



Aspen-Sopris Road Conditions Summer 2013

| Paved Roads | CONDITION |
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| Castle Creek | Open. |
| Crystal River, Hwy 133 | Open. |
| Frying Pan River, FS 105 | Open. The Upper Frying Pan Road (USFS 505) is accessible, call BOR for updates at 719-486-2325. |
| Independence Pass, Hwy. 82 | Open. Updates available at 877-315-7623. or www.cotrip.org |
| Kebler Pass | Open. For updates, call CDOT at 970-641-0044. |
| Maroon Creek | The Maroon Bells shuttle bus service has begun. Shuttles run from 9am to 5pm daily. For shuttle tickets & updates call RFTA at 970-925-8484. Vehicle access is possible before 9am & after 5pm, or once shuttle has stopped for the day. |
| Dirt & 4WD Roads | CONDITION |
| Avalanche Creek Road | Open. |
| Basalt Mountain, FS 509 & 524 | All gates open. Expect seasonal conditions on the upper sections of FS 506. |
| Burnt Mountain, FS 506 | Open. Expect seasonal conditions where wet and muddy conditions may exist. |
| Crystal City, FS 314 | CdYb. |
| Capitol Creek | CdYb. |
| Cattle Creek, FS 509 | Open. |
| Cottonwood Pass | Open. For updates call Garfield Road & Bridge at 970-945-1223. |
| Cunningham Creek | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions of pockets of mud in shady areas. |
| Eagle-Thomasville, FS 400 | Clear to through traffic from Eagle to Thomasville. For updates call Sylvan Lakes State Park 328-2021. |
| Express Creek | Dry at lower elevation. Expect seasonal conditions of mud and pockets of snow near Taylor Pass. |
| Four Mile, FS 300 | Open" |
| Hagerman Pass, FS 105 | Road is clear of snow to Lyle & Mormon Lakes trailhead with reports of melting snow on the pass. |
| Hubbard, FS 408 | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions with pockets of muddy in the shady areas. |
| Kobey Park, FS 103 & 508 | Open. Expect seasonal conditions of wet & muddy spots in the shady areas. |
| Lead King Basin Loop Crystal, 314+ Lead King, 315 | CdYb. Expect seasonal conditions throughout the loop" |
| Lincoln Creek, FS 106 | Open. |
| Little Annie Road | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions at higher elevations. |
| Midnight Mine | CdYb. Expect seasonal conditions at higher elevations. |
| Montezuma Road, 102 | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions – snow at higher elevations" |
| North Fork Road | CdYb" |
| Pearl Pass | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions – snow at higher elevations" |
| Prince Creek Road | Open. |
| Red Table, FS 514 | Open. Expect seasonal conditions – patches of snow and mud. |
| Red Rim/Gerbaz Road, FS 534 | Open. |
| Richmond Ridge, FS 123 | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions. |
| Smuggler Mine | CdYb. |
| Summer Road | Open. For updates call Aspen Ski Co at 970-925-1220. |
| Taylor Pass | CdYb" Expect seasonal conditions. |
| Thompson Ck, FS 304/305/306 | Open. Drive with caution because the road is slick & dangerous when wet. . |

*This report is a general description of the broader area; all conditions are subject to change. Remember to always bring a map, compass, and be prepared for the conditions on the roads and trails.



Aspen-Sopris Trail Conditions

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*Conditions are presently not available for all trails. Expect seasonal conditions on all trails.
The snowline is hovering around +10,800 feet in northern facing timber.*

