

NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

PLATTE RIVER WILDERNESS

MEDICINE BOW NATIONAL FOREST, WYOMING

AND

ROUTT NATIONAL FOREST, COLORADO

I hereby certify that the legal description and map herewith represents the location of the boundary of the Platte River Wilderness on the Medicine Bow National Forest and Routt National Forest as entered into the National Wilderness Preservation System by the Wyoming Wilderness Act of 1984, Public Law 98-550.

Signed

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PLATTE RIVER WILDERNESS

Medicine Bow National Forest, Wyoming and
Routt National Forest, Colorado

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Beginning at a summit with an elevation of 8,972 feet, latitude $41^{\circ}08'57''$, longitude $106^{\circ}23'23''$ in the Medicine Bow National Forest, Wyoming;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,960 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 1.2 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,000 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 1.1 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,980 feet;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the southernmost of two summits with a contour elevation of 8,980 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 0.6 mile to the middle summit of three with a contour elevation of 8,900 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,922 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the confluence at 8,630 feet in elevation of Devils Gate Creek and an unnamed, intermittent, northerly-flowing tributary;

thence southerly on the thread of said tributary 0.7 mile to its head in a saddle on the hydrographic divide between Hans Creek and Devils Gate Creek;

thence southerly on said divide and the hydrographic divide between Hans Creek and Douglas Creek downstream from their confluence, 0.9 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,940 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 9,175 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.7 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,993 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,920 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.8 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,580 feet;

thence S 21°30' W 0.6 mile to the thread of the southernmost channel of Douglas Creek;

thence westerly on the thread of said channel 0.3 mile to the confluence with East Walbright Creek;

thence westerly on the thread of said creek 1.2 miles to the confluence at 8,640 feet in elevation with an unnamed, northerly-flowing drainage channel;

thence southerly on the thread of said drainage channel 0.2 mile to an elevation of 8,800 feet;

thence due south less than 0.1 mile to the hydrographic divide between East Walbright Creek and Walbright Creek;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.1 mile to an elevation of 8,800 feet on the thread of an unnamed, intermittent, westerly-flowing tributary joining Walbright Creek at 8,490 feet in elevation;

thence southwesterly on the thread of said tributary 1.0 mile to said confluence;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,800 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 1.1 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,720 feet at latitude 41°03'25", longitude 106°21' 59";

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,720 feet;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,620 feet;

thence due east 0.3 mile to the thread of an unnamed, intermittent, southerly-flowing tributary joining Porter Creek at 7,970 feet in elevation;

thence southerly on the thread of said tributary 1.0 mile to said confluence;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,438 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to an elevation of 8,100 feet on the thread of an unnamed, intermittent, southeasterly-flowing tributary joining Elkhorn Creek at 7,880 feet in elevation;

thence southeasterly on the thread of said tributary 0.5 mile to said confluence;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to the northeasternmost of two summits having contour elevations of 8,200 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,180 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,260 feet;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.6 mile to the northeast corner of Section 23, Township 12 North, Range 80 West, Colorado Sixth Principal Meridian on the boundary between Carbon County, WY and Jackson County, CO and Medicine Bow and Routt National Forests;

thence southerly on the east line of said section entering Jackson County, Colorado and the Routt National Forest 0.5 mile to the southeast corner of said section;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,420 feet;

thence due south 0.4 mile to the thread of an unnamed, westerly-flowing drainage channel joining the North Platte River at latitude $40^{\circ}58'52''$, longitude $106^{\circ}20'47''$;

thence westerly on the thread of said drainage channel 0.4 mile to a point due north of a summit with a contour elevation of 8,000 feet at latitude $40^{\circ}58'49''$ and longitude $106^{\circ}20'34''$;

thence due south less than 0.1 mile to said summit;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to the intersection of the thread of the North Platte River and the south section line of Section 26, Township 12 North, Range 80 West;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,140 feet;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between the North Platte River and an unnamed, intermittent, southeasterly-flowing tributary joining said river at latitude $40^{\circ}58'30''$, longitude $106^{\circ}21'12''$, 0.4 mile to the west line of Section 26 of said township, on the Routt National Forest boundary;

