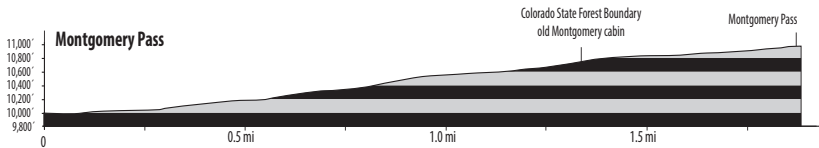


Montgomery Pass 986

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| PRIORITY | LOW (patrol methods: day hike; ride stock) |
| Ratings: | Hikers – Easy to Moderate; Stock riders – Moderate |
| Open For Summer Patrol: | June 29th |
| SPOT/USFS Radio: | REQUIRED (Radio: 02 > 01; Priority 4, Good reception) |
| Wilderness: | None |
| One-Way Length: | 1.9 miles (trailhead to Montgomery Pass) |
| Beginning Elevation: | 10,009 |
| Peak Elevation: | 10,990 |
| Gain/Loss/Net Gain: | 996/15/+981 |
| USFS Regulations: | National Forest |
| Trails Illustrated: | #112 Poudre River, Cameron Pass |
| USGS 7-½' Quadrangle: | Clark Peak |



TRAILHEAD LOCATION

Poudre Canyon; drive 57.4 miles from Ted's Place to the Zimmerman Lake Trailhead parking lot (at mm 66.3). The Montgomery Pass trailhead is across the highway near the lower end of the parking lot. Facilities located at the parking lot.

GPS Coordinates:

trailhead: $N40^{\circ}32.405' W105^{\circ}52.931'$

RNF - CO State Forest boundary:

$N40^{\circ}32.438' W105^{\circ}53.883'$

Montgomery Pass: $N40^{\circ}32.564' W105^{\circ}54.397'$

PATROL DESCRIPTION

This trail begins in the Roosevelt National Forest and enters the Colorado State Forest.

This is a popular trail, because it is short and you can get above timberline quickly. The trail begins in multi-use National Forest. It leaves the Roosevelt National Forest and goes into the Colorado State Forest after a short but steep 1.3 mile hike through a subalpine area supporting large Douglas-fir and Engelmann spruce trees. Wildflowers put on a tremendous display immediately after snow melt and continue through most of the summer. After entering the Colorado State Forest, continue on for another 0.5 mile to Montgomery Pass. The views are spectacular from here in all directions; North Park fans out to the west and you have great views of the Neota Wilderness to the east and southeast. The trail follows an old jeep road that was used to access North Park before the road over Cameron Pass was built. You will notice the remains of an old log cabin on the way up, at the Colorado State Forest boundary (unmarked). Tom Montgomery, a well-known resident of Larimer County, may have built the cabin around 1900.