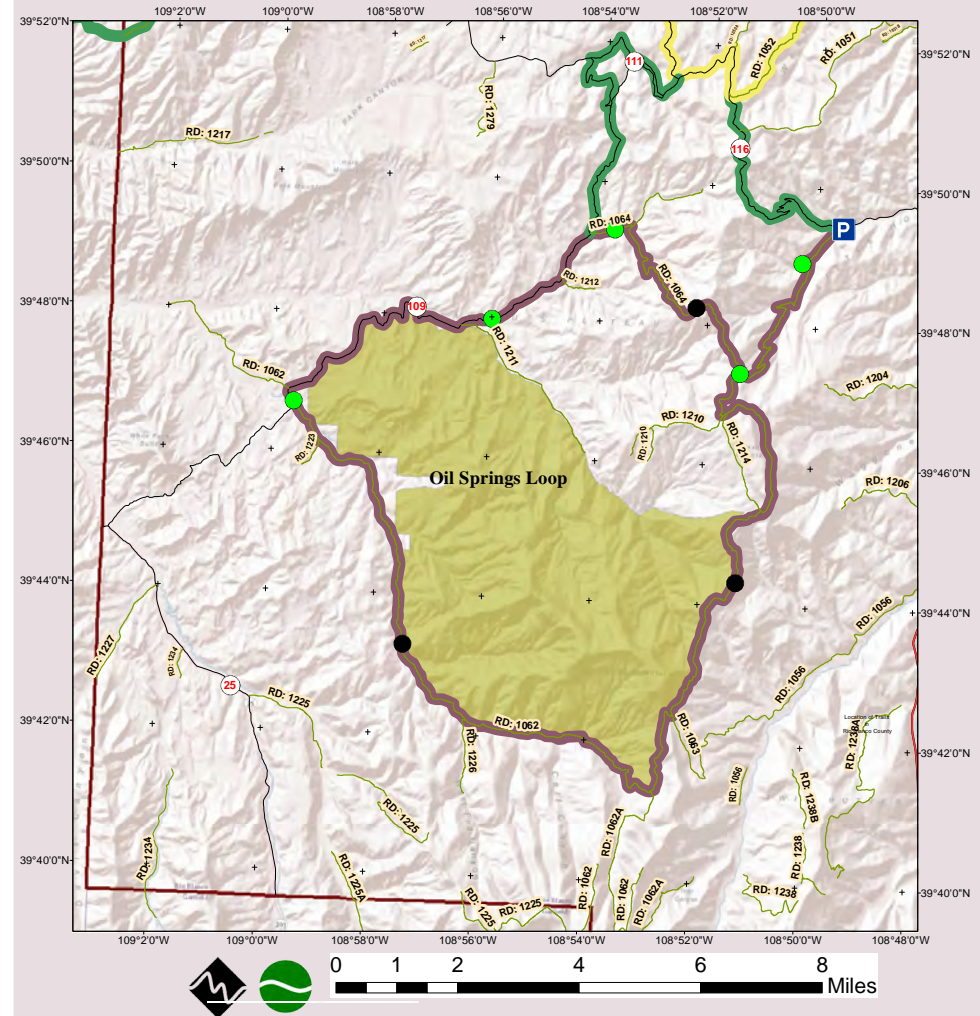


LENGTH: 40 Miles

ROUTE: CR 24X, CR 122, CR 88, CR 122, CR 24 X

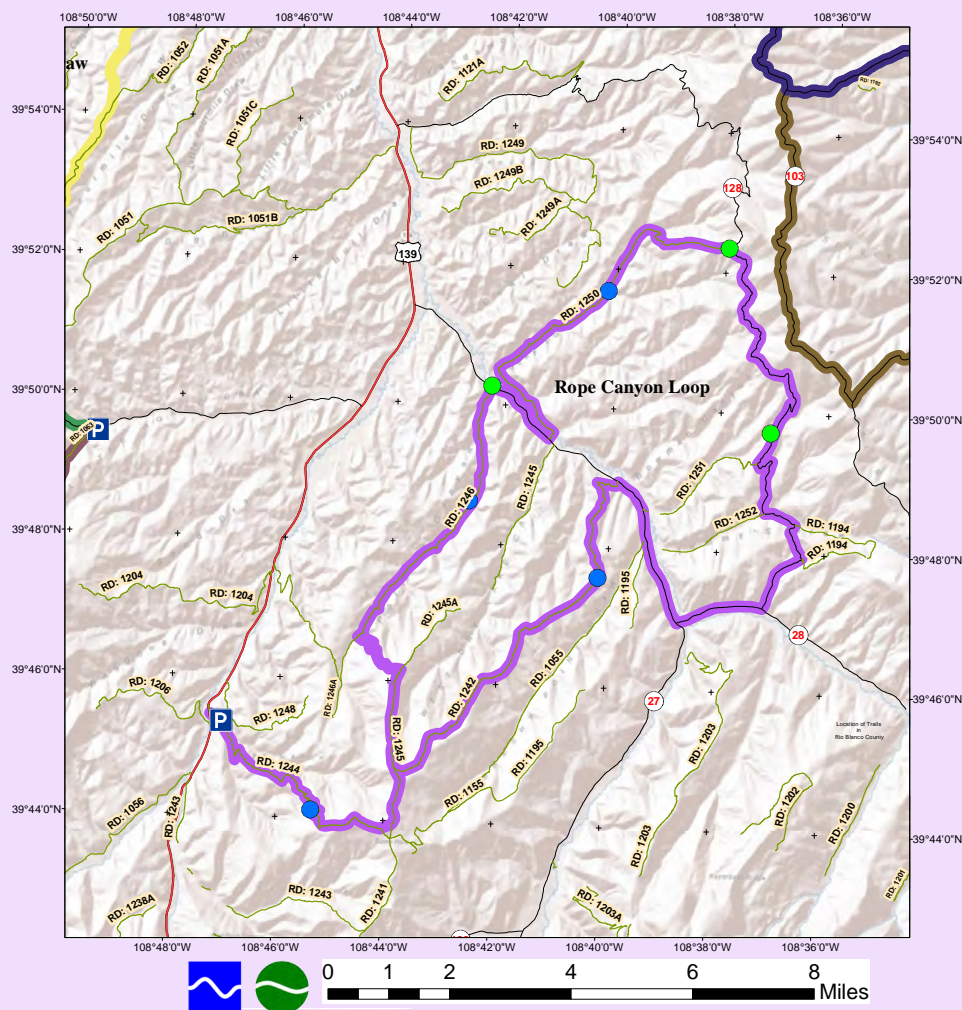
OIL SPRINGS LOOP

Enjoy a mountain ride that offers views of the gorgeous, vast valley. A wildfire on Texas Mountain a few years ago left behind a regenerated landscape and great views of the valley. Dropping down into Oil Springs there is a steep section of trail.



ROPE CANYON LOOP

This ride included high desert and mountain terrain. Enjoy the spectacular views from Brushy Point and the ride along Cathedral Bluffs. Travel switchbacks and keep your eyes peeled for evidence of Fremont and Ute Cultures.



LENGTH: 48 Miles

ROUTE: BLM 1205, BLM 1244, BLM 1245, BLM 1246, CR 27, BLM 1250, BLM 1228, CR 128, CR 27, BLM 1242, BLM 1245, BLM 1244, BLM 1205

PLAN YOUR VISIT

#1. R.O.A.R. RANGELY OHV ADVENTURE RALLY

Rangely OHV Adventure Rally is a three-day event on the Wagon Wheel West OHV trail system.

⚙️ Day 1 ⚙️

Start off your day either arriving in Rangely or waking up here and heading over to the EEC Building, located at 402 West Main Street to check in for ROAR. After you have checked in take a walk around the gym and visit our many vendors and sign up for trails. After you have checked in, hit the OHV Trails and explore with a free day to ride or hit some of the shops around town and pick up a few goodies. To finish your day, come hang out at the Rangely Automotive Museum, line your vehicles up and down South Stanolind to show off your machine. Enjoy drinks, live music, conversation, food trucks and purchase ROAR merchandise!

⚙️ Day 2 ⚙️

The day gets started early at 8 am at the EEC building with coffee, last minute trail sign ups and a rider meeting where we discuss expectations and tell you where to meet your group for trail riding. When you get back from trail riding you will head to Elks Park located at 311 South Stanolind Ave. for a classic shrimp boil dinner! After dinner you have the choice to stick around in town or head out for a night ride to Kenney Reservoir featuring a family friendly campfire, and conversation.