thence northerly on said section line and Forest boundary 1.0 mile to the boundary between Jackson County, Colorado and Carbon County, Wyoming, and the Routt and Medicine Bow National Forests;

thence westerly on said boundary 0.3 mile to a line 100 feet east of and parallel to Forest Development Road (FDR) 494;

thence northwesterly on said offset line, entering Carbon County, Wyoming and Medicine Bow National Forest, 0.1 mile to the west line of Section 23, Township 12 North, Range 80 West;

thence northerly on said section line less than 0.1 mile to the northwest corner of said section;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,138 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,240 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,340 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to the northwest corner of Section 14, Township 12 North, Range 80 West;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,240 feet;

thence westerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to the confluence at elevation 7,890 feet of two branches of an unnamed, intermittent, northeasterly-flowing tributary joining North Platte River at latitude $41^{\circ}01'29''$, longitude $106^{\circ}22'25''$;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,275 feet;

thence westerly in a straight line 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,440 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,368 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.4 mile to the west quarter corner of Section 4 of said township;

thence northerly on the west line of said section 0.4 mile to a point 500 feet south of the northwest corner of said section;

thence due east 500 feet to a point;

thence due north 0.1 mile to the north line of said section;

thence westerly on said section line 0.1 mile to the northwest corner of said section;

thence northerly on the west line of Section 33, Township 13 North, Range 80 West; 1.0 mile to the northwest corner of said section;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.6 mile to the summit of Elkhorn Point (elevation 8,617 feet);

thence due west 0.6 mile to the west line of Section 29 of said township on the Medicine Bow National Forest boundary;

thence northerly on said Forest boundary 1.1 miles to the east quarter corner of Section 19, Township 13 North, Range 80 West;

thence westerly on the east-west centerline of said section 0.9 mile to the line between Ranges 80 and 81 West;

thence northerly on said range line 3.1 miles to the south bank of the North Platte River;

thence easterly on said bank leaving said Forest boundary 0.3 mile to a point due south of the intersection of the east bank of Douglas Creek and the north bank of the North Platte River;

thence due north less than 0.1 mile to said intersection;

thence northeasterly on the east bank of Douglas Creek 1.2 miles to a point opposite the confluence of Sheep Creek and Douglas Creek;

thence northwesterly in a straight line less than 0.1 mile to said confluence;

thence northwesterly and northeasterly on the hydrographic divide separating drainage into Sheep Creek and Douglas Creek downstream from the confluence with Sheep Creek 3.0 miles to the first intersection of a line 200 feet southeast of and parallel to the centerline of FDR 512;

thence northeasterly on said offset line 0.8 mile to the hydrographic divide between two branches that join at elevation 8,520 feet to form an unnamed, northerly-flowing tributary that joins Sheep Creek at elevation 8,180 feet;

thence due south 0.2 mile to a line 200 feet northwest of and parallel to the centerline of FDR 512 R, Sheep Creek Road;

thence southerly on said offset line 0.3 mile to a point bearing N 4°30' W from the point of beginning;

thence S 4°30' E 0.6 mile to the point of beginning;

Containing the following acreages:

Albany County, Wyoming	882 Acres
Carbon County, Wyoming	21,867 Acres
Jackson County, Colorado	743 Acres
Total	23,492 Acres

Acreage figures were computed from the latest approved survey plats and/or protraction diagrams.

Geodetic bearings are used in this description. Elevations refer to 1927 North American Datum. The above described area has been plotted on, and elevations determined from the following U.S. Geological Survey 7-1/2 minute maps (with indicated publication dates), which are attached hereto and made a part hereof:

Overlook Hill, Wyoming	1961
Keystone, Wyoming	1961
Horatio Rock, Wyoming	1961
Northgate, Colorado and Wyoming	1950
Elkhorn Point, Wyoming and Colorado	1961