JIM CREEK



WINTER TRAIL

FYI: The map on the reverse side is for general orientation, not for navigation. **P.S.** Give and get snow and trail updates at www.facebook.com/oriccolorado

Location: Arapaho National Forest

Fraser Valley

South of Winter Park

Contact Info: Sulphur Ranger District

970-887-4100 www.fs.fed.us/r2

Length: .83 miles one-way (est. mileage rounded to the nearest ½ mile)

Time: The average person snowshoes apx.1 mile an hour. Adjust your time +/- based on terrain, snow conditions, wind speed, your skill and fitness levels and whether you are snowshoeing, skiing or hiking.

Elevation Gain/Loss: See trail profile on reverse side

Difficulty: Easy

Activities: Snowshoeing, skiing and hiking (when there's not enough snow)

Season: December through March (Check www.oriconline.org for snow depths and

avalanche conditions)

Dogs permitted: Under owner's control

Permits: None

From Denver: Take I-70 west to Exit 232 near Empire. Get off on this exit and take US Highway 40 West and then North to the Winter Park Ski Area between Mile Markers 232 and 233. The trail starts at the Winter Park Outdoor Center kiosk in the parking lot.

Maps: National Geographic Trails Illustrated # 103 (trailhead is on the westside of the map whereas the majority of the trail is on the eastside of the map). **IMPORTANT:** Stay found with the aid of a topographic map, a compass, a GPS receiver and the skill to use them.

Safety Concerns and Supplemental Info: ■ Gets busy at times ■ Dress appropriately for winter conditions ■ Plan for shorter days in this season

The Trail: From the kiosk follow the Discovery Trail to the right across a boardwalk. Cross under a viaduct and cross a Water Board road. Keep Jim Creek on your left as you follow it upstream. Eventually reach a lovely meadow on your left. Have lunch and return the way you came.

TIP: Contact the Sulphur Ranger District for trail updates and snow conditions.

Highlights: ■ Outstanding views of the James Peak Wilderness and surrounding mountains to the east ■ Excellent beginner trail ■ Wildlife viewing opportunities ■ Gentle elevation gain ■ Meadows and mixed conifer forest

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Jim Creek Winter Trail Final 435000mE. 436000mE 437000mE WGS84 Zone 13S 439000mE. 44 1 6000m Park West Portal Jim Creek Trail #94 44 1 5000m Trailhead Turn Back 435386mE 4414909mN 436607mE 4414785mN 9930 44 14000m N. z 44 1 3000m 44 12000m N Map-created with TOPOLO © 2006 National Ge 435000mE. 436000mE. WGS84 Zone 13S 439000mE. 437000mE. 9400' 9350 9300' 9250' 9200' 0.10 mi. 0.20 mi. 0.30 mi. 0.40 mi. 0.50 mi. 0.60 mi. 0.70 mi. 0.80 mi. 0.90 mi ⊕:0.83 mi., 9392' Gain: +169' -0' = +169' TNŤMN 10° 1.0 miles 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 km 11/02/07