⚙️ Day 3 ⚙️

Again, the day gets started early at 8 am at the EEC building with coffee and last minute trail sign ups. You'll return from trail riding and proceed to Columbine Park located at 2101 East Main Street for a BBQ, or you can stick around for Search and Rescue's annual poker run that will end at Columbine Park. At Columbine Park we will feature our OHV Rodeo that you have a chance to sign up for all weekend or sit and watch others put their vehicles to the test. To end the night/weekend we have a huge raffle of different OHV items that you can buy raffle tickets for.



PLAN YOUR VISIT

#2. RANGELY'S 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS

Rangely's Fourth of July celebrations are second to none. The Town is filled with folks from all over the country who love our small-town hospitality as well as the great activities surrounding this event.

Be sure to reserve a room! Rangely offers great lodging to include cabins, hotels, motels, RV Parks and camping. Our streets/roads are OHV-friendly so in most cases you can ride straight from your lodging to the trails.

⚙️ Day 1 ⚙️

Start the day out with a great breakfast from Rangely's very own Main Street Café. The Café is frequented by locals who are great to converse with and you can certainly learn a lot about our trail system, especially those off the beaten path.

After breakfast, choose one of our great trails to explore in the wide-open spaces surrounding town.

Your dinner choice is made easy today since Cedar Ridges Golf Course hosts a Surf-N-Turf Dinner. Looking for after dinner entertainment, no problem, enjoy the free concert at Elks Park.

⚙️ Day 2 ⚙️

Enjoy a grab-and-go breakfast from Kum & Go or Loaf 'N Jug and head to Elks Park where you will find a lot of action taking place such as rib cook off, pie baking contests and inflatables for little ones. Don't forget to sign up for the Cornhole Tournament!

If you are looking for a break and perhaps some shopping stop by Sweetbriars. A perfect end to the day is a night ride on one of our incredible trails. Be sure to take time to stop and enjoy our dark skies.



⚙️ Day 3 ⚙️

After enjoying a cup of coffee and breakfast at one of the local restaurants, you will have lots of choices for recreation. Start the day floating the White River which meanders around town, enjoy water sports at Kenney Reservoir, fishing at

Camper Park or hop back on the OHV for some magnificent trail riding.

To end the day on a good note, enjoy some magnificent night golf at Cedar Ridges Golf Course.

⚙️ Day 4 ⚙️

This is the day you DO NOT want to miss. Rangely offers the most incredible 4th of July fireworks in Colorado. They are shot over Kenney Reservoir, among our canyons. The show starts at dusk.

Start the day off slowly with a nice ride on our trails then return to town for lunch at either Gio's Family Dining, El Agave Restaurant, California Wok or Los Jilbertos. Hop on your OHV and head to Kenney Reservoir early to reserve your viewing spot. You can even ride your OHV to the top of one of the mesas if you want a magnificent view away from the crowds.



#3. SEPTEMBER FEST

If you are looking for a great way to celebrate the end of summer....Rangely is the place! Come visit with us and enjoy a weekend of GREAT fun! Rangely offers great lodging which includes cabins, hotels, motels, RV Parks, and camping. Our streets/roads are OHV-friendly and in most cases you can ride straight from your lodging to the trails.

⚙️ Day 1 ⚙️

Start the day early with our traditional Fast, Flat and Free 5K which begins at our beautiful Elks Park. After the 5K, and a nice relaxing breakfast, **HIT THE TRAILS!** Rangely's trails range from slow and easy to fast and wild! Choose how you are feeling at the moment! Refer to the maps to decide.

If you have time off the trails, free inflatables for kids are available from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in Elks Park. There will also be a Cornhole Doubles Tournament in Elks Park for the adults. Or check out the local attractions who are having open houses such as at the Rangely Automotive Museum or The TANK.

End the day with a relaxing meal on Main Street at one of our local restaurants.

⚙️ Day 2 ⚙️

The day begins early with a fishing derby at Kenney Reservoir. After enjoying the fishing derby head to the Outdoor Museum to learn about Rangely's history while enjoying our famous ice-cream social.

The Rangely Rec Center sponsors Cribbage tournaments which are always amazing. A great way to make new friends and meet the locals.

A perfect end to the day is a night ride on one of our awesome trails. Be sure to take time to stop and enjoy our dark skies.... the Milky Way and millions of stars are readily available for viewing.

⚙️ Day 3 ⚙️

Start the day with a great breakfast at the firehouse with the traditional Firemen's Pancake breakfast. After breakfast check out the parade on Main Street. Elks Park will be full of vendors as well as a Car Show. A BBQ lunch will be provided at Elks Park and is a long running tradition for the community.

After lunch hit the trails for some relaxing mesas and wildlife views. Don't forget the free concert in Elks Park tonight!

Thanks for coming! We will look forward to having you visit Rangely again in the very near future!

PLAN YOUR VISIT

The door to Rangely is always open for OHV riders. Choose a date perfect for you!

We also host a lot of events and festivals that you can schedule a visit around to add to your list of enjoyment.

Check event dates and details at rangelychamber.com
Rangely.com also has a town calendar that lists all events throughout the year.

Below is a list of the annual events that may be of interest to you:

- ⚙️ **ROAR** - Always held the end of April first of May
- ⚙️ **Rally Colorado** - (Check dates - generally July)
- ⚙️ **W.E. Rock Western Series** (Check dates - generally July)
- ⚙️ **Hill Climb** - (Check dates - generally July)
- ⚙️ **4th of July Celebrations**
- ⚙️ **SeptemberFest** - Labor Day weekend
- ⚙️ **OctoberFest** - (Check dates)



DINING



- * California Wok**
321 East Main Street, Suite #5
(970) 675- 5888
Monday-Friday 11am-9pm
Saturday 3pm-9pm
Sunday 12pm-9pm
- * Bam's Sub Shoppe**
203 West Main Street
Monday-Tuesday 11am-7pm
Thursday-Saturday 11am-7pm
- * Gio's Family Dining**
855 East Main Street
(970) 675-2670
Monday-Saturday 11am-8pm

- * Coaches Corner Bar & Grill**
35 Park Street
(970) 572-0122
Sunday 11am-11pm
Monday & Wednesday 4pm-11pm
Thursday 11am-11 pm
Friday & Saturday 11am-12am
- * Kum & Go Pizza & Grab N' Go**
317 East Main Street
(970) 675-2858
Open 24/7
- * Loaf N' Jug Grab N' Go**
783 CO-64
(970) 675-5890
Open 24/7

- * Los Jilbertos**
322 West Main Street
Opening Soon
- * Main Street Café**
124 West Main Street
(970) 675-2799
Wednesday-Sunday: 6am-2pm
- * Main Street Pub**
707 East Main Street
(970) 675-2751
Wednesday-Saturday 4pm-11pm



LODGING

- * Blue Mountain Inn & Suites**
37 Park Street
(970) 675-8888
Rooms
bluemountaininnrangely.com
- * Buck N' Bull RV Park**
2811 East Main Street
(970) 675-8335
Pull-thru sites, big rig access,
tent camping
bucknbullrvpark.com
- * Camper Park**
924 East Main Street
(970) 675-8211
Tent Camping & RV Parking
westernrioblancomrpd.colorado.gov/parks/camper-park

- * Trailhead RV Park**
505 West Main Street
(970) 234-0497
RV Camping, Water & Sewer
Available
- * Kenney Reservoir Campground**
(970) 675-5055
Tent camping, Self-Contained
Campers
rioblancowatercd.colorado.gov/camping
- * Moosehead Lodge**
856 East Main Street
(970) 675-2433
Cabins & Rooms
mooseheadlodgecolorado.com

- * Outside Inn LLC**
117 S. Grand Avenue
(970) 675-2259
- * Silver Sage RV Park**
314 East Main Street
(970) 675-2259
Full Hookups for RV's
silversagerv.com

REPAIRS



- * EZ Auto Mechanics LLC**
807 East Main Street
(970) 675-8000
Monday-Friday: 7am - 5pm
- * NAPA**
214 East Main Street
(970) 6705-5051
Monday-Friday: 7am - 6pm
Saturday 8am - 4pm

- * Professional Touch**
112 East Main Street
(970) 675-2025
Monday-Friday: 8am - 6pm
- * Rangely Ace Hardware**
609 CO-64
(970) 675-2531
7 Days a week: 7am - 9pm

- * Rangely True Value**
105 West Main Street
(970) 675-2454
Monday-Friday: 7am - 8pm
Saturday & Sunday: 8am - 6pm
- * Yardley Automotive**
820 East Main Street
(970) 675-2240
Monday-Friday: 7:30am - 5pm

GAS



- * Conoco**
102 East Main Street
(970) 675-2090
Monday-Friday 6am - 7pm
Saturday 8am - 3pm

- * Loaf N' Jug**
783 CO-64
(970) 675-5890
Open 24/7

- * Kum & Go**
317 East Main Street
(970) 675-2858
Open 24/7

GROCERY



- * Dollar General**
226 East Main
Street
(970) 620-8961
7 Days a week:
8am - 10pm

- * Family Dollar**
600 East Main
Street
(970) 701-6001
7 days a week:
9am - 9pm

- * Nichols Store**
825 E. Main Street
10:00 am to 6:00 pm

- * White River Market**
609 CO-64
(970) 675-2531
7 Days a week:
7am - 9pm



INFORMATION

Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce
255 E. Main Street, Rangely, Colorado 81648 | (970) 675-5290
rangelychamber@gmail.com | www.rangelychamber.com

FAQs

FIRST TIME RIDING IN RIO BLANCO COUNTY?

