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### **Schedule of Events**

All events will be held at the Best Western unless otherwise noted.

### Wednesday, July 16th

- Registration is open until 8pm.
- 9am 4x4 101 Class (Registered students only)
- 1pm 4x4 101 Class (Registered students only)
- 3pm Getting Started on your Mods: Presentation / Q&A
- 5 pm Trail Teams Presentation
- 5pm midnight: 2008 FJ Summit Opening Night
- Meet & Greet new and old friends
- 6pm: Chili Cook Off
- Live music provided by fellow Summiteers

### Thursday, July 17th

- 6:30am: Trail Runs begin
- Summit HQ open
- 5 pm Trail Teams Presentation
- 6 pm Dinner sponsored in part by Demello & Icon
- Afterparty sponsored in part by Demello & Icon

### Friday, July 18th

- 6:30am: Trail Runs begin
- Summit HQ open
- 4 pm First Aid Class by Ouray Mountain Rescue & Helicopter Fly-In
- Will be held at the park near the Hot Springs Pool
- Please join to support the Ouray Mountain Rescue Team
- 5 pm Trail Teams Presentation
- 6 pm Dinner partially sponsored in part by All-Pro

### Saturday, July 19th

- 6:30am: Trail Runs begin
- Summit HQ open
- 5 pm Trail Teams Presentation
- 6 pm Dinner partially sponsored in part TRDParts4u.com
- Raffle immediately after dinner

### Sunday, July 20th

- •6:30 7:30am Group Photo on Main St
- 7:30 am 10:00am Breakfast at the Bachelor-Syracuse Mine (First 150 people to the mine get free breakfast)
- Departure / Free Day





FJ's outside the FJ Summit HQ
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### **Ouray, Colorado**

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The historic City of Ouray was originally established by miners in the late 1800's chasing silver and gold in the surrounding mountains. At the height of the mining, Ouray had more than 30 active mines and boasted more horses and mules than people. By 1877 Ouray had grown to over 1,000 in population and was named county seat of the newly formed Ouray County. The town is named after Chief Ouray of the Ute Indians, a Native American tribe.

Ouray is surrounded on three sides by 13,000 foot peaks. This magnificent setting, along with the wide variety of activities for locals and visitors give the town it's nickname: "The Switzerland of America". In addition to the some of the best off road trails in Colorado, Ouray has much to offer during your visit. One thing you don't want to miss is the therapeutic Hot Springs Pool, located toward the north end of town right on US-550. The amazing Box Canyon Falls are a true natural wonder, and Cascade Falls (you can see them from anywhere in town) are even more impressive up close.

The entire town is registered as a National Historic District with most of the buildings dating back to the late nineteenth century. The Beaumont Hotel, Ouray City Hall, Ouray County Courthouse, St. Elmo Hotel, St. Joseph's

Miners' Hospital (currently housing the Ouray County Historical Society and Museum), Western Hotel, and Wright's Opera House are all on the National Register of Historic Places.

