

REGULATIONS TO HELP US SERVE YOU

These open spaces are managed for their diverse habitats and the wildlife they support. Regulations are enforced to protect you and the natural resources of the open spaces.

- ▶ Please **leave your dog** at home. This is a dog-free open space.
- ▶ **Share the trail** - foot travel, non-motorized bikes, and horses are welcome on designated trails.
- ▶ Please **pack out** all trash.
- ▶ Please **do not remove rocks, plants or other natural materials**.
- ▶ **Do not collect cultural artifacts**.
- ▶ **Prevent trail conflict** – Bikers yield to Hikers and Horses; Hikers yield to Horses.



TIPS

- ▶ Red Mountain Open Space is rugged and remote - always carefully prepare for your experience.
- ▶ Carry plenty of water and extra food.
- ▶ Watch the weather closely - fast-moving thunderstorms and high winds are common.



Larimer County's Open Lands Program is funded by a ¼-cent, Help Preserve Open Spaces sales tax. This tax started in 1995 following a citizens' initiative to acquire and manage open spaces. The Program works with willing landowners to preserve and protect properties through fee simple and conservation easement transactions. The future of OUR open spaces is up to you! Being a good steward of the land and shopping locally are a few ways you can help.

RESPECT THE PAST

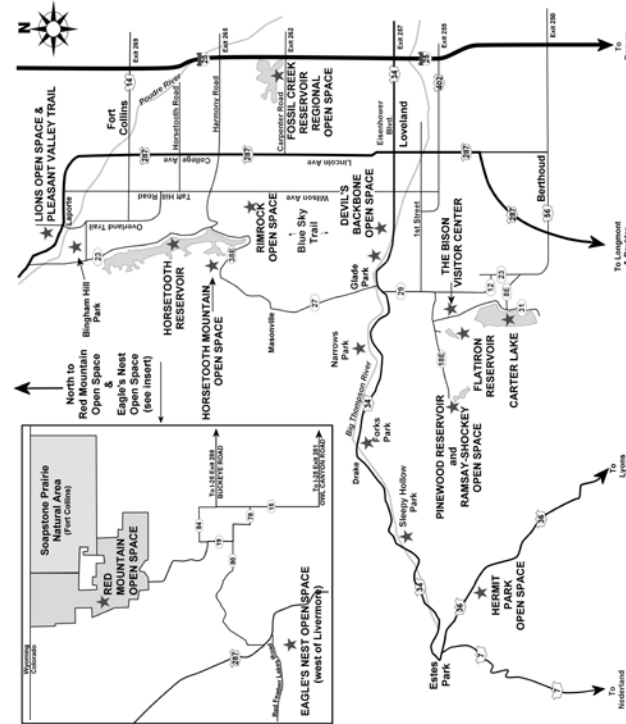
You should never touch the artifacts left on this landscape by Native Americans and their ancient forbearers.

Native peoples with ties to this area believe that the individuals who made the artifacts still use them, and collecting disrupts the connections between past peoples and the land.

Moving an artifact also means a significant amount of scientific information is lost. If you find an artifact take a photo, mark it on the map, or take GPS coordinates and contact the Department of Natural Resources at (970) 679-4570.

To adopt a trail, call (970) 679-4552

- ### LARIMER COUNTY'S PARKS AND OPEN SPACES
- Bingham Hill Park
 - Big Thompson Parks
 - Carter Lake
 - Devil's Backbone Open Space
 - Eagle's Nest Open Space
 - Flatiron Reservoir
 - Fossil Creek Reservoir Regional Open Space
 - Hermit Park Open Space
 - Horseshoe Mountain Open Space
 - Horseshoe Reservoir
 - Lions' Open Space and Pleasant Valley Trail
 - Pinewood Reservoir
 - Ramsay-Shockey Open Space
 - Red Mountain Open Space
 - Rimrock Open Space
 - Soderberg Open Space



