



RIO GRANDE TRAIL

ASPEN ↔ GLENWOOD SPRINGS
42 Miles of Continuous Multi-use Trail

Glenwood Springs

Milemarker 0 to 6.8

← To New Castle

To Eagle →

Midland Trail
West Glenwood Park & Ride
Two Rivers Park
Courthouse
14th Street Pedestrian Bridge
Rosebud Cemetery
Buffalo Valley
3 Mile Rd
9th Street
27th St. Park & Ride

Glenwood Springs

Milemarker 6.8 to 12.0

14th Street Pedestrian Bridge
Rosebud Cemetery
Buffalo Valley
3 Mile Rd
9th Street
27th St. Park & Ride
1.5
2.6
6.8
8.0
12.0
Glenwood Canyon Bike Path
Colorado River
Glenwood Springs Maintenance of the Rio Grande Trail
Class 1 & 2 E-Bikes Only
RFTA Maintenance of the Rio Grande Trail
Class 1 & 2 E-Bikes Only
Garfield County
Eagle County
Missouri Heights
Spring Creek Reservoir
Catherine Store
Catherine Bridge
El Jebel/Willits
Basalt
Basalt Park & Ride
Willits Station
Emma Trail
Rock Bottom Ranch
Buckhorn Trail Access
Glassier Trail Access
Seasonal Closure & Detour
November 30 to April 30
To help protect wildlife habitat, **no dogs** are permitted at any time between Catherine Bridge Trailhead & Rock Bottom Ranch.
Garfield County
Eagle County
Pitkin County
Crystal Valley Trail
Crystal River
Prince Creek
Prince Creek Rd
KOA Campground
To Redstone & McClure Pass

El Jebel - Willits

Milemarker 16.0 to 20.5

Catherine Store Rd.
Seasonal Detour
Upper Gable Creek
Frontage Rd
Valley Rd.
El Jebel
Willits
Hooks Lane Bridge
Hooks Ln
Glassier Open Space & Trails
Access to Buckhorn & Prince Creek

Woody Creek - Aspen

Milemarker 32.0 to 42.0

Woody Creek
Woody Creek Rd
Woody Creek
Jaffee Park Spur
Aspen Snowmass Trail
Brush Creek Park & Ride
Buttermilk Station
Stein Park
Aspen Airport Station
Cemetery Lane Trail
Maroon Creek Roundabout
Rubey Park Transit Center
Aspen Post Office
Herron Park/Neale St.
John Denver Sanctuary
To Independence Pass →

Legend

- Rio Grande Trail
- 0.0 - Mile Markers (approximate)
- P - Parking
- Bus icon - Bike Bus Stops
- Wrench icon - Fix-it Bike Repair Station
- Rest icon - Rest Area
- Restroom icon - Restrooms
- Water tap icon - Potable Water (At Basalt High School only)
- Highway icon - State Highway
- County Road icon - County Road

Carbondale

Milemarker 12.0 to 16.0

Red Hill Trails
Satank Bridge
Dirt Pump Track
Carbondale Park & Ride
Dolores Way
ARTway De Rail Park
Dirt Pump Track
Colorado Ave.
Main St.
Snowmass Dr.
3rd St.
2nd St.
Catherine Store Rd.
Catherine Bridge
To Missouri Heights & Cattle Creek

Basalt - Old Snowmass

Milemarker 20.5 to 26.5

Emma/Basalt Trail
Two Rivers Road
Frying Pan Rd.
Downtown Basalt
Basalt High School
South Side Dr.
Basalt/Old Snowmass Trail
Lazy Glenn Open Space
Tressel Bridge
Arciero Trailhead
Old Snowmass

Basalt - Aspen

Milemarker 26.5 to 42.0

20.5
23.5
25.0
26.5
28.5
30.0
32.0
34.0
36.0
38.0
40.0
42.0
Pitkin County Maintenance of the Rio Grande Trail
Class 1 E-Bikes Only
To Ruedi Reservoir
Eagle County
Pitkin County
Fryingpan River
Basalt-Old Snowmass Trail
Arciero Trailhead
Capitol Creek Rd
Snowmass
Gerbaz Way
Pitkin Iron
Woody Creek
Aspen Mass Trail
Aspen Village
Aspen-Mass Trail
Town Park Station/Rodeo Lot
Brush Creek Trail
Rim Trail
Dwive Rd
Base Village
Snowmass Mall
Aspen Airport Station
Cemetery Lane Trail
Maroon Creek Roundabout
Jaffee Park Spur
Sky Mtn. Park
Horse Ranch
Buttermilk Station
Stein Park
Aspen Post Office
Herron Park/Neale St.
Rubey Park Transit Center
To Independence Pass →

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The Roaring Fork Valley's Bikeshare.
Free 30-minute rides.
Serving Aspen, Basalt, Willits, El Jebel, and Snowmass Village with a fast, flexible, reliable transportation option.

www.we-cycle.org



RIO GRANDE TRAIL MAP

GLENWOOD SPRINGS TO ASPEN 42 Miles of Continuous Multi-Use Trail

www.RioGrandeTrail.com

THE RAIL-TO-TRAIL EFFORT

This trail is built within the rail corridor of the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad (D&RGW) Aspen Branch, although Train operations along this line ceased in phases between the 1960s and the mid-1990s. The corridor is being "railbanked" for future transportation uses.