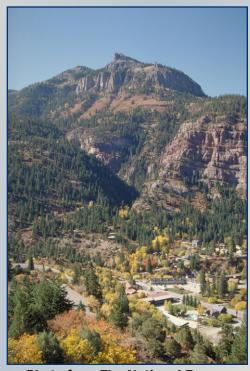


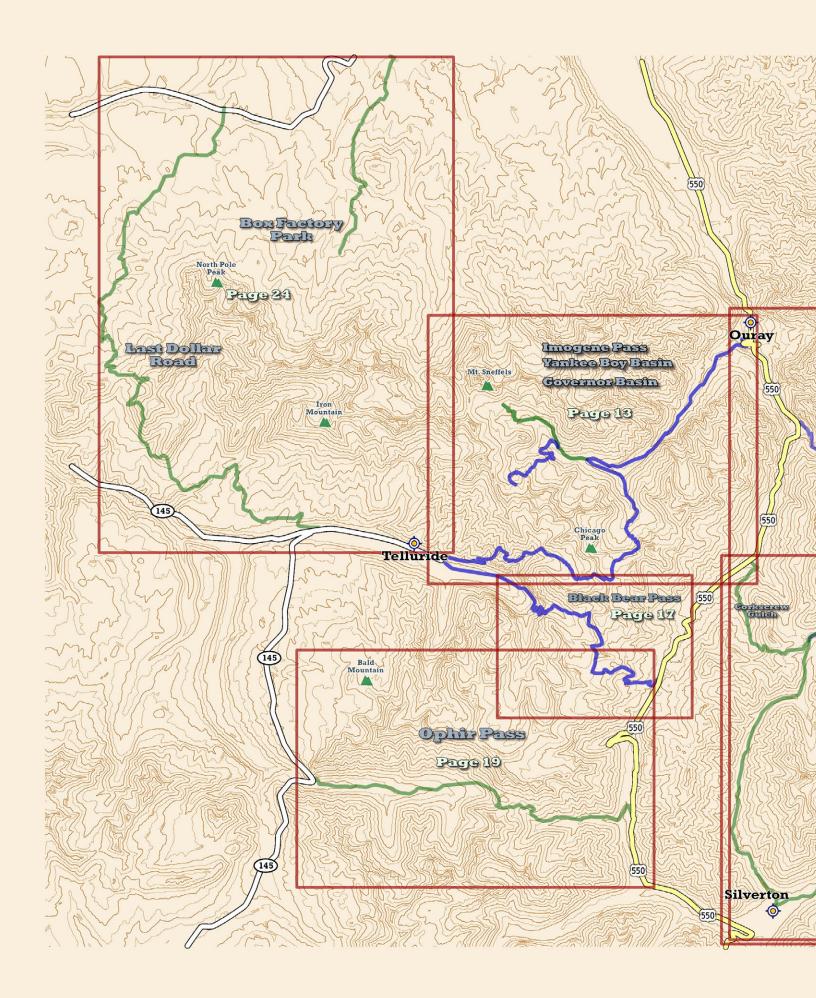
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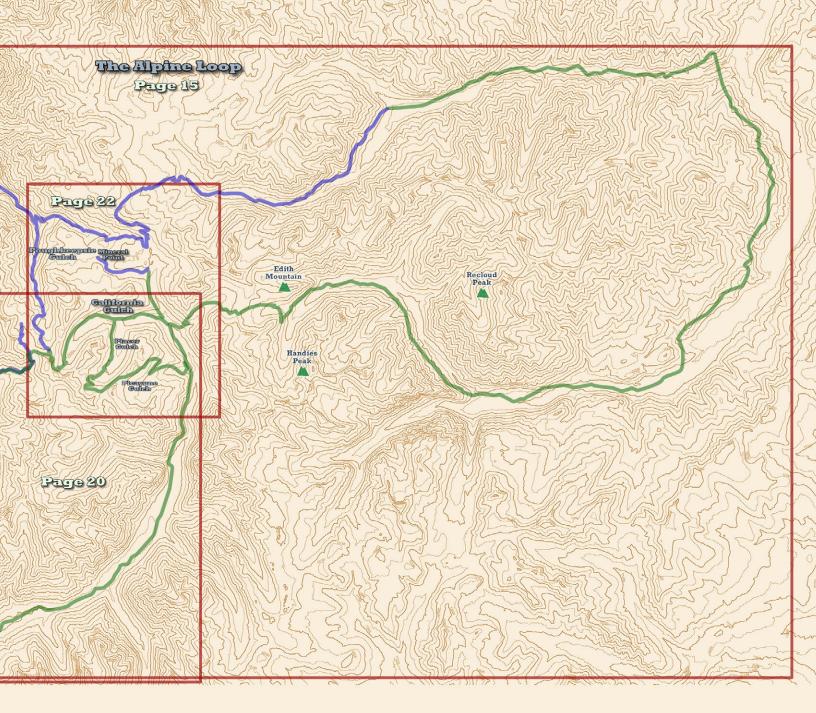
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### Overview Map



### **About The FJ Summit**

### FJSummit.org, Inc.

is a not for profit organization promoting trail events for Toyota FJCruiser enthusiasts. Its Directors are made up of like-minded FJCruiserForums.com members who are dedicated to safety, charity, and bringing together forum members that are normally stuck behind a computer to enjoy beautiful Ouray Colorado.

