Chicken Creek LeD

Type: Leisure Division ONLY
Saturday and Sunday
July 27 – 28
Mancos, Co Rider limit: 60

*We are working on getting this ride set up and approved *

Mancos is a beautiful place to ride any time of the year. You will travel through miles of mountain meadows, spruce stands, and aspen groves. Wildlife abounds in this part of the La Plata Mountains. You may catch sight of elk, deer, marmot, wild turkey, and grouse.

If you are wanting to enjoy the experience of the Chicken Creek Trails but ride LeD only this is your chance! We are setting up a LeD weekend this year! More details to come so keep an eye on the NATRC Region 3 website and Facebook page.

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP: The base camp is located north of Mancos, CO. Mancos is on Hwy 160 is located between Durango and Cortez. From Hwy 160 in Mancos, turn north at the only stoplight in town onto Hwy 184 (the road to Dolores). Follow 184 north for approximately one-half mile - the turn eastward (right) onto Co. Rd. 42 that accesses Mancos State Park at Jackson Gulch Reservoir. From the turn onto Co. Rd. 42 follow the road for approximately 7.6 miles to the campsite (on the left) at Rd. 416. (Co. Rd 42 becomes Rd. 561 as you enter the National Forest). The road is now paved all the way to the campsite.

Larger rigs might want to consider driving past the campsite an additional 2.4 miles and turning around at the Upper Chicken Creek Trailhead to better accommodate turning onto the campsite road. Individuals can assess the turn off the main road into camp and make an individual decision.

CAMPING: The base camp is at 9000 feet. Horse water is available from Chicken Creek or if not, management will provide. Nights will be chilly, so bring blankets for your horse.

Certified weed free hay is required by Forest Service

TRAILS: Trail elevation is between 8,000 and 10,600 feet with plenty of water on the trails. Trails can be rocky, so hoof protection for your horse is highly recommended.

RULES: This ride will be conducted under current NATRC rules. Colorado State Law requires that out-of-state horses have current negative Coggins and Health papers.

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