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Hiking

Keyser Creek Trail

Length: Approximately 3 miles to Forest Boundary

Elevation: 6,840 to 10,400 feet

Difficulty Level: Moderate

Maps: 1:100,000 Glenwood Springs

USGS: 1:24,000 Storm King, Glenwood Springs,
Carbondale

Use: Low

Recommended Season: Late Spring to Fall

Highlights:

The trail follows the east Canyon Creek and Keyser Creek up to the Flat Tops. This canyon is narrow and has steep sided cliffs. It is forested with spruce/fir and aspens trees. The area offers a beautiful mountain setting with limestone cliffs and forested slopes which provide for outstanding sightseeing opportunities. The scenery is outstanding, and wildlife-watching opportunities are excellent. Use is limited to hiking and horseback riding. The trail is approximately 3 miles to the National Forest Boundary. The trail does continue for about two miles to Blue Lake and beyond that to Monument Lake area.

Warning! *Trail is rocky and steep. Creek crossing may be impassable in the spring.*

Type of use:

Use is limited to hiking and horseback riding. *Motorized vehicles are prohibited.*

Access:

From I-70 take the Canyon Creek Road exit. Travel north about 2 miles and turn right on road up East Canyon Creek. The pavement ends 2 miles up and the road becomes rough and narrow. The trailhead is near the crossing over East Canyon Creek. Access across private land on a narrow easement the first half mile, *please stay on the trail.*

Facilities:

Limited parking (1 or 2 passenger vehicles) along county road.

Trailer parking is at the switchback before the cattle guard approximately 3 miles up the county road.

Maintenance: No regular maintenance. The trail may become difficult to follow.