



# ARAPAHO PASS

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

## DAY HIKE

**Location:** Indian Peaks Wilderness  
Arapaho National Forest

**Contact Info:** Boulder Ranger District  
303-541-2500  
[www.fs.fed.us/r2](http://www.fs.fed.us/r2)

**Length:** 3.48 miles one-way (estimate using the Nat'l Geo Mapping Software)

**Time:** The average person hikes approximately 2 miles an hour. Adjust your time +/- based on terrain and weather conditions and your skill and fitness level and whether you are hiking or trail running. GPS drive time is approximately 1:15 from the REI Flagship Store-Denver.

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

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Season:** Mid June through Mid September

**Trail Users:** Hikers

**Dogs:** On hand-held leash at all times

**Permits:** None for day use, but permits are required for overnight camping (June 1 – September 1).

**Getting There from Denver:** From I-25 take CO Highway 6 west. Turn right on CO Highway 119 (later becomes CO Highway 72, a.k.a. the Peak to Peak Highway). Continue north on CO Highway 119/72 to Nederland. Turn left (west) on Boulder County Road 130 when you see the Eldora Ski Resort Sign. Follow this road through the town of Eldora. Continue on this road another 5 miles to the Fourth of July Trailhead.

**Maps:** National Geographic Trails Illustrated map # 102 and Nederland 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.

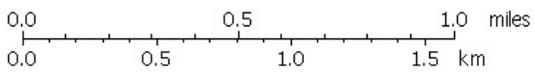
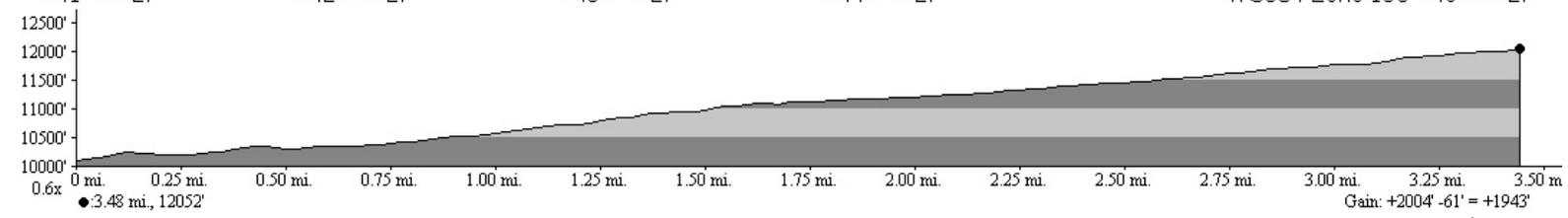
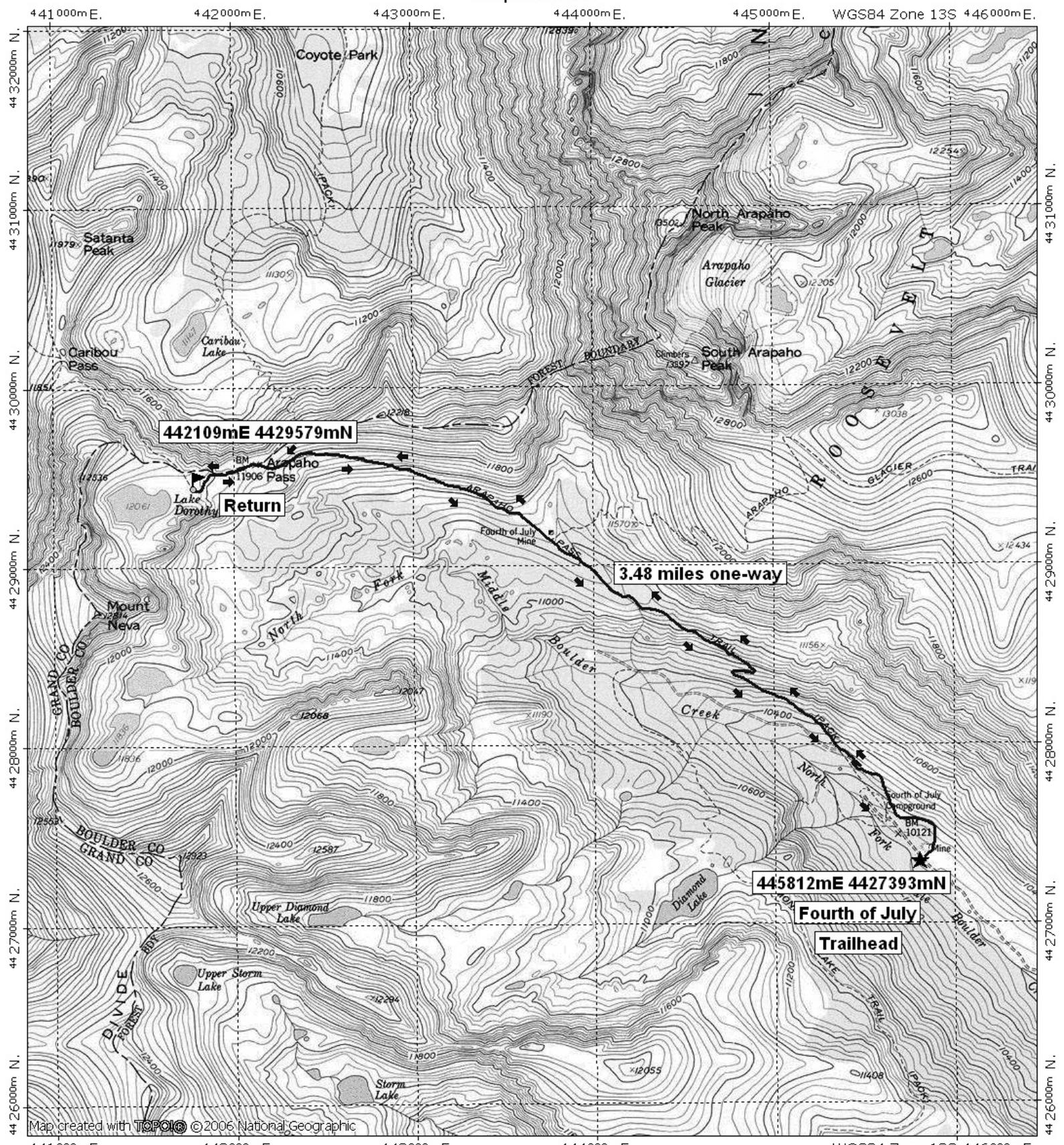
**Safety Considerations and Supplemental Info:** ■ Afternoon thunderstorms and lightning ■ Avoid altitude sickness by taking it slow until your body adjusts to the external environment. It also helps to drink 6 to 8 glasses of water a day. ■ Check [www.oriconline.org](http://www.oriconline.org) for fire restrictions ■ Prepare for mosquitoes from June through Sept ■ The trail is limited to hiking in groups of 12 or less

**Trail Description:** Arapaho Pass Trail #904 is well marked and well maintained. It climbs the wooded northern slope of the North Fork and Middle Boulder Creek drainage into the Indian Peaks Wilderness and to the Fourth of July Mine. The trail then goes west along the ridge to Lake Dorothy. The elevation gain is gradual. **TIP:** Contact the Boulder Ranger District for trail updates.

**Highlights:** ■ The views are spectacular. The wildflowers in late June to mid-July are among the best in the area ■ Fourth of July Mine ■ Lake Dorothy ■ Arapaho Glacier overlook as a side trip



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