



# COLORADO MINES PEAK

## 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](http://www.facebook.com/oriccolorado)

**Location:** Arapaho National Forest  
 Berthoud Pass

**Contact Info:** Sulphur Ranger District  
 970-887-4100  
[www.fs.fed.us/r2](http://www.fs.fed.us/r2)

**Length:** 1.40 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 levels and whether you are snowshoeing, skiing or hiking.

**Elevation Gain/Loss:** See trail profile on reverse side

**Difficulty:** Easy to moderate (follows a jeep service road all the way)

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

**Season:** December through March (Check [www.oriconline.org](http://www.oriconline.org) for snow depths and avalanche conditions)

**Dogs permitted:** Under owner's control

**Permits:** None required

**From Denver:** Take I-70 West to Empire. Get off I-70 at the Empire Exit and take US Highway 40 to Berthoud Pass. The parking lot will be to your right. The trail starts at the South end of the parking lot. Follow the gated service road (closed to vehicles) marked as the Continental Divide Trail to Colorado Mines Peak.

**Maps:** National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map # 103W and or Berthoud Pass 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.

**Safety Concerns and Supplemental Info:** ■ This hike is mostly above timberline. Beware of high winds and whiteout conditions. The area near the top of this trip may be devoid of snow because of the wind ■ Dress appropriately for winter conditions ■ Plan for shorter days in this season

**Trail Description:** Follow a jeep service road (signed as the Continental Divide Trail) up switchbacks, to timberline. The road first heads South and then switchbacks several times toward the communication towers on the peak's summit. **TIP:** Check with the Sulphur Ranger District for trail updates and snow conditions.

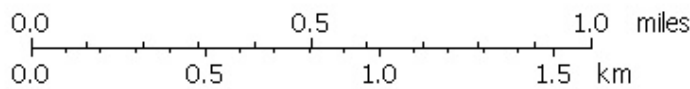
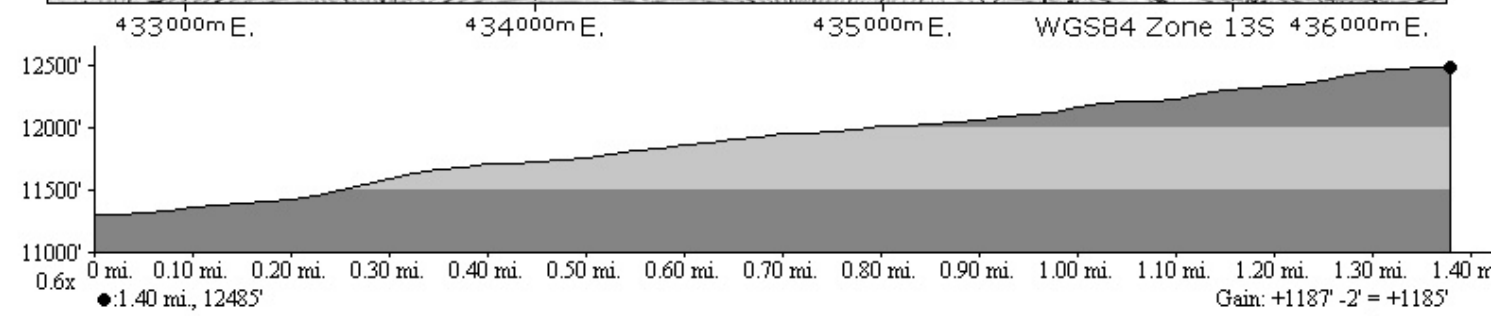
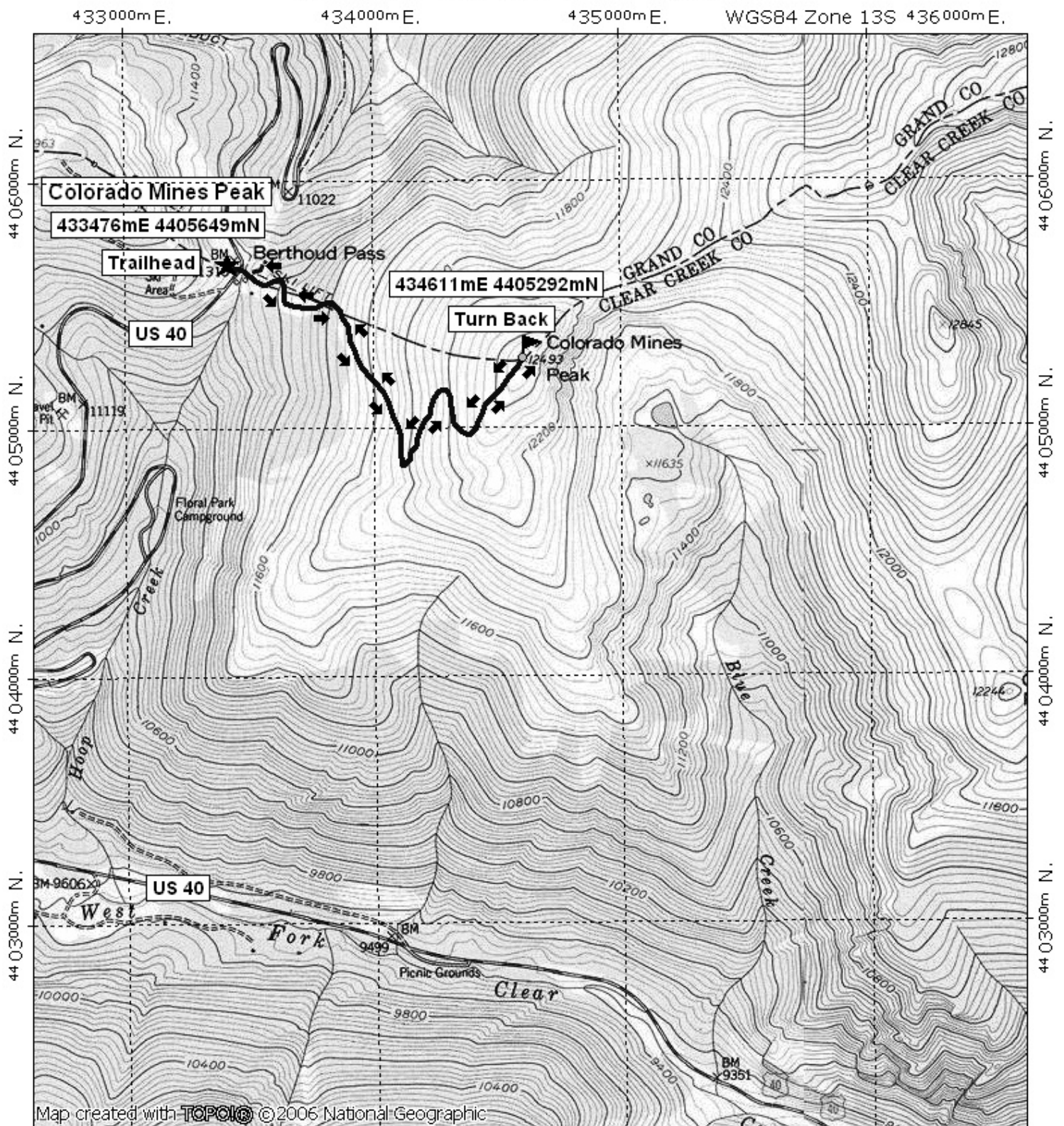
**Highlights:** ■ Easy access ■ Views of many peaks and mountain ranges  
 ■ Special view of the Colorado high country without much pain

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