Welcome! We hope you enjoy our trails as much as we do. Rio Blanco County is proud to be an “OHV friendly county” and we welcome you to ride your OHV on town streets (excluding main highways) and designated County Roads. The Wagon Wheel OHV Trail System includes over 250 miles in Meeker of interconnecting loops and trails located on the USFS White River National Forest. Rangely offers more than 350 miles of interconnecting loops plus one of the only natural rock crawling parks in Colorado. Riders can experience all levels of difficulty, terrain, and scenery. Rio Blanco County is one of the premier places for your next OHV and motorcycle adventure!

WHAT ARE THE RULES FOR RIDING ON TOWN STREETS AND COUNTY ROADS?

See the “Rules and Regulations” in this guide, page E18.

ARE HELMETS REQUIRED?

Riders are not required to wear helmets and other safety gear, but it is highly encouraged. We want everyone to have a fun, safe ride! Safety flags on each OHV are recommended for visibility.

CAN I RENT AN OHV?

Gianinetti's offers rentals in Meeker and Rangely and is located at 246 Market Street in Meeker. Call (970) 296-4596 or visit them online at gianinettis.com.

WHAT SHOULD I TAKE ON MY RIDE?

Be sure to bring plenty of gas, rain gear, warm clothing, bug repellent, sunscreen, lunch, plenty to drink, plus other important personal items you may need. Don't forget your camera! You will encounter many beautiful sights you will want some pictures to remind you of your trip!



FAQs

WHAT OHVS ARE ALLOWED AND WHAT ARE THE RESTRICTIONS?

We welcome all OHVs! The Wagon Wheel Trail System is designed for usage with 4-wheelers, side-by-sides, motorcycles, and even some full sized vehicles. Some trails in Meeker have width restrictions. Rangely trails have no width restrictions. This information can be found on the trail descriptions in this Guide, or online at wagonwheeltrails.org. Trail maps with this information are available at the Chambers of Commerce and include the Wagon Wheel Trail Map and the USFS Summer Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM).

AM I REQUIRED TO HAVE A COLORADO OHV REGISTRATION STICKER?

Yes. All riders will need to have a current OHV registration sticker. Riders not from Colorado can purchase their registration at:

- Backcountry Outpost, 223 8th Street, Meeker
- Samuelson's True Value, 43900 Hwy 13, Meeker
- Rangely True Value, 105 W. Main, Rangely (970-675-2454)

The cost is \$25.25. Both Colorado residents and nonresidents can also purchase a registration at the local Colorado Parks and Wildlife Office, 73485 Hwy 64, Meeker. You can also purchase OHV stickers at cpwshop.com

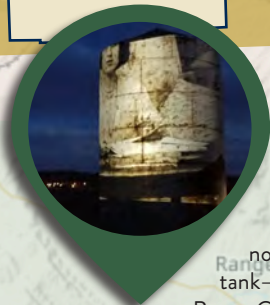
WHERE CAN I GET TRAIL MAPS AND INFO?

Information is available at the Meeker Chamber of Commerce, 710 Market Street, Meeker, (970) 878-5510 or the Rangely Chamber of Commerce, 225 E. Main Street, Rangely, (970)675-5290. Trail info can be found online at wagonwheeltrails.org.



Explore Rio Blanco County!

Make time between trails riding to check out these additional not-to-miss attractions!



The TANK Center for Sonic Arts

The Tank is an acoustical marvel, a senses-altering experience found nowhere else on earth. A 60-foot tall, 30-foot across rusted steel water tank—never used—was discovered in Colorado by sound artist and sonic thinker Bruce Odland in 1976. The Tank is a sonic wonder of the world, with a shifting, swirling reverberation longer and richer than the Taj Majal or the Great Pyramid. Sitting unnoticed in the dirt hills outside Rangely, Colorado—surrounded by oil pumps and dirt bike trails—the profound acoustic beauty within is balanced by the austerity of its remote location and its simple industrial architecture.

Canyon Pintado National Historic District

The Canyon Pintado National Historic District includes hundreds of archaeological sites, most deriving from the Fremont Culture (c. AD 0_1300) and Ute (c. AD 1300_1881) occupations of the Douglas Creek Canyon. Look for eight interpretive exhibits along the highway. You can easily see many pictographs and petroglyphs on our trails.



Rangely Automotive Museum

In Northwest Colorado stands one of very few car museums in the state. This Museum will impress both fledgling automobile enthusiasts as well as offer plenty to excite the experts. Here you will find a breathtaking collection that is diverse in character and age. Every part of this collection marvels in the long history of the automotive revolution and includes numerous automobiles that are exceedingly rare. All of these were hand selected by the owner, Bud Striegel. A classy guy with classy taste who happens to love his community and his cars.



Kenney Reservoir and the White River

Kenney Reservoir is located five miles east of the town of Rangely along Colorado State Highway 64 and the White River meanders around Community. If you love watersports, this is your paradise...without the crowds!



Flat Tops Trail Scenic Byway

Did you know that Co Rd 8 is actually one of the 26 Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways and connects the town of Meeker and Yampa. It showcases the White River National Forest's long history of multiple-use land management and remains a "working byway" providing access to public lands as well as rangeland for local sheep and cattle ranchers.



Year-Round Events

Events in Meeker are an opportunity to experience a variety of big celebrations with small town grace and hospitality! Check the community calendar for local events to attend while you are here from Outdoor Concerts, Farmers Markets, Rodeos and Sheepherding!

National Historic District

The Meeker Historic District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2019. Shop, dine and stroll the historic downtown! Stop by the White River Museum and take a self guided tour through town.



Fishing the White River

Fishing the White River and the Flat Tops Wilderness Area's remote lakes and streams offers an unforgettable backcountry experience. There are 10 informational kiosks located along County Road 8 noting areas along the White River that are accessible to the public. Pick up your public Fishing Areas map at the Visitor Center



Lake Avery

Take a break at Lake Avery! Rent a Paddleboard at Giannetti's, have a picnic lunch and cool off on the dock. Make sure to have your fishing/hunting license or SWA Pass.

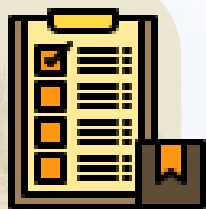


TRAIL ETIQUETTE

Be Wagon Wheel Ready!

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

All trail systems are different so make sure you know the regulations and have your maps. Know your vehicle width, the trail width restrictions and levels of difficulty so you can plan a safe and enjoyable ride.



OBEY SPEED LIMITS

The speed limit is 25 mph on Town streets, 35 mph on County Roads and 25 mph on unmarked County Roads.



BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE

During the summer check to see if there are fire restrictions. The different stages can affect the usage of not only open fire but also shooting, smoking, and using fireworks, chainsaws, and charcoal.



ACCLIMATE TO ALTITUDE

Allow your body to adjust to the new altitude to avoid altitude sickness with symptoms of headache, dizziness and nausea. Spend a day at lower levels first before continuing higher and stay hydrated in our dry climate.



STAY THE TRAIL

Always drive on designated motorized routes only. Ride over obstacles, not around them. Going around obstacles widens trails, impacts vegetation, and causes erosion. Be courteous to other trail users and “Let ‘Em Pass”. When passing or meeting other riders on the trail, give them a hand signal to let them know how many riders are left behind you in your group. Visit StaytheTrail.org for more details and tips.



LEAVE WILD ANIMALS AND LIVESTOCK ALONE

Please do not approach or feed wild animals. Be aware of signs that you are getting too close such as head raised high with ears pointed in your direction, skittishness, the animal moves away or lowers head with ears back, or displays aggression or nervous behavior.

BE AWARE OF LIVESTOCK PROTECTION DOGS

These are large, trained working dogs to protect herds of sheep from predators and need to be left alone. Keep your dog on a leash and controlled at all times. If a livestock protection dog approaches you do not feed it, throw things at it, or try to outrun it. Keep your distance and let the dog and/or sheep pass.



RULES & REGULATIONS



⚙ GENERAL

> Operators must obey all speed limits, exercise safe driving practices, and are subject to the Model Traffic Code regulations and applicable laws of the State of Colorado.

