BAKERVILLE TO LOVELAND (BLT)



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

Bakerville Exit 221

Contact Info: Clear Creek Ranger District

303-567-4382 www.fs.fed.us/r2

Length: 4.95 miles one-way (est. mileage rounded to the nearest ¼ 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 level 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: On a hand-held leash not longer than 6 feet

Permits: None

Getting There From Denver: Go west on I-70 to Bakerville (Exit 221). Exit here and park. The Bakerville to Loveland Trail # is to the right of the parking area.

Maps: NG Trails Illustrated Map #104W. **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: ■ Parallels I-70, but never too close to the highway. The area is forested and I-70 is not often visible ■ Dress appropriately for winter conditions ■ Potential AVALANCHE DANGER if you venture north of the highway onto the Herman Gulch Trail #98. It is important to stay on the winter portion of this trail ■ Plan for shorter days in the winter months

Trail Description: The BLT parallels I-70 and Clear Creek. The trail gently ascends from Bakerville to Loveland. Nice Mountain views from all sides. You can shorten this trip and maximize its potential by making it a one-way trip from Loveland Valley (Exit 216) to Bakerville (Exit #221). If you choose this option leave a car at Bakerville (Exit 221) and drive to Loveland Valley (Exit 216) to start the trip. The trailhead is apx. 100 yards from the East Parking Lot. The route to the trailhead starts at the "Road Closed" sign on the eastside of the parking lot. Or you could start at either Loveland Valley or Bakerville, go as far as you like on the trail, and then turn around and head back to your car. **TIP:** Contact the Clear Creek Ranger District for trail updates and snow conditions.

Highlights: ■ Proximity to the frozen waters of Clear Creek ■ Views of Gray's and Torrey's Peaks ■ Well marked trail ■ Gentle grades ■ Good beginner trail

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