

MERIDIAN TRAIL



WINTER TRAIL

FYI: The map on the reverse side is not intended for navigation, but rather for general orientation.

P.S. More trail maps available at www.oriconline.org

Location: Pike National Forest
North of US Hwy 285
North of Harris Park

Contact Info: South Platte Ranger District
303-275-5610
www.fs.fed.us/r2

Length: 2.89 miles one-way (est. mileage rounded to the nearest ¼ mile)

Time: The average person snowshoes apx. 1 mile an hour, not including breaks. Adjust your time +/- based on terrain, snow conditions, wind speed, your skill and fitness level and whether you are snowshoeing, skiing or hiking.

Elevation Gain/Loss: +1699' -65' = +1634'

Difficulty: Moderate

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

Season: December through April (Check www.oriconline.org for snow depths and avalanche conditions)

Pets permitted: On hand-held leash and under control at all times

Permits: Free use Wilderness Permit available at the trailhead

Maps: National Geographic Trails Illustrated # 104E and Harris Park USGS 7.5 topographic map. **Important:** Stay found with the aid of a topographic map, a compass, a GPS receiver and the skill to use them.

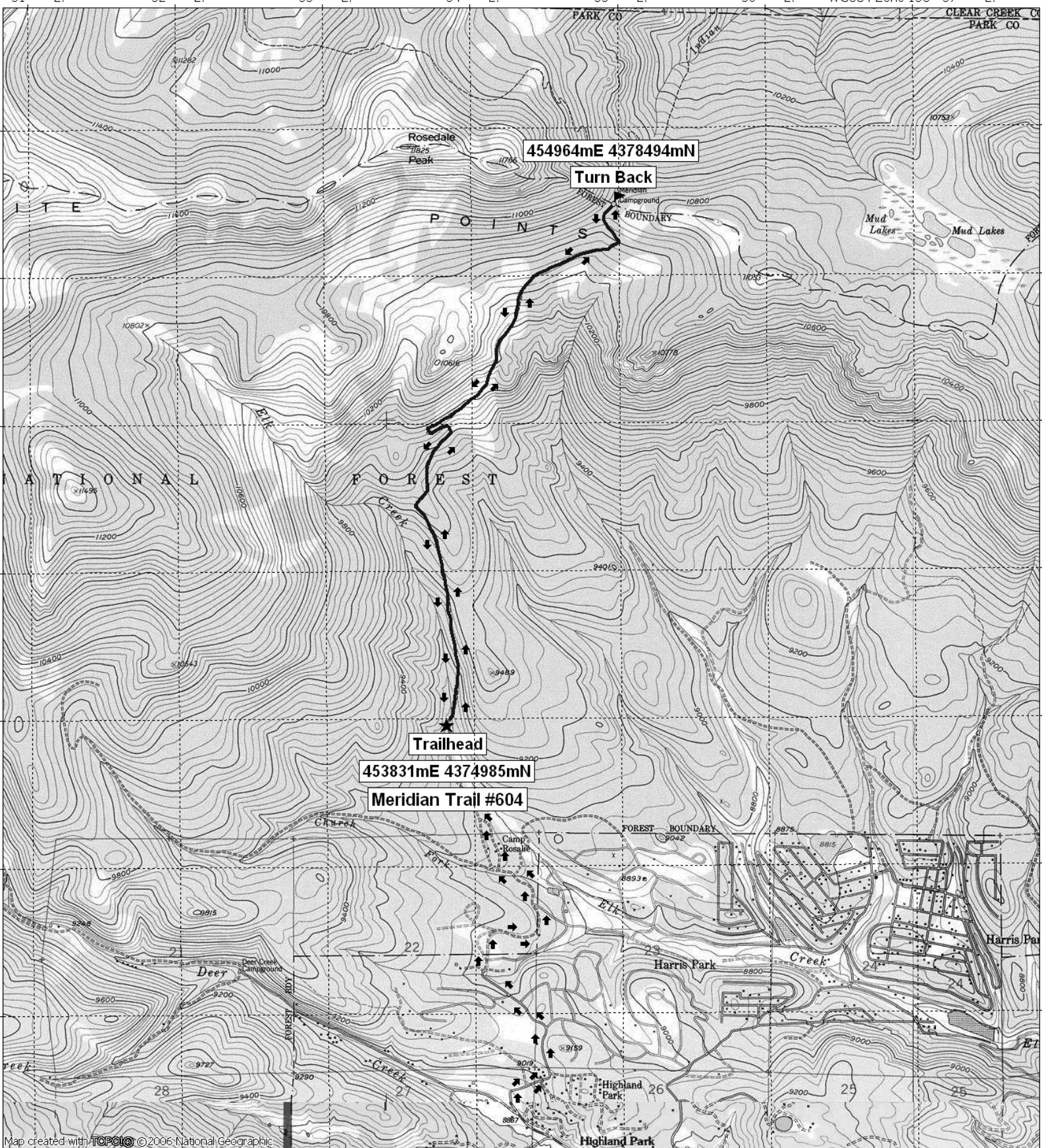
Getting There From Denver: Take U.S. Highway 285 west to Pine Junction. Continue west from Pine Junction for about 4 ½ miles to the turn-off for Deer Creek Road (Park County Road 43A). Turn right onto Park County Road 43A and follow it for approximately 6 ½ miles at which point you will need to branch off to the right to get on Park County Road 47. Get off of Park County Road 47 at Elk Creek Road #102. Follow this road to the trailhead.

Safety Concerns and Supplemental Info: ■ Dress appropriately for winter conditions ■ Plan for shorter days in the Winter months

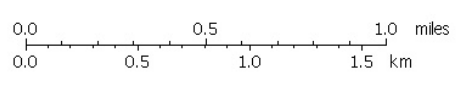
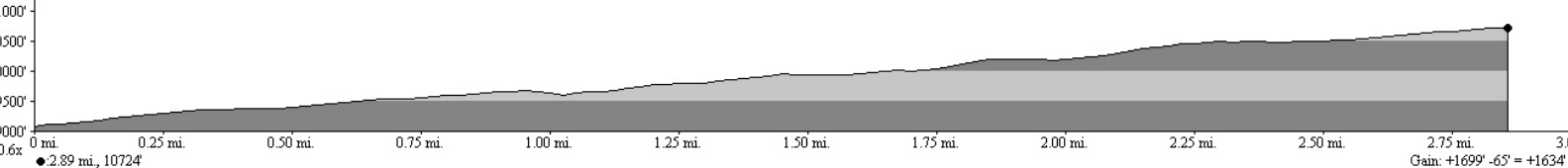
Trail Description: Meridian Trail # 604 begins it's journey by paralleling Elk Creek for about a mile. The trail then skirts an unnamed mountain and continues to the Mount Evans Wilderness Boundary. **Tip:** Contact the South Platte Ranger District for trail updates and snow conditions.

Highlights: ■ Rosedale Peak ■ Pegmatite Points ■ Option to go off trail to the Mud Lakes ■ Proximity to Mt. Evans Wilderness

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