⚙ INSURANCE & LICENSES

- > Within Rio Blanco County, OHV operators are required to maintain at least the minimum liability insurance coverage of \$25,000 per person, \$50,000 per accident, and \$15,000 property damage.
- > Within Meeker Town limits operators must be in possession of a valid Colorado driver's license or valid driver's license from another state.
- > Within Rangely town limits any person operating an OHV must be at least 11 years of age or be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older.
- > Within the County, riders 16 years or older must have a valid driver's license, and riders over the age of 10 must be operating under the supervision of a person with a valid driver's license.
- > Riders under the age of 10 shall not operate an OHV.

⚙ ROADS

> Within Meeker's Town limits, OHVs are allowed on all roads and on all alleys, except for State Highway 13 (Market Street.) Riders crossing State Highway 13 (Market Street) shall do so at an angle of approximately ninety (90) degrees to the direction of the highway, and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing. Within Rangely Town limits, all Town streets, roads and alleys, except any street or road which is part of the State Highway system, are designated as off-highway routes.

⚙ SPEED

- > Within Meeker Town limits, the OHV maximum speed limit is 25 miles per hour unless a sign designates a lesser speed limit.
- > Within Rangely Town limits, the OHV maximum speed limit is 10 miles per hour.
- > On designated County roads, OHV riders must not exceed speeds of 35 miles per hour, or the posted speed limit, whichever is less.

⚙ SAFETY

- > Within Meeker Town limits, no person shall operate an OHV while carrying another person or riding in any position that may interfere with the operation or control of the OHV or the view of the operator.
- > All off-highway vehicles must be equipped with and have in use: at least one headlamp, at least one red tail lamp, functioning braking system, spark arrester, muffler, current Colorado Parks and Wildlife registration decal, which can be obtained at www.parks.state.co.us.
- > Within Rangely Town limits, OHV operators must take the most direct route as possible to a BLM area, educational activity, or employment. Education activities or work activities must be approved by the Chief of Police and any questions will be verified.
- > Within Rangely Town limits, no OHV shall be operated between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

Meeker, Rangely, and Rio Blanco County are proud to be OHV-friendly.

Please be a responsible rider!





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* HOTELS & MOTELS

Blue Spruce Inn

488 Market Street
(970) 878-0777
bluespruceinn.com

Elk Mountain Inn

723 Market Street
(970) 878-3656
elkmountainmeeker.com

Meeker Hotel & Café

560 Main Street
(970) 878-5062
meekershotel.com/cafe

Trailhead Cabins and

Lodging

173 First Street
(970) 414-0110
trailheadcabinsandlodging.com

White River Inn

219 East Market Street
(970) 878-5031
whiteriverinn.com

* LODGES & CABINS

Adam's Lodge Outfitters

6389 County Road 4
(970) 878-4312
adamslodgeoutfitters.com

Bar 7 Bed, Bath & Barn

2162 County Road 15
(970) 878-5080
bar7bedbathandbarn.com

Buford Lodge

20474 County Road 8
(970) 231-0188
bufordlodge.com

Ducey's White River Resort

12830 County Road 8
(970) 878-4378

Elk Haven LLC

950 Purcell Drive
(715) 587-7510
elkhavencolorado.com

JML Outfitters

300 County Road 75
(970) 878-4749
jmloutfitters.com

Rolling R Ranch

42253 Co Rd 17
(970) 889-4354
rollingguestranch.com

Ripple Creek Lodge

39020 CR 8
(970) 878-4725
ripplecreeklodge.com

Sleepy Cat Mountain Real

Estate and Lodging

42112 County Road 17
(970) 878-5258
sleepycatmountain.com

The Aspens Lodge

1077 County Rd 10
(970) 878-5436
theaspenslodge.com/our-facilities

Thunderbird Lodge

40434 County Road 17
(970) 878-7098
tblodge.com

Trappers Lake Lodge

7700 Trappers Lake Rd.
(970) 878-3336
trapperslake.com

Ute Lodge

393 County Road 75
(970) 878-4669
utelodge.com

* CAMPING & RV PARKS

Meeker River Bend RV Park

910 Water Street
(970) 220-2150
meekerriverbend.com

Rim Rock Campground

73179 Highway 64
(970) 878-4486
rimrockcamp.com

River Camp RV Park

38723 CO-13
(970) 987-6695
whiterivercolorado.com

Trail and Hitch Rv Park and

Tiny Home Hotel

322 County Rd 8
(970) 235-1104
coloradotrailandhitch.com

For Campgrounds and dispersed camping info call the Visitor Center, 970.878.5510

DINE



* Blanco Cellars & The

Little Cheese Shop

317 E. Market Street Ste. 3A
(970) 779-9463
blancocellars.com

* Chippers

285 6th Street
(970) 878-7520

* Clarks

858 Market Street
(970) 878-3240

* Ma Famiglia Italian Restaurant

410 Market Street
(970) 878-4141
mafamiglia.com

* Meeker Sweet

Shop
315 6th Street
(970) 457-1300
smalltownexperience.com/sweet-shop

* Meeker Hotel & Café

560 Main Street
(970) 878-5062
meekershotel.com/cafe

* Mexican House

Restaurant
624 Market St
(970) 878-5535
mexicanhouse.net

* Off The Olive Branch

317 E. Market Street Suite 4
(970) 620-0440
offtheolivebranch.com

* Ol' Crows Beer &

Beverage
1030 Market Street
(970) 878-5485

* Outfitters Diner

364 7th Street
(970) 878-9956

* Red Rooster Sandwich

Shop
315 6th Street
(970) 878-7701

* Smoking River

Brewing Co.
101 East Market Street
(970) 761-9163

* Watt's Ranch Market

271 E. Market Street
(970) 878-5868
wattsranchemarket.com

* Wendll's

206 Market Street
(970) 878-3688
wendlls.com

PLAY



* OHV RENTALS

Gianinetti's Powersport Rentals

246 Market Street, (970) 296-4596, gianinettis.com

INFO



* Meeker Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center

710 Market Street
(970) 878-5510
meekerchamber.com, visitmeekercolorado.com

* Wagon Wheel OHV Club

wagonwheelohvclubco@gmail.com
wagonwheeltrails.org



PLAN YOUR VISIT

#1. SUMMER WEEKEND IN MEEKER

⚙️ Thursday ⚙️

Check into our locally owned hotels, motels, tiny homes or RV parks located right in town. Our roads are OHV-friendly, so ride from town to the trailheads. In the evening, be entertained by the **Meeker Summer Rodeo Series**, every Thursday night June through August at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds.

⚙️ Friday ⚙️

Sit down for breakfast at the historic **Meeker Café** and then ride straight from there to **#8 Hay Flats to Miller Creek Loop** for an all day adventure. If you would rather trailer than ride on pavement, trailer to the Miller Creek Trailhead and enjoy the **Miller Creek Loop #1** (62" width restriction.)

End the day back in town where you can enjoy **Meekerpalooza** on Friday nights from 4-8pm with live music, a beer garden, a farmers market and activities. While you're there, stroll our downtown shops like **Nana Goose** and **Bluebell Boutique**.

More details: <http://meekerchamber.chambermaster.com/events/calendar>

⚙️ Saturday ⚙️

Enjoy a coffee from the **Meeker Sweet Shop** or a grab-and-go breakfast from **Wendll's**. Then trailer to Lake Avery trailhead to ride the **#2 Sleepy Cat Peak Loop**. This trail offers a little more adventure with some steep rocky climbs and water crossings. On your way back to town, stop for an outdoor afternoon snack and beverage at **Blanco Cellars** or **Smoking River Brewing Co.**

For dinner and drinks, our local restaurants offer great service for a wide variety of tastes. Check out **Outfitters Diner**, **Mexican House**, **Clarks** or **Chippers**.

⚙️ Sunday ⚙️

Head home with new wonderful memories!

Extra time?

- History buffs, visit the White River Museum, Milk Creek Battlefield, or Highland Cemetery for 360 degree views of the White River Valley.
- Swim and play at the Meeker Rec Center and our many parks, hike or bike the trails right outside Meeker, or play a round at the Meeker Golf Course.

#2. FOREST GETAWAY

⚙️ Day 1 ⚙️

Before you head into the White River National Forest, check out downtown Meeker! Take a break from driving and meet the friendly locals while enjoying a snack and beverage at our locally-owned restaurants or brewery. Stock up on your supplies at **Watts Ranch Market**, **Ol' Crows Beer & Beverage**, **Off the Olive Branch** and **Blanco Cellars** and the **Little Cheese Shop**. Grab your outdoor gear at **Backcountry Outpost**.

Yellow Jacket Area: There is plenty of dispersed camping in this area. Remember to look up at night. Without many lights to block your view, the night sky is amazing! This area has direct access to **Yellow Jacket Loops #9 and #7**, which have a 62" width restriction. For no width restriction take FS trail 250 and connect to **#2 Sleepy Cat Peak Loop**.

