

NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

COMANCHE PEAK WILDERNESS

ROOSEVELT NATIONAL FOREST

I hereby certify that the description and map herewith, represent the location of the boundary of the Comanche Peak Wilderness on the Roosevelt National Forest as it existed as of the date of Public Law 96-560.

Signed April 22, 1982

  
Regional Forester

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The Exterior Boundary of the Comanche Peak Wilderness, Roosevelt National Forest, Rocky Mountain Region (Region Two), December 22, 1980, as reported to Congress pursuant to Section 104 of the 1980 Wilderness Act, Public Law 96-560.

#### BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado: Beginning in Section 1, Township 6 North, Range 75 West, at the point of intersection of the left bank of the Cache la Poudre River with the left bank of La Poudre Pass Creek, on the northerly boundary line of Rocky Mountain National Park;

thence southwesterly on the left bank of La Poudre Pass Creek and on said Rocky Mountain National Park boundary 1.0 mile to its intersection with the thread of Willow Creek;

thence northerly in a straight line, leaving said Rocky Mountain National Park boundary, 0.2 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,000 feet;

thence northwesterly on the prolongation of a straight line through the northeasternmost of two summits with a contour elevation of 10,040 feet, 0.3 mile to the intersection of a line 400 feet northerly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Big South Trail (No. 944);

thence northwesterly on said line 0.3 mile to the intersection of a line 400 feet easterly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Long Draw Road (No. 156);

thence northwesterly on said line 2.8 miles to its intersection with the thread of a southwestward-flowing drainage in the SE 1/4 of Section 27, Township 7 North, Range 75 West;

thence northeasterly on said thread 0.1 mile to its terminus at the low point of a saddle of a ridge;

thence northeasterly on the thread of an intermittent tributary 0.8 mile to its confluence at elevation 9,660 feet with a tributary joining the Cache la Poudre River at elevation 9,360 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.1 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,800 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.6 mile to the intersection of the north line of Section 26 of said township with a line 400 feet easterly of, and parallel to, the mean high water line of Peterson Lake;

thence northwesterly on said line 0.8 mile to the intersection of a line 400 feet northerly of, and parallel to, the centerline of an access road at the northerly end of said Peterson Lake;

thence westerly on said line 0.3 mile to the intersection of a line 400 feet northerly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Peterson Lake Road (No. 159);

thence westerly on said line 1.0 mile to the intersection of a line 400 feet northerly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Long Draw Road (No. 156);

thence westerly on said line 0.1 mile to its intersection with the prolongation of a straight line between a summit with a contour elevation of 10,240 feet, 0.2 mile north of Trap Lake and a summit with an elevation of 10,472 feet, 0.8 mile north of Trap Lake.

thence northwesterly on said straight line 0.5 mile to the summit with an elevation of 10,472 feet;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,080 feet at latitude  $40^{\circ}34'15''$ , longitude  $105^{\circ}49'24''$ ;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,080 feet, 0.1 mile south of another summit with a contour elevation of 10,080 feet;

thence northerly on the top of a ridge 0.2 mile to a small summit with a contour elevation of 10,040 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.6 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,720 feet, 0.1 mile south of a small mountain lake with elevation of 9,650 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.1 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,680 feet, 0.1 mile northwest of said lake;

thence north  $60^{\circ}$ , east 0.1 mile to its intersection with the top of a ridge descending westerly from a summit with an elevation of 10,013 feet;

thence easterly on the top of said ridge 0.2 mile to said summit;

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Barnes Meadow Reservoir and Cache la Poudre River 0.9 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,240 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,880 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the low point of a saddle with a contour elevation of 9,320 feet on the hydrographic divide between Joe Wright Creek and the Cache la Poudre River;

thence northerly on said divide 1.1 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,634 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.4 mile to a summit with an elevation of 9,401 feet;

thence northeasterly in a series of straight lines 1.0 mile across Big South Trail (No. 944) through points with the following UTM coordinates:

