

## Forest Rules, Regulations, and Ethics:

National Forest regulations are found under title 36 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 261.

### Dispersed Camping

Camping is allowed unless otherwise posted. Camping is limited to 14 days in one location, then your camp must be moved at least three miles away. Maximum stay is 28 days within a 60 day period. After 28 days, all property and persons camped must leave the Roosevelt National Forest. Use existing campsites to avoid causing new impacts. Bury human waste at least 100 ft away from lakes and streams; pack out toilet paper.

**Campfires:** Do not leave campfires unattended for any period of time. Do not burn logs or other wood that is too large to fit into your fire ring. It is prohibited to cut any standing tree, whether it is live or dead. Campfires must be completely extinguished and **cold to the touch** before you leave. Fire restrictions may be in effect during periods of high fire danger - prevent wildfires by complying with mandatory fire restrictions. While camped on the National Forest, you may gather and burn dead and down wood that you can carry in your arms; or bring firewood from home. Do not put into your fire ring trash or materials that don't burn, or which emit toxic chemicals when burned. Use existing fire rings located away from adjacent or overhanging vegetation. Keep your campfire small - large fires often result in concerned calls to the Sheriff's Department.

**Fireworks:** All fireworks are prohibited on National Forest lands.

### Mountain Bikes

Mountain bikes are permitted on forest numbered roads (FR#) and on forest numbered trails (FT#). They are prohibited in designated Wilderness.

### Motorized Recreation

Improper handling of a recreation vehicle can damage the resources of the public lands. All drivers must assume responsibility for proper vehicle operation within the National Forest. Stay on designated routes as shown on the Boulder Ranger District Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). MVUM maps are available online at <www.staythetrail.org/mvum>. Do not create new routes, challenges, or bypasses. Travel slowly through water crossings. There may be large rocks or pot holes hidden under the water's surface. Avoid spinning tires. Use your skill and your machine's ability to negotiate obstacles. When negotiating an obstacle be aware of the bystanders, wait until they are safely out of the way before continuing. Operable brakes, an approved spark arrester, and/or a muffler are required for all motorized vehicles. State motor vehicle laws (Title 33 and 42, Colorado Revised Statutes) apply to all public roads. In accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations, 4WD vehicles and Off-Highway vehicles may not be driven:

- 1) While the driver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- 2) In violation of state or local law, or any posted special regulation.
- 3) In a manner that creates excessive or unusual noise or smoke.
- 4) Carelessly and without regard for the safety of other people and wildlife.
- 5) In a manner that endangers, or that is likely to endanger, any person or property.
- 6) In a manner creating excessive damage or disturbance of the land, wildlife, or vegetation resources.

**ATVs/Motorcycles:** ATVs and Motorcycles are only permitted on numbered forest roads (FR#) and numbered forest motorized

trails as shown on Boulder Ranger District's Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). All ATVs and dirt bikes operated on public lands in Colorado are required to meet a 96dB(A) sound limit if manufactured on or after 1/1/1998 or 99dB(A) sound limit if manufactured prior to 1/1/1998 measured using the SAE-J-1287 sound test. A Colorado State OHV registration (sticker) is required on all vehicles without valid license plates. Motorized trails in the Lefthand OHV Road and Motorized Trail Network are FT840, 841, 842, 843, 844, and FT838. ATVs and Motorcycles operated between sunset and sunrise must have at least one operating headlight and one red tail light. A USDA Forest Service approved spark arrester is required. Eye protection is also recommended for riders.

**4WD Vehicles:** Vehicles are only permitted on numbered forest roads (FR#) as shown on Boulder Ranger District's Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). Driving off of roads, or using a route not posted with a forest road number or not open to your vehicle type is prohibited. Do not trespass on private property. The Lefthand Main Road (FR286) and Mother Hill (FR286C) are Moderate 4WD roads. Upper Creek (FR286E) Fireman Hill (FR286D) and Castle Gulch Ridge (FR287B) are Difficult 4WD roads. All unlicensed plated 4WD vehicles are required to have an OHV permit (sticker). Travel on wet ground is very destructive to roads and trails in the forest. When the ground is wet, soil is soft and impressionable. Ruts are easily developed from tire motion and repeated use deepens the ruts. As the soil dries out and hardens, the ruts remain and become channels for future runoff. The erosion cycle continues. Do not travel on 4WD roads when the ground is wet.