Flat Tops Trail Scenic Byway (Co Rd 8) Area: Drive to your campground or cabin on the scenic Flat Tops Trail Scenic Byway (Co Rd 8). Lake Avery, and North Fork Campgrounds have direct access to trails. There are many options for cabin rentals, too.

⚙️ Day 2 ⚙️

Start at the **Fawn Creek Trailhead** for loop **#3 or #4** (62" restriction). These rides are great for the more experienced rider and offer scenic overlooks.

For an all-day ride near Meadow Lake try **#6 Flat Tops Trail Scenic Adventure**.

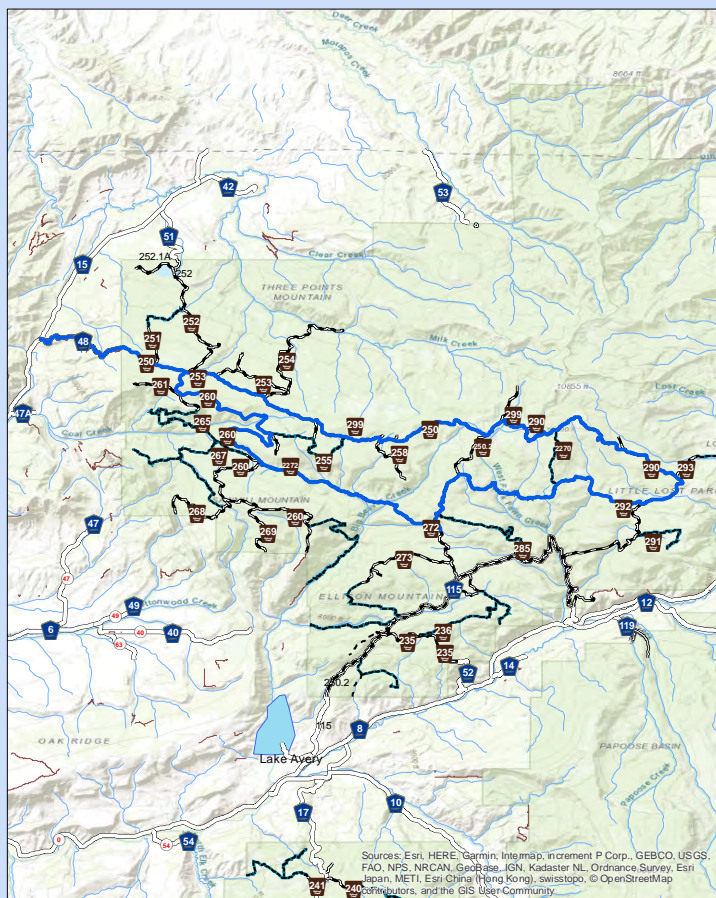
After a long day, if you need a break from cooking, head over to the historic **Trappers Lake Lodge** for dinner; they have a souvenir shop too! The road to Trapper's Lake does not allow OHVs, so take your other vehicle. Check their schedule at trapperslake.com—sometimes they have live music and special events.

Extra time?

- Fish off the pier at Lake Avery or the many public access points along the White River.
- See some new country and take a guided half day horse-back ride (rent from our many outfitters).
- Drive up the Flat Tops Trail Scenic byway past Ripple Creek Pass and stop at the overlook for spectacular views and educational information.

#9 YELLOW JACKET TO SLEEPY CAT RIDE

Enjoy a 45 mile ride from the Yellow Jacket Pass Parking Lot. Travel past the iconic Sleepy Cat Peak, circle through beautiful open areas and wind through pine trees, then make your way back.



LENGTH: 45 Miles

ROUTE: Yellow Jacket Pass Parking Lot, CR48, FS250, FS260, FS2272, FS250, FS270, FS2270, FS2292, FS292, FS290, FS250, FS2278, FS250, CR48, Yellow Jacket Pass Parking Lot

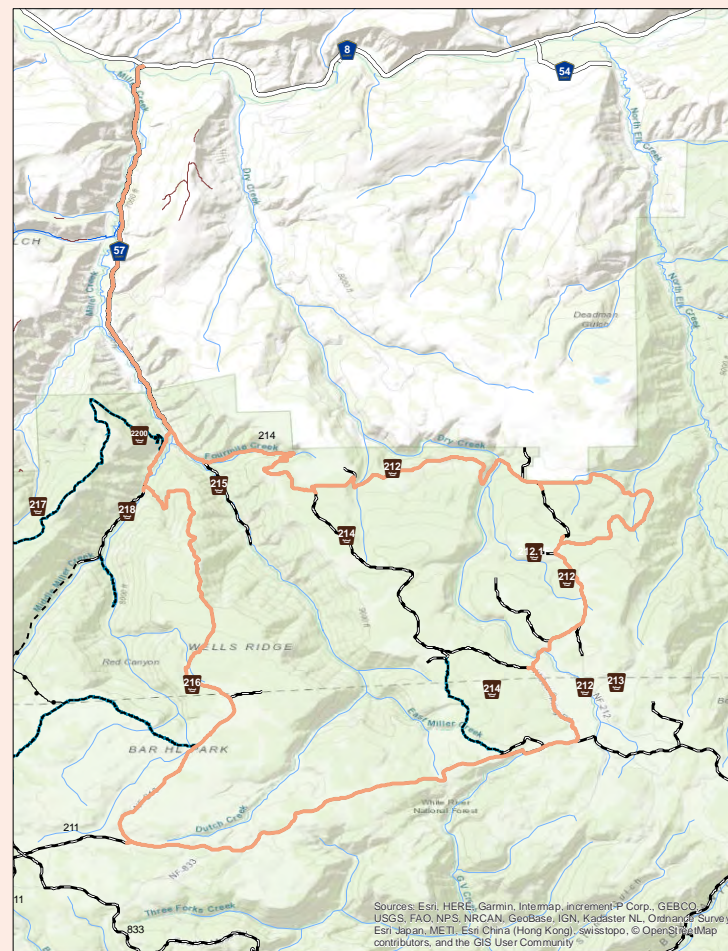
#10 MILLER CREEK TO ELK CREEK LOOP RIDE

More experienced riders will truly enjoy this loop along Miller Creek and overlooking the beautiful Elk Creek valley. Treat yourself to a beautiful view of the upriver area.

Trailhead:
Miller Creek
Parking Lot

Riders will encounter several steep uphill rocky climbs as well as a long, steep and rocky descent with sections having rutted and off-camber surfaces. Experienced riders only.

OHVs must be 62 inches or less in overall width.

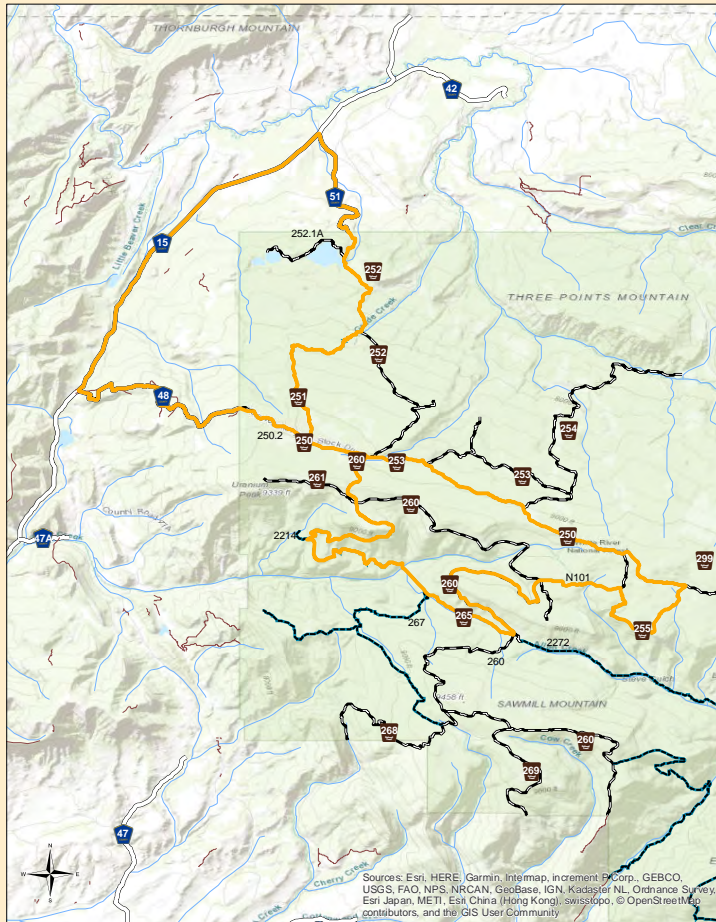


LENGTH: 32 Miles

ROUTE: CR57, FS215, FS214, FS212, FS2212, FS212, FS214, FS211, FS216, FS2162, FS218, FS215, CR57

#7 YELLOW JACKET HISTORIC RIDE

Learn more about the area and its rich history as you pass through the historic Uranium Peak Mining District and by the Milk Creek Battlefield Park with this loop. The ridge road to Aldrich Lake offers spectacular views.