<u>X (meters)</u>	<u>Y (meters)</u>
431,930	4,497,510
431,930	4,497,810
432,050	4,497,900
432,220	4,497,860
432,380	4,497,980
432,720	4,498,070

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,960 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a summit with an elevation of 10,088 feet on the hydrographic divide separating the Cache la Poudre River on one side and Sheep Creek and an unnamed tributary joining the Cache la Poudre River near Sleeping Elephant Campground on the other side;

thence northerly on said divide 1.4 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,940 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 9,574 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.1 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,440 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.1 mile to a summit with an elevation of 9,416 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,640 feet;

thence northeasterly on the hydrographic divide between Cache la Poudre River and said unnamed tributary 0.7 mile to its intersection with the 9,000 foot contour;

thence northeasterly on said contour 1.0 mile to its intersection with the hydrographic divide between Sheep Creek and the Cache la Poudre River;

thence northerly on said divide 0.4 mile to the summit of Elephant Mountain (elevation 9,145 feet);

thence northeasterly in a straight line 2.3 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,146 feet in Section 31, Township 9 North, Range 74 West;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 2.1 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,282 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line across the Zimmerman Trail (No. 940), 0.9 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,550 feet;

thence northeasterly in a straight line 0.7 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,240 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 0.8 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,522 feet;

thence easterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 8,360 feet;

thence southwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Sheep Creek and Black Hollow Creek 1.2 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,543 feet;

thence southeasterly on said divide 1.2 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,907 feet;

thence South 40° West 0.2 mile to its intersection with the thread of a northwesterly flowing intermittent tributary joining Black Hollow Creek at 8,940 feet in elevation;

thence northwesterly on the thread of said tributary 1.2 miles to the confluence with the thread of Black Hollow Creek;

thence southerly on the thread of said creek 0.2 mile to the confluence at elevation 9,020 feet with the thread of an easterly flowing intermittent tributary;

thence westerly on the thread of said tributary 0.5 mile to the confluence of two forks of said intermittent tributary at 9,400 feet in elevation;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,840 feet;

thence North 78° West 0.3 mile to its intersection with the 10,000 foot contour;

thence westerly on said contour 3.2 miles to a point which bears due east from a summit with an elevation of 10,023 feet;

thence due west 0.1 mile to said summit with an elevation of 10,023 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 10,010 feet;

thence southwesterly on the hydrographic divide between an unnamed intermittent tributary (tributary A) joining Sheep Creek at elevation 9,250 feet and an intermittent tributary (tributary B) joining tributary A at elevation 9,540 feet, 0.6 mile to the confluence of tributary A and tributary B;

thence westerly on the thread of tributary A, 0.3 mile to its confluence with Sheep Creek;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to the most easterly point on the mean high water line of a small mountain lake whose outlet stream joins Sheep Creek at elevation 9,050 feet;

thence south 20°, west 0.3 mile to the intersection with the 9,600 foot contour;

thence southerly on said contour across the Zimmerman Trail (940), 1.2 miles to its intersection with the thread of the West Fork of Sheep Creek;

thence southerly on the thread of said creek, 0.7 mile to its confluence at 9,800 feet in elevation with a northeasterly flowing intermittent tributary;

thence southerly and thence southwesterly on the hydrographic divide between said creek and said tributary 1.5 miles to the intersection of a line 400 feet easterly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Zimmerman Trail (No. 940), from whence a summit with an elevation of 10,605 feet bears southwesterly approximately 600 feet;

thence southeasterly on said line 2.0 miles to its intersection with the 11,000 foot contour in Section 6, Township 7 North, Range 74 West;

thence easterly and thence northeasterly on said contour, along the Mummy Range, 4.1 miles to a point which bears south 15° east from the low point in the saddle 0.1 mile northeast of a summit with a contour elevation of 11,120 feet at the end of a ridge extending northeastward from said summit to Crown Point;

thence north 15° west in a straight line 0.1 mile to the low point of said saddle;

