Mahan Lake Area Trail System

Mahan Lake Trail – 1831  North Fork Elliot Creek Trail – 1831.1A

Difficulty:  EASY TO MODERATE
Trail Use:  Low
Length:  Mahan Lake Trail – 1.0 mi., North Fork Elliot Creek Trail – 1.2 mi. .
Elevation:  The Mahan Lake Trailhead at 10,960 feet.  The Gore Range Trailhead is at 10,080 feet.  The highest point is at Mahan Lake at 10,880 feet.
Elevation Gain:  800 feet

Open In Winter To:  X-C SKIING, SNOWSHOEING
Open In Summer To:  HIKING, HORSE, MTN. BIKING

Access #1:  Gore Range Trailhead

- From I-70, take Exit 205, Silverthorne / Dillon.  Turn north on Highway 9 and proceed about 27 miles.
- Turn left on the Spring Creek Road (County Road 10).  Proceed about 6.5 miles and bear left at the junction onto Road 1832.
- Proceed about 7.5 miles to the trailhead at the end of the road

Access #2:  Mahan Lake Trailhead

- From I-70, take Exit 205, Silverthorne / Dillon.  Turn north on Highway 9 and proceed about 27 miles.
- Turn left on the Spring Creek Road (County Road 10).  Proceed about 6.5 miles and bear right at the junction with Road 1832 onto Road 23.
- Proceed about 2.5 miles and turn left onto Road 1834.
- Proceed about 2.5 miles and turn left onto Road 1831
- Proceed on a rough 4-wheel drive road for about 2.4 miles to the trailhead at the end of the road

Trail Highlights:

- Mahan Lake is a 12 acre alpine lake with good fishing.
- The Gore Range Trail goes into the Eagles Nest Wilderness and is over 50 miles in length.
- The trails offer views of Elliot’s Ridge and the Gore Range

Important information:

- The last 2.4 miles to the Mahan Lake Trailhead is for high-clearance four-wheel drive vehicles only.
- The Gore Range Trail is closed to mountain bikes beyond the junction with the North Fork Elliot Creek Trail as it enters National Forest wilderness.
- Mountain bikes may only be used on trails marked with a mountain bike symbol.  If there is no sign, it is closed to that use.

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