**Forest Road 286B Closure:** Forest Road 286B has been closed by supervisor's order due to safety issues.

**Restoration Efforts:** The meadow area west and south of the connection of Forest Road 286 and Forest Road 286C is being restored. Other areas in Lefthand are also being restored, like Five Points, Mother Hill, Carnage Canyon, and Fireman Hill. Please help our restoration efforts by not traveling across, or camping on, the restoration areas. Vehicles driving off designated routes will cause considerable damage to the forest and watershed in Lefthand Canyon. Funding for the restoration project came from a Colorado State OHV Trails grant and State Watershed 309 grants. Volunteer efforts came from a wide variety of off-highway vehicle clubs and organizations, Wildlands Restoration Volunteers, and community members from Jamestown.

### Hunting

It is illegal to hunt, chase, pursue, harass, or shoot at wildlife from an ATV, 4WD, snowmobile or other motorized vehicle. It is illegal to shoot across or within 50 feet of the centerline of any state, county or federal road, or within 150 yards of an occupied area. Firearms must be UNLOADED (no bullets in chamber) while driving. Muzzle loaders must not be primed to fire while driving. Physically challenged hunters can get permits from CDOW to hunt from a stationary ATV. ATVs must have a Colorado State OHV registration.

**Shooting Closure:** An area at the entrance of the Lefthand Canyon OHV network has been closed to all shooting by order 10-01-03 signed July 1993. Another area on the north side of the 4.5 mile mark of Lefthand Canyon Drive, CR94, has been closed

by order 10-00-07 signed March 2008. (See map)

**Target Shooting:** You must be at least 150 yards away from any building, residence, campsite, developed recreation site or occupied area when discharging firearms. Do not shoot from or across a forest road or across an adjacent body of water, into or within mines or caves. Damaging government or personal property, or natural features, including trees, or shooting in an unsafe manner or in a manner or place that may cause injury or property damage is prohibited. It is prohibited to target shoot while possessing an open container of an alcoholic beverage. Tracer bullets or other incendiary ammunition are prohibited. It is prohibited to shoot at anything other than targets made of the following: cardboard, paper, manufactured metal targets specifically designed for firearms, or manufactured thrown-type clay pigeons. Pack out all trash, shell casings, targets, and fragments of targets.

### Who Yields?

*When meeting in the opposite directions.....*

4WD to Equestrian - Stop and turn off engine.

ATV/Motorcycle to Equestrian - Stop, turn off engine, remove helmet.

Mtn. Bike to Equestrian - Mtn. Bike yields right of way.

4WD to Mtn. Bike - 4WD yields right of way.

ATV/Motorcycle to Mtn. Bike - ATV/Motorcycle yields right of way.

4WD to ATV/Motorcycle - 4WD yields right of way.

Hikers to others - Hiker yields right of way.

*When overtaking on the 4WD road.....*

The slower mode of recreation / travel should yield to the faster mode of recreation / travel.

*When meeting on the hiking trails.....*

Mtn. Bike/Hiker yield to Equestrian. Mtn. Bike yield to Hiker.

Faster user yields to slower user.

### Leave No Trace

Pick up trash and pack it out, yours and others. Keep pets on a leash to avoid disturbing wildlife. Use a stove for cooking. Camp at least 100 ft. from lakes, streams, and trails. Keep your group small to minimize impact.

### Tread Lightly!

Travel and recreate with minimum impact

Respect the environment and the rights of others

Educate yourself, plan and prepare before you go

Allow for future use of the outdoors

Discover the rewards of responsible recreation

### Pack it in, Pack it out

Take out everything you brought in. Also take out what others have left behind. Make the environment better than you found it. Possessing or leaving garbage in an exposed or unsanitary condition, or failing to remove your trash from the National Forest is prohibited. No Dumping!