### Bostonian1976

Jason Gottlieb, Director and Founding Father of the FJSummit. Resides in (where else!) Boston Mass. Forum Superstar, Spiritual Leader, Dreamcatcher, Sponsor Wrangler, iPhone genius. Jason is rumored to actually own an FJCruiser (however, few have ever spotted it!). Day job as a project manager involves designing, building and implementing IT infrastructure for hedge fund clients (huh?)



Imogene in the rain, still fun!

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FJ's on Ophir Pass
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Tread Lightly! Y'all!



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- ⊳Enjoy your Friday night official Summit dinner at the Best Western that we are proudly sponsoring.
- Don't forget to stop by our booth for a chance to win an All-Pro FJ Summit hooded sweatshirt. Fill out a survey to receive a FREE All-Pro FJ Cruiser Challenge DVD.
- Attend the Saturday night raffle for a chance to win some great All-Pro prizes.



### **Trail Ratings**

The trail ratings in this guide use the 1-10 scale developed by the Colorado 4 Wheel Drive Association (http://www.hightrails.org). Although the most difficult trail in this guide is rated a Moderate (6), we've included descriptions for trails rated through Moderate (7) for your information.

**NOTE:** The rating of a trail can and will change based on a variety of factors such as weather, snow / mud, and time of year. Please evaluate each trail and obstacle before attempting anything you're not comfortable with.

### **Easy Trails**



### Easy (1)

Easy Graded dirt road. Dry, or less than 3" water crossing depth. Gentle grades. 2WD under all conditions except snow. No width problems, two vehicles wide.

### **Easy (2)**

Dirt road. Dry, or less than 3" water crossing depth. Some ruts. Slight grades, up to 10 degrees. 2WD under most conditions. Rain or snow may make 4WD necessary. Usually one and a half to two vehicles wide.

### **Easy (3)**

Dirt road. Rutted, washes, or gulches. Water crossings up to 6" depth. Passable mud. Grades up to 10 degrees. Small rocks or holes. 4WD recommended but 2WD possible under good conditions and with adequate ground clearance and skill. No width problems for any normal vehicle. Vehicle passing spots frequently available if less than two vehicles wide.

### **Easy (4)**

Rutted and/or rocky road. No shelves but rocks to 9". Water crossings usually less than hub deep. Passable mud. Grades moderate, up to 15 degrees. Side hill moderate up to 15 degrees. 4WD under most conditions. No width problems, vehicle passing spots frequently available if less than two vehicles wide.

### **Moderate Trails**



### Moderate (5)

Rutted and/or rocky road. No shelves. Rocks up to 12" and water crossings up to 12" with possible currents. Passable mud. Moderate grades to 15 degrees. 6" holes. Side hill to 20 degrees. 4WD required. No width problems.



### Moderate (6)

Quite rocky or deep ruts. Rocks to 12" and frequent. Water crossings may exceed hub depth with strong currents. Shelves to 6". Mud may require checking before proceeding. Moderate grades to 20 degrees. Sidehill may approach 30 degrees. 4WD necessary and second attempts may be required with stock vehicles. Caution may be required with wider vehicles.

### Moderate (7)

Rocks frequent and large, 12" and may exceed hub height. Holes frequent or deep (12"). Shelves to 9". Mud 8" deep and may be present on uphill sections. Grades to 25 degrees and sidehill to 30 degrees. Water crossings to 18" and may have strong currents. 1-1/2 vehicles wide. 4WD required. Driver experience helpful.







