ROXY ANNE 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: Mount Zirkel Wilderness

Routt National Forest Jackson County

Contact Info: Parks Ranger District

970-723-2700 www.fs.fed.us/r2

Length: 9.5 miles one-way (estimate using Nat'l Geo Mapping Software)

Time: Overnight backpack with options for a longer stay. The average person hikes apx. 2 miles an hour. Adjust your time +/- based on terrain, trail and weather conditions and your skill and fitness level.

Elevation Gain/Loss: See trail profile on reverse side

Difficulty: Moderate

Season: Mid July through September **Trail Users:** Backpackers and Mt. Goats

Dogs: On hand-held leash **Permits:** None required

Getting There From Denver: I-70 west to US Hwy 40 (Exit 232). Take US Hwy 40 to Granby. Just past Granby take CO Hwy 125 to Walden. Turn left (west) on Jackson County Road (JCR) 12W and drive apx. 5.1 miles to JCR 18. Drive apx. 4.4 miles (south then west) to JCR 5. Turn left (south) at this T junction and drive apx. 1.8 miles until it meets JCR 22 (a.k.a. the Rainbow Rd). Turn right (west) and drive apx. 7.2 miles to the Rainbow Lakes trailhead

Maps: National Geographic Trails Illustrated #117E and or the Mount Ethel and Pitchpine Mountain USGS 7.5 topographic maps. **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: ■ Afternoon thunderstorms and lightening ■ Treat water drawn from sources along the trail ■ Stream crossings can be challenging in the Spring and early Summer ■ Check www.oriconline.org for fire restrictions ■ Be prepared for mosquitoes from July thru September

Trail Description: Rainbow Lakes Trail #1130 starts with a gentle climb traversing a north facing slope. At Rainbow Lake follow stream to crossing above Upper Slide Lake. Climb switchbacks to area below the Continental Divide. Take right hand fork onto Roxy Ann Lake Trail #1179 to Roxy Ann Lake. Return the way you came. **TIP:** Contact the Parks Ranger District for trail updates

Highlights: ■ Views of Mount Ethel ■ Heavily glaciated landscape ■ Panoramic Views of the Continental Divide ■ Alpine serenity and solitude ■ Good fishing in the lakes and streams ■ A profusion of wildflowers in July and August ■ A chance to see a variety of wildlife including Mountain Goats and Bighorn Sheep

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