Trailhead:
Yellow Jacket
Pass Parking
Lot

This ride offers sections of more difficult trail with exposed rock, off-camber surface, and rutted trail. Riders should be experienced and have an OHV with good ground clearance.

OHVs must be 62 inches or less in overall width.

LENGTH: 40 Miles

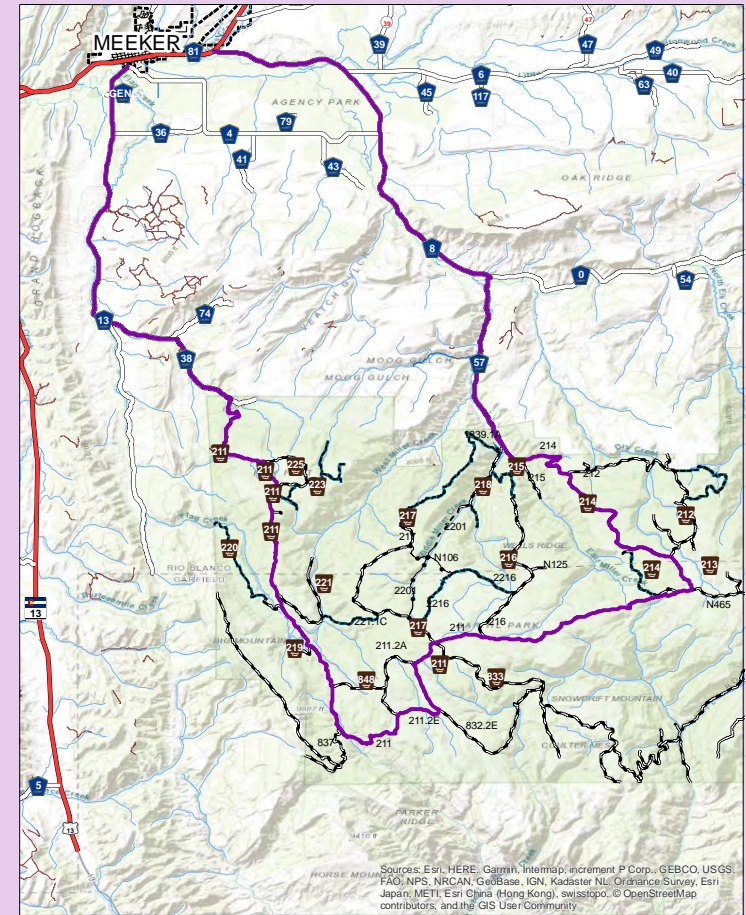
ROUTE: Yellow Jacket Pass Parking Lot, CR48, FS250, FS260, FS263, FS2633, FS2214, FS2286, FS2267, FS260, FS2278, FS250, FS251, FS2279, FS242, CR51, CR15

#8 HAY FLATS TO MILLER CREEK RIDE

A local favorite, riders will enjoy the switchbacks as they climb in elevation to the summer feeding grounds of area wildlife and local livestock. Enjoy the abundance of wildflowers and cross Miller Creek before returning to Meeker.

Trailhead:
Meeker

This ride includes several rocky sections, off-camber, rutted areas and small stream crossings. Approximately half of this ride will be on well-maintained gravel and paved roads with the remainder on Forest Service 4x4 dirt roads. Riders should have some experience with rocky, uneven surfaces.



Note: This loop can be ridden either way, as both start and endpoint are in Meeker

LENGTH: 60 Miles

ROUTE: CR 13, CR38, FS211, FS214, FS215, CR57, CR8, Connector Trail

#5 PAGODA PEAK LOOP

Feel like you're on top of the world with this 20 mile loop. Trailer to the parking lot at the FS230 turnoff to begin your ride while enjoying the beauty of Ripple Creek Pass along the Flat Tops Scenic Byway.



LENGTH: 16 Miles

ROUTE: Parking Lot East of FS230, FS230, FS1804, CR8, Parking Lot East of FS230

Trailhead: Lost Lakes Pagoda Trailhead and Parking Area at FS 1804 off Co Rd 8 (near MM 45), or East FS230

This loop has a 50" width restriction, great for ATV's! Note that trail #1804 is open June 21 - Aug. 31.

This ride includes areas of steep, very rocky, off-camber and narrow trail, with small stream crossings. Stay on the trail in wet meadow areas so as not to damage terrain. This is a great route for experienced riders, with the majority of the ride on Forest Service 4x4 roads and 50 inch trail before returning to the parking lot.

OHVs must be 50 inches or less in overall width.

#6 FLAT TOPS SCENIC ADVENTURE RIDE

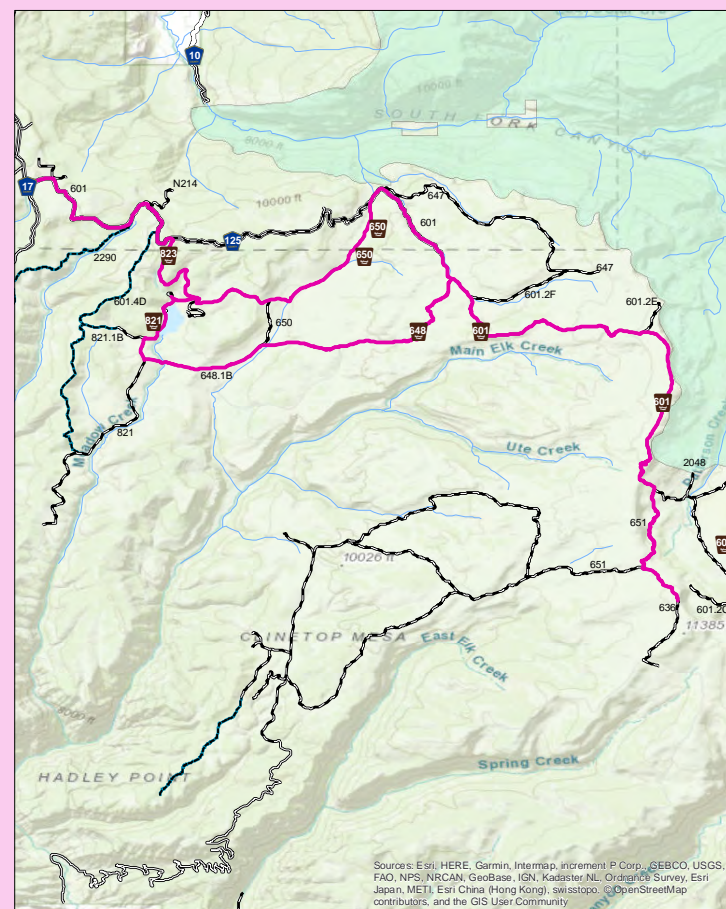
With some of the most amazing scenic overlooks and extreme technical challenges, this long day ride is not for the faint of heart. Travel to Blair Mountain and beyond from the Meadow Lake turnoff. Get an early start for this ride and you won't be disappointed.

Trailhead: FS601 Parking Lot

To trailhead: Traveling from Meeker, the trailhead is 35 miles from Meeker, requiring around 1.5 hours trailering time.

Turn south off Co Rd 8 onto Co Rd 10 and go 1.5 miles. Turn right onto County Road 17/ FS 245 for 13 miles, then turn left onto County Road 125/FS601 for 0.5 mile to the parking area.

This ride includes numerous steep, rutted, off-camber and very rocky sections. Several small streams will be forded. Experienced riders only.