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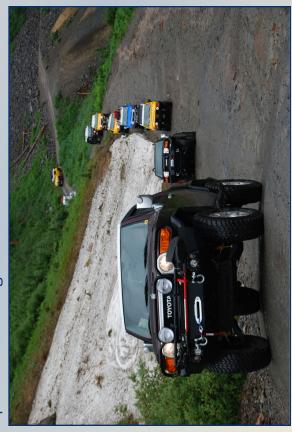


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# **Imogene Pass**

Imogene Pass connects Ouray with Telluride and is the highest mountain pass in the San Juan Mountains. The summit sits at 13,114 feet and the pass is the second highest in Colorado passable by vehicles. From Ouray, this trail turns off CR361 to Yankee Boy Basin. The turn off for Imogene is above Camp Bird Mine near the ghost town of Sneffels. The trail then climbs out of Imogene Basin en route to the summit.

Many groups choose to stop near Upper Camp Bird, just after crossing Imogene Creek for photos. Pressing on toward the summit, you'll experience drifts as you gain elevation, so watch out for wet and slippery surfaces on the From start to finish, Imogene Pass is 17 miles long and full of Imogene offers some of the best scenery in the San Juan Mountains. As you several moderate obstacles to test your rig. You'll most likely see large snow climb above Camp Bird Mine, look back towards Ouray for an amazing view! spectacular scenery including a panoramic view of Telluride. This article is licensed under the GNU Free Documentation License. It uses material from the Wikipedia article "Imogene Pass"



FJ's Heading up Imogene Pass
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Camp Bird Mine in 1940
Photo By Russell Lee

# **Camp Bird Mine**

Camp Bird Mine is a famous, previously productive gold mine located between Ouray and Telluride, Colorado. It was named after the "Camp Birds", probably Rocky Mountain jays, that ate many a miner's lunch. The mine was discovered by Thomas F. Walsh in 1896 and from 1896 to 1990, it mine produced about 1.5 million Troy ounces of gold, and 4 million Troy ounces of silver. Mr. Walsh earned more than \$10,000,000 by the time he sold the mine in 1902 for \$5.2 million. Camp Bird Mine is currently closed, and many of the tunnels are beginning to cave in, so do not attempt to visit the ruins.

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# The Alpine Loop

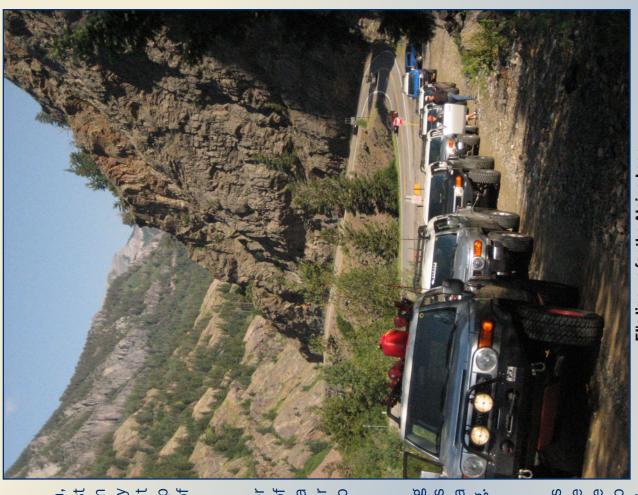
### THIS is Colorado

The Alpine Loop is the longest route in the San Juan Region, totaling over 55 miles from start to finish. The trail begins just South of Ouray on US 550 and ends in Silverton. The views from the summits of Engineer Pass and Cinnamon Pass are the very definition of what off roading in this area is all about. It is said that on a clear day, there is no limit to how far you can see from the top of Engineer pass. Even in Mid-July, you can expect to see rows of snow-capped peaks accentuated by a beautiful high altitude sky.