thence northeasterly on the top of said ridge 0.6 mile to the middle of three summits on Crown Point with a contour elevation of 11,440 feet;

thence northerly in a straight line 0.1 mile to the northernmost summit on Crown Point with a contour elevation of 11,440 feet;

thence south 85°, east 0.3 mile to the intersection with the west edge of Dadd Gulch Trail (No. 938) near the terminus of Little Beaver Creek;

thence northeasterly on the west edge of said trail 1.5 miles to the meridian passing through the low point of a saddle of a ridge on the southerly side of Crown Point Road (No. 139), 0.4 mile west of a summit with an elevation of 10,466 feet;

thence due south less than 0.1 mile to the south edge of said Dadd Gulch Trail (No. 938);

thence easterly on the south edge of said trail 2.0 miles to its intersection with the thread of a southeasterly flowing intermittent tributary joining Little Beaver Creek at 8,950 feet in elevation;

thence southeasterly on the thread of said tributary 1.3 miles to the intersection of a line 100 feet southerly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Old Flowers Road (No. 152.2);

thence easterly on said line 2.1 miles to its intersection with the north line of Section 27, Township 8 North, Range 73 West;

thence easterly on the section line less than 0.1 mile to its intersection with the thread of the stream flowing in Jacks Gulch;

thence southeasterly on the thread of said stream 2.6 miles to its intersection with the east line of Section 26 of said township;

thence southerly on the section line 1.0 mile to the southeast corner of Section 35 of said township;

thence westerly on the township line 0.5 mile to the north quarter corner of Section 2, Township 7 North, Range 73 West;

thence southerly on the North and South centerline of said section 0.4 mile to its intersection with the thread of Fish Creek;

thence westerly on the thread of said creek 0.2 mile to its intersection with the hydrographic divide at the confluence at 8,230 feet in elevation of Fish Creek and a northerly flowing intermittent tributary;

thence southwesterly on said divide 1.6 miles to a summit with an elevation of 9,142 feet;

thence westerly on the hydrographic divide between Fish Creek and Beaver Creek, 0.8 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,120 feet in Section 9 of said township;

thence westerly in a straight line 1.2 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 9,880 feet;

thence westerly on said hydrographic divide between Fish Creek and Beaver Creek 1.8 miles to a summit with an elevation of 11,002 feet in Section 1, Township 7 North, Range 74 West;

thence southwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Beaver Creek and an unnamed tributary flowing southward into Comanche Reservoir 0.8 mile to its intersection with the 10,200 foot contour;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 0.3 mile to the intersection of the centerline of Beaver Creek Trail (No. 942) and a line 400 feet northerly of, and parallel to, the mean high water line of Comanche Reservoir;

thence southwesterly and thence easterly on said line 0.9 mile to a point which bears due north from the northwest corner of Section 13 of said township;

thence due south less than 0.1 mile to the northwest corner of Section 13;

thence easterly on the section line 0.25 mile to the west sixteenth corner of Sections 12 and 13 of said township;

thence southerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.25 mile to the northwest sixteenth corner of said Section 13;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 10,265 feet;

thence southwesterly in a straight line 1.0 mile to the easternmost of two summits with a contour elevation of 11,320 feet;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 1.0 mile to the point of intersection of the thread of Fall Creek with the west line of Section 30, Township 7 North, Range 73 West;

thence southerly on the section line 0.3 mile to the west quarter corner of said Section 30;

thence easterly on the east and west centerline 0.25 mile to the center west sixteenth corner of said Section 30;

thence northerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.3 mile to the intersection of a line 200 feet southerly of, and parallel to, the centerline of Cirque Road (No. 147);

thence northeasterly on said line 0.5 mile to its intersection with the north line of said Section 30;

thence easterly on the section line 0.5 mile to the northeast corner of said Section 30;

thence southerly on the section line 0.25 mile to the north sixteenth corner of Sections 29 and 30 of said township;

thence easterly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.5 mile to the center north sixteenth corner of said Section 29;

