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 THUNDER BASIN NATIONAL GRASSLAND  
 HAHNS PEAK-BEARS EARS RANGER DISTRICT

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|  | <p><b><u>TRAIL NAME:</u> #1158 HAHNS PEAK</b></p>   |
| <p><b><u>TRAIL BEGINNING:</u></b> 9369' elevation (2856m) at trailhead.</p> <p><b><u>TRAIL ENDING:</u></b> 10,839' elevation (3304m) at the Hahns Peak lookout tower.</p>  | <p><b><u>LENGTH:</u></b> 1.4 mi (2.3km)</p> <p><b><u>RECOMMENDED SEASON:</u></b><br/>                 Spring   Summer   Fall</p>              |
| <p><b><u>ACCESS:</u></b> Drive west out of Steamboat Springs for 2 miles and turn right on Elk River Road (CR 129). Drive 29 miles to the old settlement of Columbine. With the General Store on your left, turn right onto the dirt jeep road, NFSR 490. At this point, private property needs to be respected. Drive 1.8 miles down NFSR 490 and it will fork; turn left. After 0.2 miles it forks again. Turn left and park.</p>  | <p><b><u>USE:</u></b> Moderate</p> <p><b><u>DIFFICULTY:</u></b> Moderate to Difficult.</p> <p><b><u>USGS MAP(S):</u></b> Hahns Peak Quad.</p> |
| <p><b><u>ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS:</u></b> Views of Hahns Peak's 10,839 foot summit make a drive to the Steamboat Lake area rewarding. The summit is an easier hike than it would first appear. You'll be treated to spectacular 360<sup>o</sup> views of the Routt National Forest and the Mount Zirkel Wilderness Area, as well as north all the way into Wyoming. You can also explore boulder fields and discover a great variety of wildflowers/berries. Please respect the trail. It actually is private property. <b>NOTE: Start the hike early in the morning to avoid afternoon electrical storms, and avoid the top at all costs if storm clouds move into the area or if you see lightning even in the distance.</b></p>  |   |
| <p><b><u>NARRATIVE:</u></b> You will notice that the trail is an old jeep trail. Once the user has begun the hike, the trail will shortly split; one trail heading left and downward, the other to the right (straight) and elevating. Turn right at this junction. After traveling a short distance, on the right a hiking trail veers off of the jeep road. This is the #1158 trail that will take the user to the top of Hahns Peak. Once through the forested area, the trail consists of loose, volcanic rock. Be careful not to slip or send rocks tumbling downhill. At the peak sits an old fire lookout tower, having been constructed in 1912 and reconstructed in 1942. It has not officially been used since the 1950's and it is listed on the Colorado Inventory of Historical Places.</p> |   |

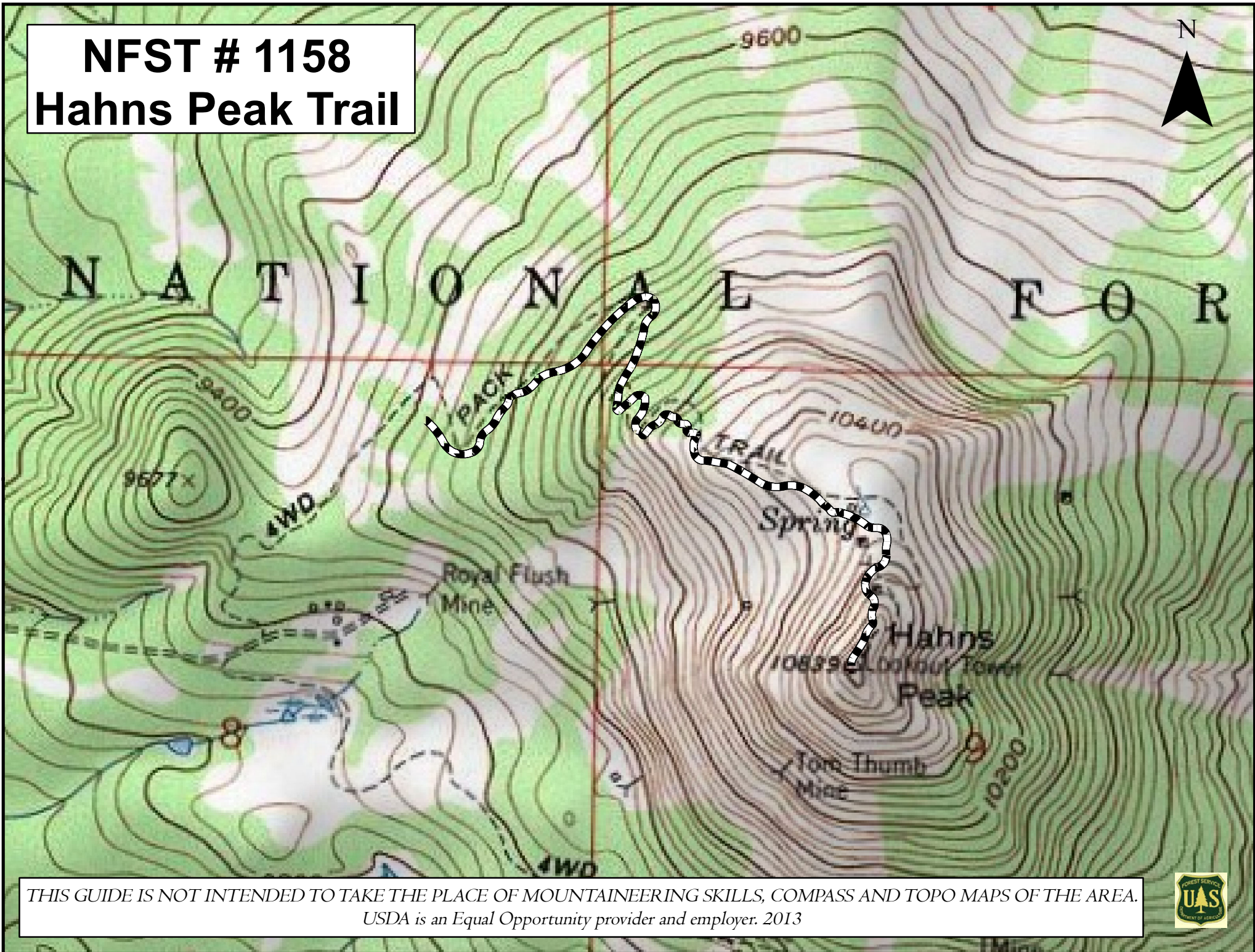
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# NFST # 1158 Hahns Peak Trail



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