| TRAIL | CONDITION* |
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| American Lake | 7`YUF" |
| Anthracite Pass/Raspberry Loop | Seasonal conditions, wet and muddy down low & melting snow up high. |
| Arbaney-Kittle | Clear. |
| Avalanche Lake | Clear. |
| Braderich Trail | Clear of snow with some mud throughout the trail. |
| Buckskin Pass | 7`YUF, with a melting cornice Uih\ Y`rcd`oZ the pass. |
| Capitol Creek | Clear. |
| Capitol Creek Ditch Tr. | Clear. |
| Carbonate Creek | Clear. |
| Cathedral Lake | 7`YUF" |
| Conundrum Creek | 7`YUF" 6Y`dfYdUFYX`zcf`ghfYUa`V`cgg]b["No dogs allowed past the second crossing 7cnundrum Creek (Silver Dollar Pond). Pack out all trash and human waste. |
| Crater Lake | Clear. |
| Difficult Creek | 7`YUF. |
| Discovery/Braille | Clear. |
| Eagle Lake | Seasonal conditions. |
| East Creek | GYUgcbU`V`bX]h]cbg. |
| East Maroon Creek | 7`YUF; be prepared for high stream crossing. |
| East Snowmass Creek | Seasonal conditions; be prepared for stream crossing. |
| Four Pass Loop | Seasonal conditions. Refrain from having campfires along this busy route and pack out all trash. Creek crossings are knee deep or less. Willow thickets and trees remain on the trail in places. Please pack out all trash, including toilet paper. |
| Fravert Basin | 7`YUF. |
| Frying Pan Lakes | 7`YUF. |
| Geneva Lake | Seasonal conditions. |
| Gift Creek | Seasonal conditions. |
| Government Trail | Open. |
| Granite | Seasonal conditions. |
| Grizzly Lake | Seasonal conditions. |
| Hanging Lake | Clear. |
| Hannon Creek | Seasonal conditions. |
| Hay Park | Clear. |
| Hell Roaring | Seasonal conditiong. |
| Hunter Creek | Clear. |
| Hunter Valley | 7`YUF. |
| Linkins Lake | 7`YUF. |
| Lost Man | 7`YUF" Dease protect the alpine environment & stay on the trail. |
| Lyle/Mormon Lakes | GYUgcbU`V`bX]h]cbg. |
| Maroon Creek Trail | 7`YUF. |
| Maroon Lake Scenic | Clear. |
| Middle Thompson | Seasonal conditions. |
| Midway Pass | GYUgcbU`V`bX]h]cbg. |
| New York Creek | Seasonal conditions. |
| Perham Creek | Clear. |
| Petroleum/Anderson | Seasonal conditions. |
| Placita | Clear of snow and trees for 2 miles. |
| Rio Grande | Clear. |
| Ruedi Overlook | Clear" |
| Savage Lakes | 7`YUF" |
| Sawyer Lake | Seasonal conditions. |



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| Snowmass Lake | Clear" No fires at Snowmass Lake. Pack out all trash. Bury or pack out human waste. Be prepared for stream crossing. |
| South Fork Pass | Seasonal conditions" |
| Sunnyside/Shadyside | Clear" |
| Tabor Creek | Seasonal conditions" |
| Thomas Lakes | Clear" |
| Weller Lake | Clear." |
| West Maroon | Clear" Be prepared for a stream crossing. |
| West Snowmass | Seasonal conditions" |
| Williams Lake | Seasonal conditions" |
| Willow Lake | Seasonal conditions" |
| Woody Creek | Clear" |
| Yule | Seasonal conditions" |

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Seasonal Advisory

- Conditions are presently not available for all road or trails. Expect seasonal conditions on all roads & trails. The snowline is hovering around 10,800 in northern facing timber. Watch out for slick and muddy conditions on all roads this time of year.
- Stream crossing are near flood stage at this time. Be prepared for high stream crossings.
- The White River National Forest Travel Management Plan has been released. For a free map on the existing winter routes, visit the [WRNF Travel Management Website](#).
- Always check the [weather](#) prior to your outing.

Wildlife Advisory

- The bears are awake from hibernation and hungry. Please keep your food & trash secured.
- A food storage order is in effect for all campgrounds & dispersed campsites on the district. All food must be secured & stored in a vehicle or proper bear storage locker.
- **Recent bear activity, encounters, & sightings include – Lincoln Gulch Campground, Lincoln Creek Dispersed campsites, Weller Campground, & Difficult Campground. Be advised that camping in these locations puts you at risk of having a possible negative encounter with a bear. Should you decide to camp in these locations, you are required to follow all proper food storage techniques as pertaining to the Food Storage Order.**
- Bears are opportunistic feeders, they go after the easy food especially if they have gotten used to human foods. To minimize the potential of attracting a bear to your campsite, campers must observe following precautions: 1) when not in use, store your food and cooking equipment in an enclosed vehicle; 2) do not take any food into your tent at any time; 3) leave the clothing worn during food preparation in your vehicle and not in your tent; and 4) do not set your tent up in close proximity to your cooking area. These guidelines apply in any camping situation, but are especially applicable in dispersed camping areas.