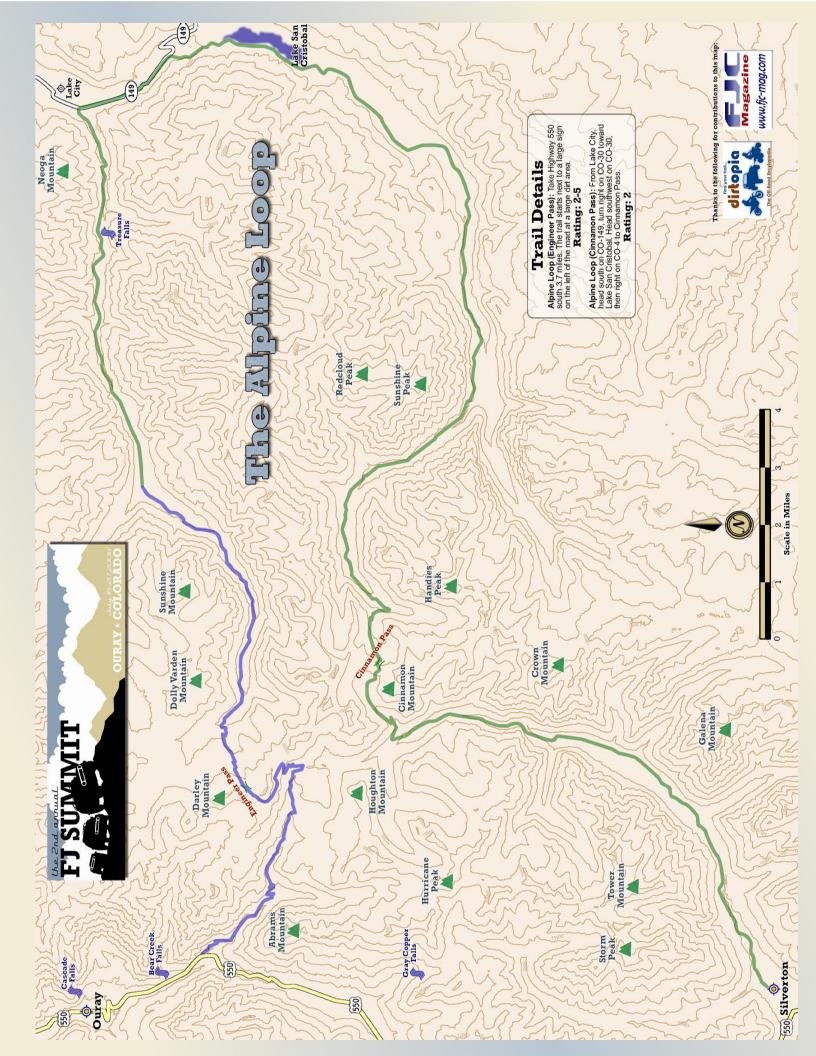
The first portion of the Loop brings you to an elevation of over 13,000 feet at the summit of Engineer Pass. The trail to the top of Engineer is the most difficult section of the Loop and earns a Moderate (5) rating. You'll want to make several stops during your climb to take advantage of the amazing photo ops. Be sure to have your camera ready!

After a quick pit-stop in Lake City, you'll continue on the south leg of the trip over Cinnamon Pass. While Cinnamon isn't as high as Engineer, the views are still exceptional. Remember to use extra caution on this portion of the Loop since it is an Easy (2) rating. You'll probably encounter many passenger cars on this dirt road.

This area was inhabited by Native American Indians for centuries before miners came looking for gold, silver, zinc, and lead in the late 1800's. The trails that make up the Alpine Loop (and the many side trips) were first used by these miners. If you choose to stop at any of the abandoned mines, for your safety, please enjoy the history from a safe distance. The structures are not maintained and in a state of decay and consequently, could collapse at any time.