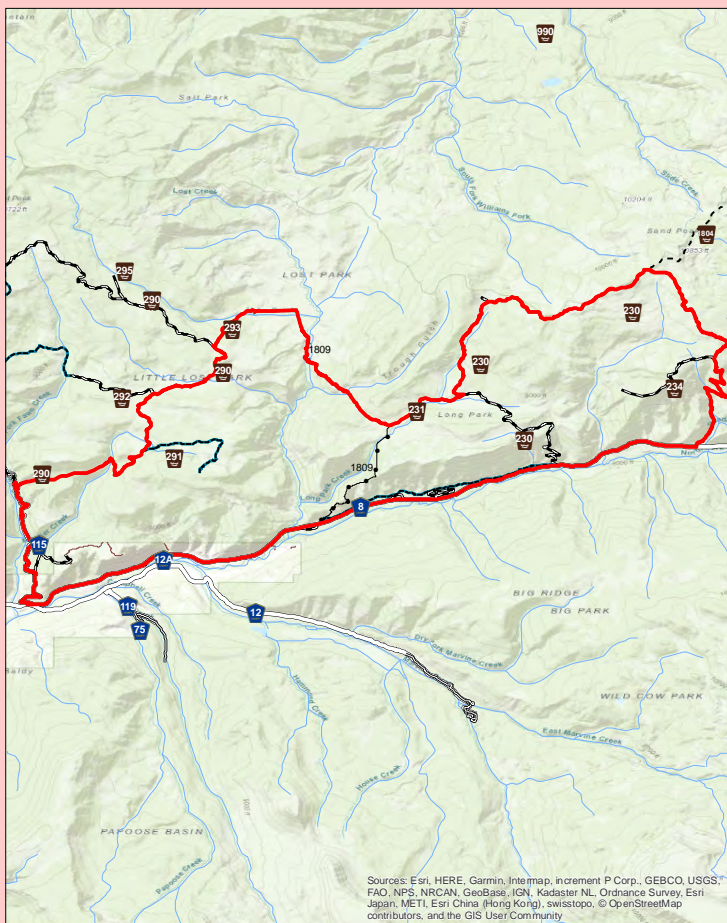


LENGTH: 50 Miles

ROUTE: Parking Lot, FS601, FS823, FS821, FS648, FS601, FS636, Adams Lake Overlook, FS636, FS651, FS601, FS649, FS650, FS823, FS601, Parking Lot

#3 FAWN CREEK TO DEADHORSE LOOP

If photo opportunities are what you're looking for, this is your ride! Featuring one of the most impressive scenic overlooks of the White River National Forest and the North Fork of White River.



LENGTH: 32 Miles

Trailhead: Fawn Creek Parking Lot

The Fawn Creek and Fawn Creek to Deadhorse loops include areas of steep to very steep, rocky off-camber and/or narrow trail with several small stream crossings for experienced riders. The majority of this ride will be on Forest Service 4x4 roads and trails, with some pavement riding to return to parking lot.

OHVs must be 62 inches or less in overall width.

ROUTE: Fawn Creek Parking Lot, CR8, CR115, FS280, FS290, FS293, FS1809.2, FS231, FS230, CR8, Fawn Creek Parking Lot

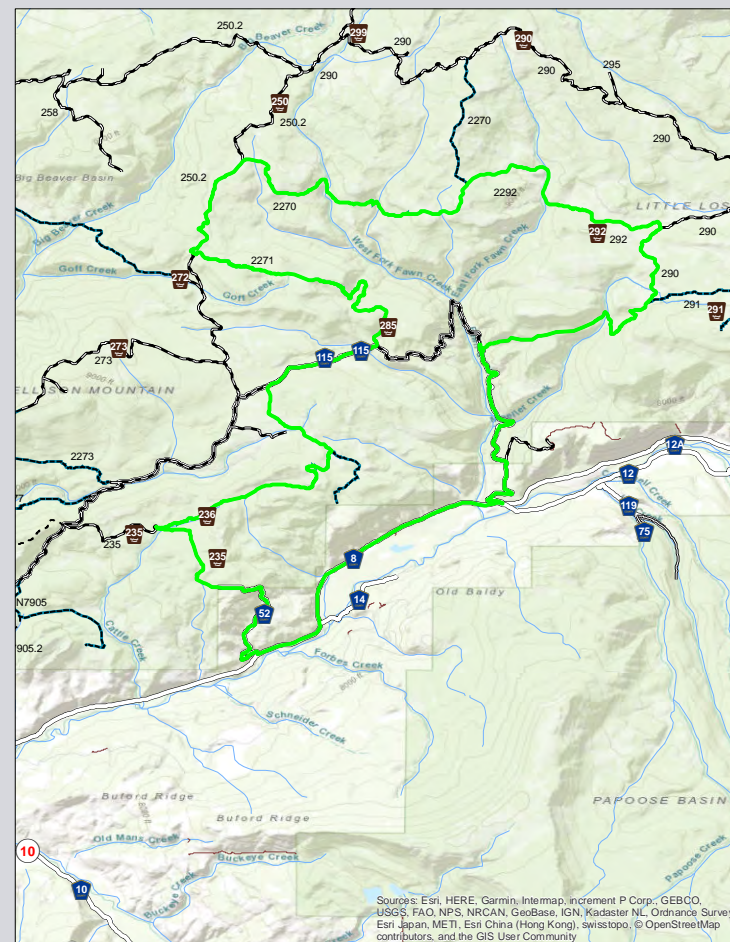
#4 FAWN CREEK LOOP

If you'd like a shorter day ride that provides technical challenges, you will enjoy this loop. This ride begins at the Fawn Creek Parking Lot and cuts through beautiful wildflower fields.

Trailhead: Fawn Creek Parking Lot

This ride includes steep, rocky, off-camber or narrow trails with small stream crossing. Experienced riders only.

OHVs must be 62 inches or less in overall width.

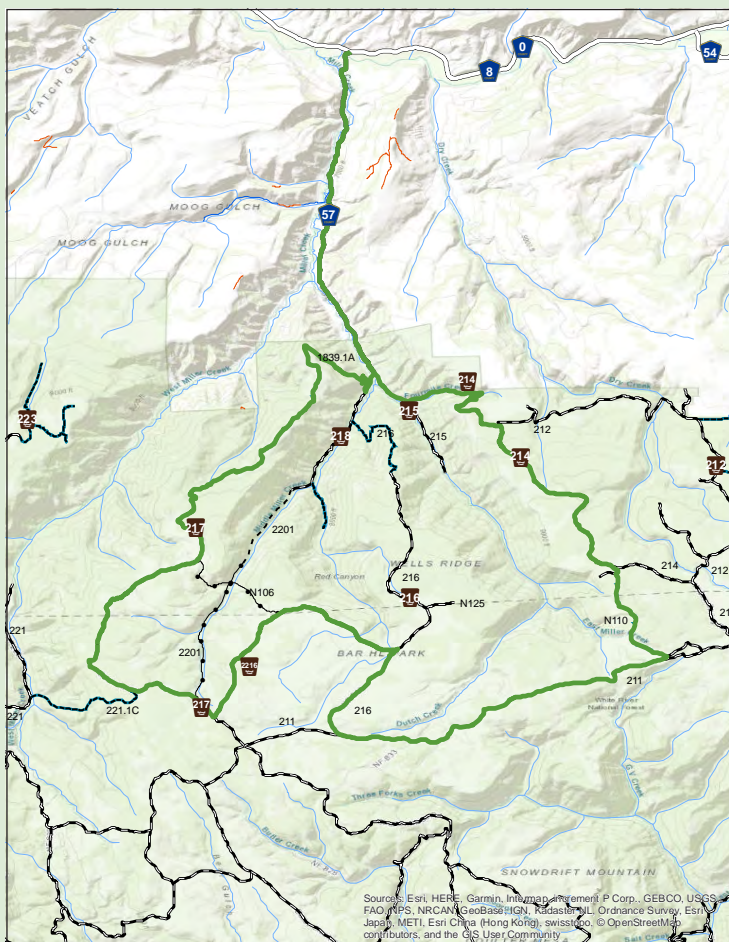


LENGTH: 16 Miles

ROUTE: CR8, CR115, FS280, FS290, FS292, FS2292, FS2270, FS270, FS250, FS2271, FS285, FS280, FS289, FS2236, FS235, CR52, CR8

#1 MILLER CREEK LOOP RIDE

This loop starts and ends at the Miller Creek parking lot. The trail winds along Miller Creek, gains elevation and tops out with long distance vistas and plenty of wildlife viewing opportunities.



Trailhead:
Miller Creek
Parking Lot

This ride includes some challenging short sections, particularly a somewhat-rocky, steep 0.5 miles downhill section. Riders should have experience on trails with steeper, rocky, off-camber and narrow sections.

OHVs must be 62 inches or less in overall width.