thence northerly on the north and south centerline 0.25 mile to the north quarter corner of said Section 29;

thence easterly on the section line 1.3 miles to the hydrographic divide between the South Fork Cache la Poudre River and Pennock Creek;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 1.0 mile to a summit with an elevation of 9,681 feet;

thence south 55°, east 0.1 mile to its intersection with the thread of a northeasterly flowing intermittent tributary of Pennock Creek flowing northeastwardly from a saddle less than 0.1 mile south of said summit;

thence northeasterly on the thread of said tributary 0.7 mile to the confluence of said tributary and Pennock Creek;

thence due east less than 0.1 mile to its intersection with the north edge of Signal Mountain Trail (No. 928);

thence southeasterly on the north edge of said trail 2.6 miles to its intersection with the hydrographic divide between Pennock Creek and Miller Fork, near the north line of Section 31, Township 7 North, Range 72 West;



thence southerly on said divide 0.8 mile to the summit of Signal Mountain with an elevation of 11,262 feet;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.9 mile to a summit on Bulwark Ridge with an elevation of 10,890 feet;

thence southeasterly on the top of Bulwark Ridge, 2.9 miles to its intersection in Section 16, Township 6 North, Range 72 West with the hydrographic divide between an unnamed intermittent tributary joining the North Fork of the Big Thompson River at 7,800 feet in elevation and said river upstream of the confluence with said tributary;

thence southeasterly on the top of said divide 0.3 mile to its intersection with the east and west centerline of the SE 1/4 of said Section 16;

thence westerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.7 mile to the south sixteenth corner of Sections 16 and 17 of said township;

thence southerly on the section line 0.25 mile to the southwest corner of said Section 16;

thence southeasterly in a straight line 0.5 mile to a summit with an elevation of 8,278 feet;

thence easterly on the hydrographic divide between Dunraven Glade and the North Fork of the Big Thompson River 0.5 mile to its intersection with the east line of Section 21 of said township;

thence southerly on the section line 0.2 mile to its intersection with the top of a southwesterly sloping spur ridge connecting said divide and a summit with a contour elevation of 7,800 feet in the NE 1/4, SE 1/4 of said section;

thence southwesterly on the top of said spur ridge 0.1 mile to said summit;

thence southerly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 7,840 feet on the southerly side of said North Fork of the Big Thompson River;

thence southeasterly on the top of a ridge connecting said summit with a summit near the southeast corner of Section 21 with a contour elevation of 7,720 feet, 0.2 mile to its intersection with the east line of Section 21;

thence southerly on the section line 0.5 mile to the east quarter corner of Section 28 of said township;

thence westerly on the east and west centerline 0.25 mile to the center east sixteenth corner of said Section 28;

thence northerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.25 mile to the northeast sixteenth corner of said Section 28;

thence westerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.25 mile to the center north sixteenth corner of said Section 28;

thence southerly on the north and south centerline 0.25 mile to the center quarter corner of said Section 28;

thence westerly on the east and west centerline 0.5 mile to the west quarter corner of said Section 28;

thence southerly on the section line 0.75 mile to the north sixteenth corner of Sections 32 and 33 of said township;

thence westerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.25 mile to the northeast sixteenth corner of said Section 32;

thence southerly on the subdivision-of-section line 0.25 mile to the center east sixteenth corner of said Section 32;

thence westerly on the east and west centerline 0.75 mile to the west quarter corner of said Section 32;

thence southerly on the section line 0.75 mile to the north sixteenth corner of Sections 5 and 6, Township 5 North, Range 72 West, on the boundary line of Rocky Mountain National Park;

thence westerly on the subdivision-of-section line and on said Rocky Mountain National Park boundary 1.0 mile to the north sixteenth corner of Sections 1 and 6 on the west boundary of said township;

thence northerly on the range line 0.25 mile to the northwest corner of said Section 6;

thence northerly on the range line on the west boundary of Township 6 North, Range 72 West, 6.0 miles to the northwest corner of said township on South Signal Mountain;

thence southwesterly in a straight line less than 0.1 mile to the summit of said South Signal Mountain with an elevation of 11,248 feet;

thence southwesterly and thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Pennock Creek and the North Fork of the Big Thompson River 4.4 miles to the westerly summit of the Stormy Peaks (elevation 12,148 feet);

