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680 Blue River Parkway  
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## **MEADOW CREEK - FDT 33**

**Difficulty:** MODERATE TO MORE DIFFICULT

**Trail Use:** Moderate

**Length:** 4.7 miles one-way to Eccles Pass (elevation 11,900 feet)

**Elevation:** Start at 9,157 feet and ends at 11,900 feet (highest point 11,900 feet)

**Elevation Gain:** +2,743 feet - 0 feet = +2,743 feet

**Open To:** HIKING, HORSE, X-C SKIING, SNOWSHOEING

### **Access:**

- From I-70 take Exit 203, Frisco / Breckenridge, and travel to the traffic circle on the north side of I-70. Go around the traffic circle to the gravel road with the US Forest Service sign at the entrance and turn right.
- Follow this frontage road to the end where you will find the parking area and trailhead.

### **Trail Highlights:**

- At the beginning of the trail the grade increases significantly as it passes through aspen stands.
- Approximately 0.6 miles from the trailhead you will come to the intersection with the Lily Pad Trail (FDT 50). This is also a pleasant hike with outstanding views and the lake is approximately 0.7 miles up the trail.
- Pleasant views of Dillon Reservoir and the Upper Blue Valley can be seen from occasional clearings along the Meadow Creek Trail.
- The trail's grade drops slightly as it enters a lodgepole pine forest.
- Near timberline, the trail opens up in a large meadow providing beautiful views of the surrounding area. Once above timberline, look for rock cairns marking the trail.
- Approximately 4.2 miles from the trailhead you will intersect the Gore Range Trail (FDT 60). Bear to the right and continue on toward the summit of Eccles Pass, elevation 11,900 feet.

### **Important Information:**

- **DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES IN THE EAGLES NEST WILDERNESS.**
- **CHECK WITH THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND TRAILHEAD SIGNS FOR RESTRICTIONS THAT APPLY FOR BACKCOUNTRY TRAVEL AND CAMPING THROUGHOUT THE EAGLES NEST WILDERNESS.**

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