

## **BOULDER LAKE**

## **BACKPACKING TRIP**

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

Location: Eagles Nest Wilderness

White River National Forest

Contact Info: Dillon Ranger District

970-468-5400 www.fs.fed.us/r2

**Length:** 4.04 miles one-way (estimate using Nat'l Geo Mapping Software)

**Time:** Overnight backpack. The average person hikes apx. 2 miles per hour. Adjust your time +/- based on terrain, trail and weather conditions and your skill and fitness level.

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

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Trail Users:** Hikers, equestrians

Season: June to September

Dogs: On a leash not longer than 6 feet in length

Permits: None

**Getting There from Denver:** Take I-70 west to Silverthorne. Turn right (north) onto State Highway 9. Drive apx. 9 miles to the Boulder Creek Trailhead which will be on the left.

**Maps:** National Geographic Trails Illustrated #108E (top center of map), Latitude 40° Summit County map and or the Willow Lakes 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 Considerations and Supplemental Info: ■ Watch for afternoon thunderstorms and lightening activity ■ Check <u>www.oriconline.org</u> for fire restrictions ■ No campfires within ¼ mile of lake ■ Be prepared for mosquitoes from June through September

**The Trail:** Forest Development Trail (FDT) 46 follows Boulder Creek through the trees to the lake. It is steep at the beginning. Many good backcountry camping sites near the lake. **TIP:** Contact the Dillon Ranger District for trail updates.

**Highlights:** ■ Views of Gore Range are spectacular ■ Good fishing ■ Beautiful lake ■ Groves of Aspen ■ Small ponds along the way ■ Wildflower strewn meadows ■ Good trail for equestrians

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