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide between Pennock Creek and the South Fork of the Cache la Poudre River 0.6 mile to a summit with an elevation of 11,838 feet;

thence northwesterly on the hydrographic divide separating drainage into the east side of said river upstream and downstream elevation 9,340 feet\*, 1.7 miles to the summit of a rock outcrop at elevation 9,440 feet\* on the easterly side of the South Fork of the Cache la Poudre River, in Section 30, Township 7 North, Range 73 West;

\*Elevations determined by photogrammetric methods using 1:15840 scale aerial photography and control from USGS 7-1/2 minute quad maps.

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.1 mile to the summit of a rock outcrop at elevation 9,410 feet\* on the westerly side of said South Fork of the Cache la Poudre River;

thence westerly on the hydrographic divide separating drainage into the west side of said river upstream and downstream of elevation 9,340 feet\* and passing through said outcrop, 0.7 mile to a point due east of a point at elevation 10,920 feet\* on the top of the principal ridge running northeastward from a summit with an elevation of 11,445 feet near the west line of Section 31 of said township;

thence due west 0.1 mile to said point on said ridge;

thence southwesterly on the top of said ridge 0.6 mile to said summit;

thence westerly on the hydrographic divide between the South Fork of the Cache la Poudre River and an unnamed tributary joining said river at elevation 9,280 feet, 0.4 mile to a summit with a contour elevation of 11,480 feet, 0.1 mile east of the center of section 36, Township 7 North, Range 74 West;

thence northwesterly in a straight line 0.2 mile to a point at elevation 11,440 feet on the hydrographic divide between Fall Creek and an unnamed tributary joining South Fork Cache la Poudre River at elevation 9,280 feet;

thence westerly along said divide and the hydrographic divide between Fall Creek and South Fork Cache la Poudre River, 1.0 mile to the summit of Fall Mountain (elevation 12,258 feet);

thence due north less than 0.1 mile to the rim of a cliff overlooking the headwaters of Fall Creek;

thence northwesterly on said rim 1.7 miles to a point which bears south 60° east from the southwesternmost of three summits of Comanche Peak (contour elevation 12,680 feet);

thence north 60° west less than 0.1 mile to said summit;

thence westerly on the hydrographic divide between Beaver and Willow Creeks on one side and Cascade Creek on the other side 1.8 miles to a summit with an elevation of 12,217 feet in Section 28, Township 7 North, Range 74 West;

thence westerly on the hydrographic divide between Willow Creek and Cascade Creek 2.7 miles to a summit with a contour elevation of 10,120 feet, 0.2 mile westerly of the northeast corner of Section 36, Township 7 North, Range 75 West;

thence south 34° 30' west 0.3 mile to the intersection with the left bank of the Cache la Poudre River in said Section 36;

thence southerly on the left bank of said river 0.9 mile to the point of beginning.

\*Elevations determined by photogrammetric methods using 1:15840 scale aerial photography and control from USFS 7-1/2 minute quad maps.

Containing the following acreages:

Larimer County    66,644    acres

                    Total    66,644    acres

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

Elevations refer to 1927 North American Datum. The above described area has been plotted on and, except as noted, elevations determined from the following 7-1/2' U.S. Geological Survey Maps (with indicated publication dates), which are attached hereto and made a part hereof:

Boston Peak, Colorado	1962
Chambers Lake, Colorado	1962 (photo-revised 1977)
Comanche Peak, Colorado	1962
Crystal Mountain, Colorado	1962
Estes Park, Colorado	1961
Glen Haven, Colorado	1962
Kinikini, Colorado	1962
Pingree Park, Colorado	1962
Rustic, Colorado	1962