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# Lefthand Canyon

## Multiple Use Recreation Area

## Map and Guide



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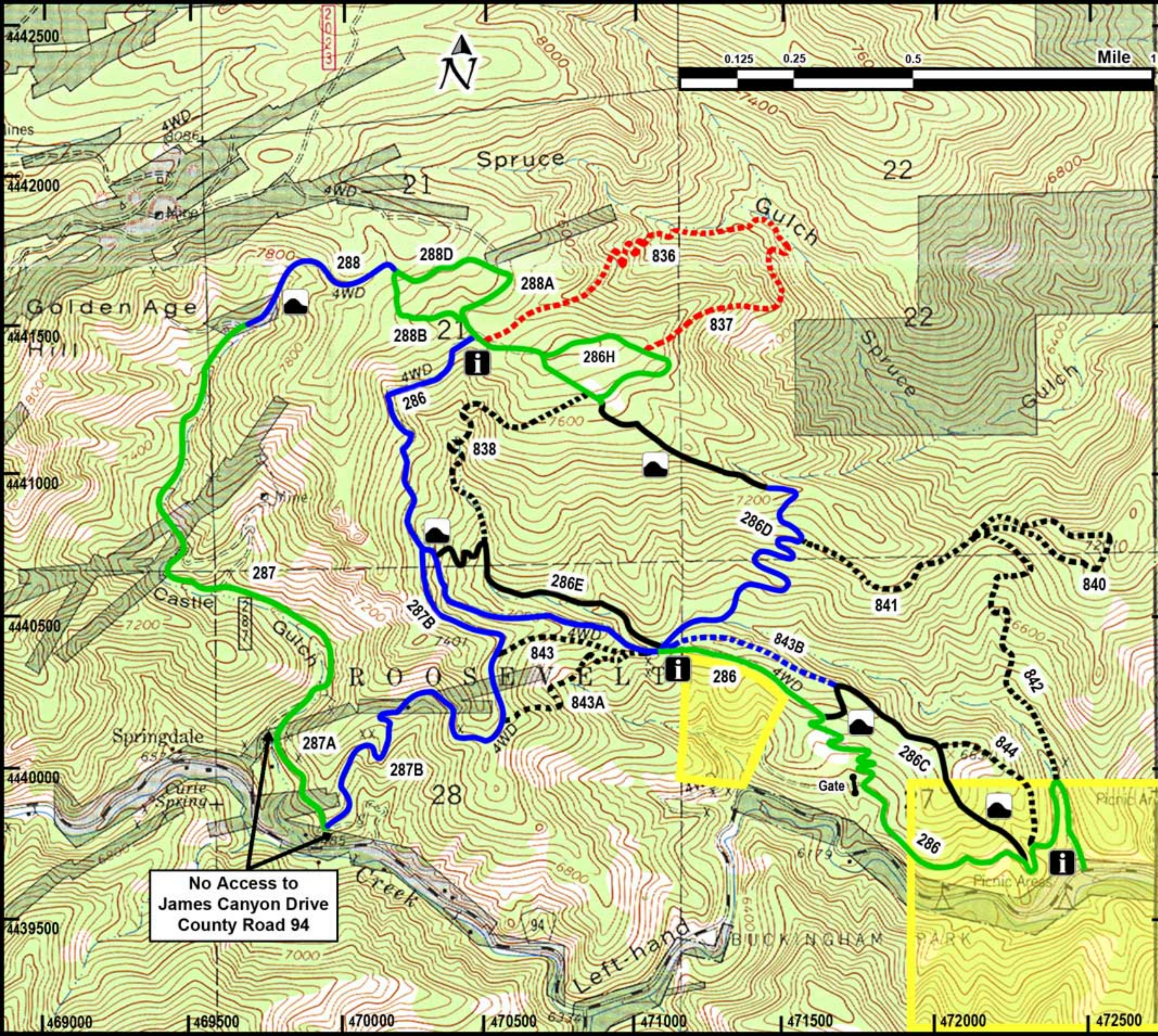
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## OHV Area Roads and Trails

Roosevelt National Forest  
Boulder Ranger District  
303-541-2500 [www.fs.fed.us/r2/arnf](http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/arnf)



### 4WD Roads open to:

- FR286 Lefthand Main
- FR286C Mother Hill
- FR286D Fireman Hill
- FR286E Upper Carnage
- FR286H Fairview View
- FR287 Castle Gulch
- FR287A Castle Gulch Cutoff
- FR287B Castle Gulch Ridge
- FR288 East Golden Age
- FR288A Old Fairview
- FR288B East Golden Age Cutoff
- FR288D Fence Line



### Motorized Trails open to:

- FT836 Spruce Gulch Trail
- FT837 White Rock Trail
- FT838 Cavanaugh's Trail
- FT840 Saddle Trail Loop
- FT841 Saddle Trail West
- FT842 Saddle Trail East
- FT843 Wiltz's Trail
- FT843A Wiltz's Trail Spur
- FT843B Wiltz's Trial Spur
- FT844 Bauman's Ridge Trail