LENGTH: 33 Miles

ROUTE: Miller Creek Parking Lot, CR57, FS215, FS214, FS221, FS211, FS216, FS2216, FS217, FS2200, FS218, FS215, CR56, Miller Creek Parking Lot

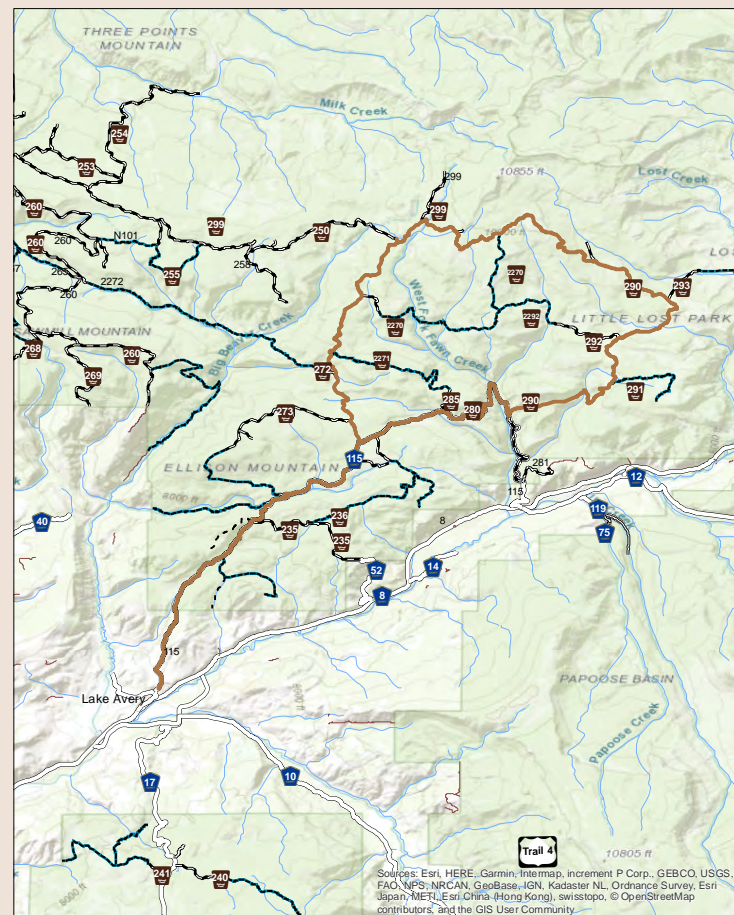
#2 SLEEPY CAT PEAK RIDE

Sleepy Cat Peak is one of Meeker's most recognizable landmarks. Find out for yourself why it bears the name with this beautiful loop beginning at Lake Avery and winding around the base of the mountain before circling back.

Trailhead: Lake
Avery Parking
Lot

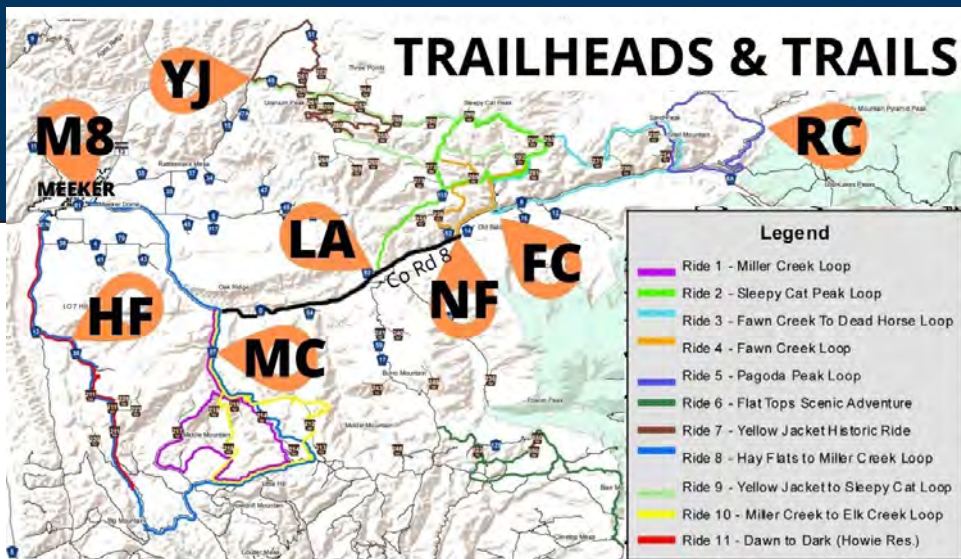
This ride offers short sections of steep, rutted, off-camber and/or very rocky conditions with several small stream crossings. The ride will be on Forest Service 4x4 roads. Experienced riders only.

OHVs must have high ground clearance.



LENGTH: 32 Miles

ROUTE: Lake Avery Parking Lot, CR115, FS250, FS280, FS290, FS250, CR115, Lake Avery Parking Lot



EAST WAGON WHEEL TRAIL SYSTEM



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Don't Forget!

- Trail conditions can change rapidly during and immediately after spring runoff and heavy thunderstorms.
- It is unlawful to gain access to public land by trespassing on private property. Never assume access, always seek permission.
- Our trails are generally open between May 21 and November 22. Please check for the exact dates.
- Some trails have width restrictions so know the width of your vehicle before you plan your ride.

M8 - Meeker west to Co Rd 8 - Cross Hwy 13 at School Street to access the OHV Connector Trail to Co Rd 8

HF - Meeker south to Hay Flats - Take 10th Street south from Meeker to Co Rd 13 to the Hay Flats Trailhead. Parking is available but no amenities.

YJ - Yellow Jacket Pass - Take Hwy 13 north out of Meeker and turn east on Co Rd 15. The trail head is located at the junction of Co Rd 15 and Co Rd 48, where parking is available but no amenities.

MC - Miller Creek - Travel 12 miles on Co Rd 8 east out of Meeker and turn south on Co Rd 57 for one mile to the trailhead and parking area.

LA - Lake Avery - Lake Avery is located 18 miles from Meeker along Co Rd 8. This trailhead, located within the Oak Ridge State Wildlife Area, offers access to camping, restroom facilities, fishing access, picnic areas and plenty of parking.

FC - Fawn Creek - Travel 26.5 miles along Co Rd 8 to Co Rd 115 to Fawn Creek trail head and parking area.

NF - North Fork - Travel 31 miles on Co Rd 8 to FS Road 230. North Fork Camp-ground offers restroom facilities, picnic areas and camping for a fee.

RC - Ripple Creek /Pagoda - Travel 45 miles on Co Rd 8 to FS Road 1804 and the Ripple Creek Trailhead. Trail #1804 is open to vehicles 50" or less and is open from June 21 - August 31. Ripple Creek Overlook offers restroom facilities, picnic areas and limited parking.



DIFFICULTY LEVELS



GREEN (BEGINNER):

A graveled or surfaced road with good sight distance.



BLUE (INTERMEDIATE):

A two track road or trail with natural surface, moderate steep sections with drop-offs, ruts, dust and frequent changes in the riding surface.



BLACK (EXPERT):

A trail or primitive two track road including steep, rough and narrow segments, often with switchbacks.

NOTE: The ratings for these trails are based on subjective comparison of trails **within this system only**. Newcomers are encouraged to begin their riding experience on the Wagon Wheel OHV Trail System with a "beginner" trail. This will establish a base for moving onto an "intermediate" or "expert" trail segment.

Riders assume all risk associated with skill level, trail difficulty, and conditions. The Town of Rangely, Town of Meeker, Rio Blanco County, Meeker Chamber of Commerce, Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce, and Wagon Wheel OHV Club are not responsible for the accuracy of trail designations and classifications.

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IN MEMORY OF ALVIN JONES

The Columbine Spring Trail, made up of U.S. Forest Service trails 2633, 2214, and 2286, was dedicated the Alvin Jones Memorial Trail in 2019. Alvin Jones was an active member and president of the Wagon Wheel OHV Club in Meeker. His lifelong commitment to the outdoors included many outdoor recreation activities as well as his career. Alvin worked diligently in cooperation with other OHV clubs and federal, state and local agencies to improve OHV access and trail systems.



*"Of all the paths you take in life,
make sure a few of them are dirt."*

~ John Muir

WELCOME TO MEEKER, COLORADO!

Welcome to Meeker and the Wagon Wheel OHV Trails! We are excited to share our trails and OHV friendly town with you. While you are here, enjoy all that Meeker and Rio Blanco County have to offer including our historic downtown, parks and events.

Our surrounding public lands offer camping, fishing, biking, and hiking. The Flat Tops Trail Scenic Byway (Co Rd 8) offers spectacular views of the Flat Tops and White River Valley. Visit Meeker during the winter months for some of the best snowmobiling, cross country skiing, and ice fishing.

The Wagon Wheel Trail system has over 250 miles of trails and in this Guide Book are descriptions and maps for suggested day rides and guidelines for riding responsibly and safely.

Ask for our OHV Trails Packet! Download the Wagon Wheel Trail Maps on Avenza.

For additional information and maps visit VisitMeekerColorado.com or contact the Visitor Center at 970.878.5510 or at 710 Market Street.



Happy Trails!



The Wagon Wheel OHV Club advocates and promotes the responsible use of our public lands and natural resources to preserve their beauty and recreational qualities for future generations.

"WW OHV Club works with local governing agencies to help keep trails open, clean and maintained. Please follow guidelines and regulations to help us keep what we have worked to create here in Rio Blanco County. Join us in July for our OHV Poker Run supporting the Alvin Jones memorial scholarship."

~ Dave Murray, President