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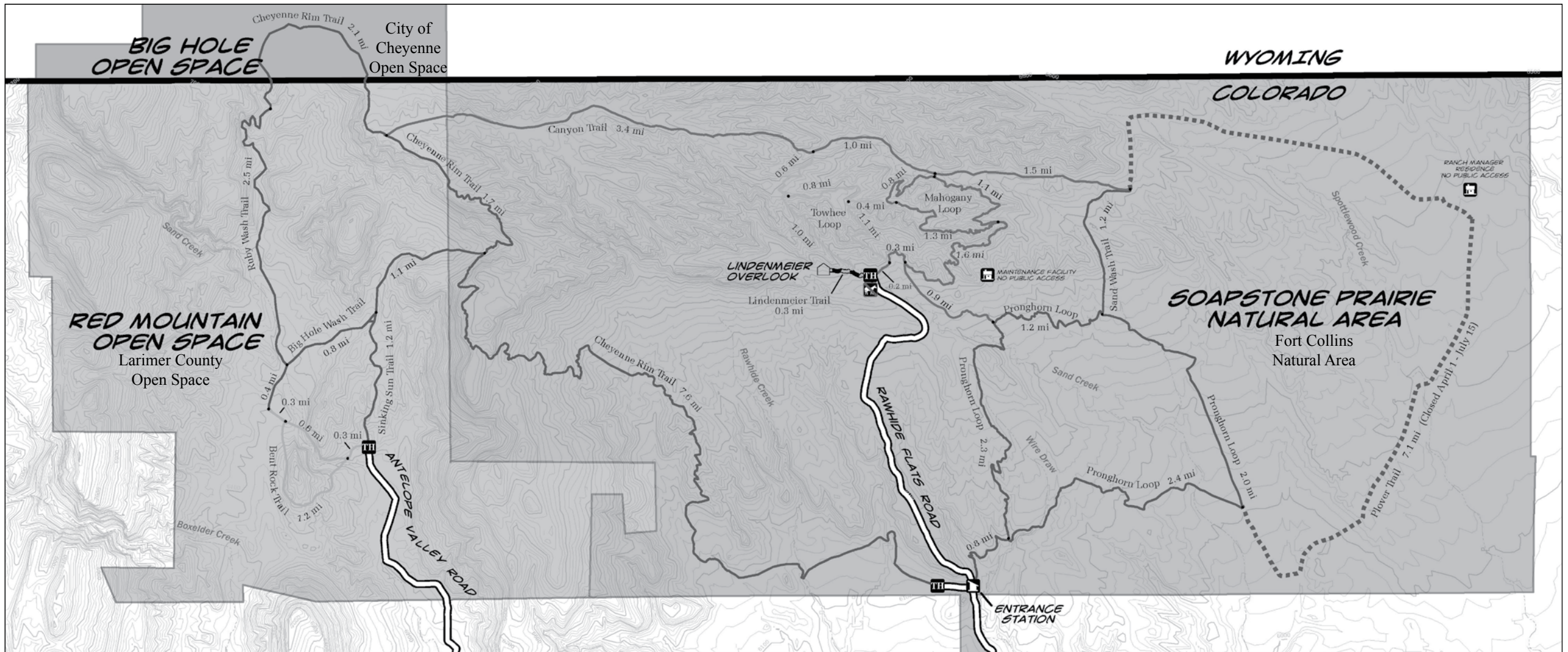
RED MOUNTAIN OPEN SPACE



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*Welcome to Larimer County's
Parks and Open Spaces!*



Red Mountain Open Space (RMOS) is a recreational paradise and home to many natural and cultural wonders. The property lies along the boundary between the mountains and the plains, and provides habitat to plants and wildlife from both life zones. In addition to high biological diversity, this landscape has seen human occupation for tens of thousands of years. Perhaps the most striking feature of RMOS is the “Big Hole,” a geologic phenomenon where the history of the earth is written across each formation, now visible, due to millions of years of uplift, folding, and erosion.

RED MOUNTAIN OPEN SPACE TRAILS:

All trails are multi-use unless otherwise indicated:

Bent Rock Trail (hiking only)	2.3 mi.	Hike rating: easy
Sinking Sun Trail	1.2 mi.	Hike rating: easy
Big Hole Wash Trail*	2.8 mi.	Hike rating: easy
Ruby Wash Trail	2.5 mi.	Hike rating: easy
Cheyenne Rim Trail*	3.6 mi.	Hike rating: moderate to difficult

*connects to Soapstone Prairie Natural Area