In 1997, the rail corridor and track were purchased using a combination of funding from local governments, Great Outdoors Colorado, the Colorado Department of Transportation, and Pitkin County Open Space and Trails. This purchase presented an opportunity to explore transportation alternatives to State Highway 82 congestion and the challenge of creating recreation connectivity in the Roaring Fork Valley.

In 2001, RFTA was formed as a regional transportation authority creating a dedicated funding source for transit and trails. Following its completion in 2008, RFTA now manages and maintains the Rio Grande Trail with its partner agencies in the Roaring Fork Valley.

WHAT TO EXPECT

The Rio Grande Trail treadway is asphalt surfaced with some sections of concrete and compacted gravel. The pavement is 8 to 10 feet wide with soft surface shoulders of 2 to 6 feet. The trail is open to those on foot, those on horseback, and those using human-powered equipment such as bicycles, in-line skates and skateboards. Wheelchairs, both motorized and non-motorized, are permitted. Other Power Driven Mobility Devices (OPDMDs) are permitted with restrictions. Call (970) 384-4975 for more information, or visit www.rfta.com.

Picnic tables and benches are provided at various locations, as are trash cans, recycle bins and dog waste stations. There is only one potable water source on the trail at the Basalt trailhead next to the Basalt High School, plan to bring your own water as there is no other water source along the length of the trail. Vault toilets are installed at the vicinity of Cattle Creek and Catherine Store Bridge. A number of spur trails lead to services in the towns adjacent to the Rio Grande Trail corridor.

GOLDEN RULES OF TRAIL ETIQUETTE

RESPECT CLOSURES & WILDLIFE. Maintain your distance to wildlife and respect trail closures during all times of the year.

RESPECT TRAILS CREW. Slow down around maintenance vehicles and crew. Please announce your approach.

HORSES. Everyone yields to horses. Stop, step off the trail and talk to the rider. They will tell you when it is safe to pass.

CYCLISTS. Ride at a safe speed, single file. Do not exceed 20 mph. Slow and announce yourself before passing. Ring your bell and inform pedestrians, "on your left."

PEDESTRIANS. Be alert. Keep headphones turned down so you can hear others.

DOG WALKERS. Leash your pet and maintain control. You must carry a waste bag and put poop in a proper receptacle.

EVERYONE. Keep to the right of the trail except to pass. If you must stop, step off the trail. Do not block the trail.

SHARE AND BE AWARE. SAFETY IS FOR EVERYONE.

During the winter months, the trail is plowed when snowfall exceeds 3" between Glenwood Springs and Main Street, Carbondale. Other sections may be groomed for cross-country skiing or remain unmaintained. Call (970) 384-4975 for the current trail conditions, or go to www.riograndetrail.com or www.rfta.com. For Nordic grooming reports between Aspen and Basalt, call (970) 925-2145 or visit www.aspennordic.com.

E-BIKES

Class I and Class II E-Bikes are allowed on the Rio Grande Trail between Two Rivers Park in Glenwood Springs and the Pitkin County line at Emma Road in Basalt. Only Class 1 E-Bikes are allowed from Emma Road to Aspen.



GRAZING GOATS

As part of RFTA's Integrated Weed Management Plan, RFTA hires a herd of over 200 goats to help with vegetation management and land restoration work along the Trail and within the old rail corridor. RFTA is doing our part to shift the paradigm away from spraying toxic and harmful herbicides. As an alternative to chemicals and to be much more accountable, safe, and sustainable; RFTA is utilizing goats to responsibly graze our land, recycle nutrients, and build soil health.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE



THE ROARING FORK TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY manages the Rio Grande Trail from 23rd Street in Glenwood Springs to the Pitkin County line at Emma Road in Basalt. For inquiries within that portion of the trail please contact (970) 384-4975 or www.rfta.com



GLENWOOD SPRINGS manages the Rio Grande Trail from Two Rivers Park to 23rd Street in Glenwood Springs. For inquiries within that portion of the trail please contact (970) 384-6300 or www.ci.glenwood-springs.co.us



PITKIN COUNTY OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS manages the Rio Grande Trail from Emma Road in Basalt to Aspen. For inquiries within that portion of the trail please contact: (970) 920-5232 or www.pitkincounty.com

RESOURCES

- City of Aspen Parks, Open Space & Trails www.cityofaspen.com
- Crown Mountain Park & Recreation www.crownmtn.org
- Bureau of Land Management www.blm.gov/colorado
- Glenwood Springs Parks & Recreation www.glenwoodrec.com
- Google Maps Search & view the trail <https://maps.google.com>
- Pitkin County Outside www.pitkinoutside.org
- Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association (RFMBA) www.rfmba.org
- WE-cycle Bike Share www.we-cycle.org/
- White River National Forest Aspen - Sopris Ranger District www.fs.usda.gov/main/whiteriver