FJ's line up for the Alpine Loop
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# **Black Bear Pass**

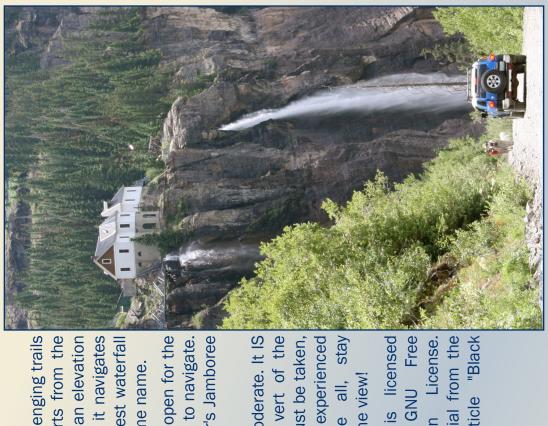
### Don't Look Down!

Black Bear Pass (also known as Black Bear Road) is one of the most challenging trails in the San Juan Mountains. The Moderate (6) rated, 8.5 mile trail starts from the summit of Red Mountain Pass south of Ouray, and ends in Telluride. From an elevation of 12,840 ft., the trail descends over a set of infamous switchbacks as it navigates the heights above Telluride. Black Bear passes Bridal Veil Falls, the highest waterfall in Colorado. The trail was made famous in a song by C.W. McCall of the same name.

Black Bear is one way: downhill east to west (except for the annual Jeeper's Jamboree Black Bear Pass is passable only a few months per year and might not be open for the 2008 FJ Summit. The end of July is typically when the trail is clear enough to navigate. during which the path is reversed for one day only). This trail is rated by some as difficult, but the obstacles are technically moderate. It IS however, a dangerous trail due to several multi-point turns and the vert of the especially for new off road drivers. Take your time and listen to more experienced mountain itself. The Bear is not for the faint of heart! Extreme caution must be taken,



Top of Black Bear Pass
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# **The Million Dollar Highway**

### **US - 220**

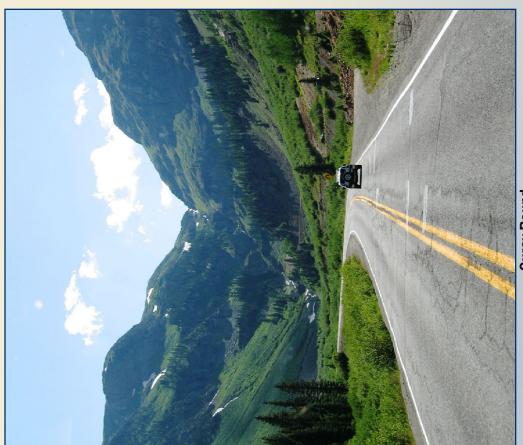
The Million Dollar Highway is the section of U.S. Route 550 that runs from Durango to Ouray, CO. The twelve miles south of Ouray through the Uncompangre Gorge to the summit of Red Mountain Pass, give the highway its name. This stretch features steep cliffs and no guardrails (don't look down!), and the ascent of Red Mountain Pass has a number of hairpin "S" curves.. Traveling north from Silverton to Ouray allows you to hug the inside of curves, however heading south from Ouray to Silverton perches you on the outside edge of the highway. The origin of the name Million Dollar Highway is disputed. There are several legends of ts origin from "it cost a million dollars a mile" to build in the 1920's to it contains "a million dollars" in gold ore in the fill dirt. The original stretch of the Highway was a toll road built by Otto Mears in 1883 to connect Ouray and Ironton. In the late 1880's Otto Mears turned to building railroads the lucrative mining districts around Red Mountain, terminating at Albany just eight miles south of Ouray. In the early 1920's, the original toll road was rebuilt at considerable cost and became the present day US 550. Today the entire route is part and built the Silverton Railroad north from Silverton over Red Mountain Pass to reach of the San Juan Skyway Scenic Byway.

Take note of the avalanche shelters covering portions of road that have avalanche chutes above them. Be greatful that your trip to Ouray is in the summer!

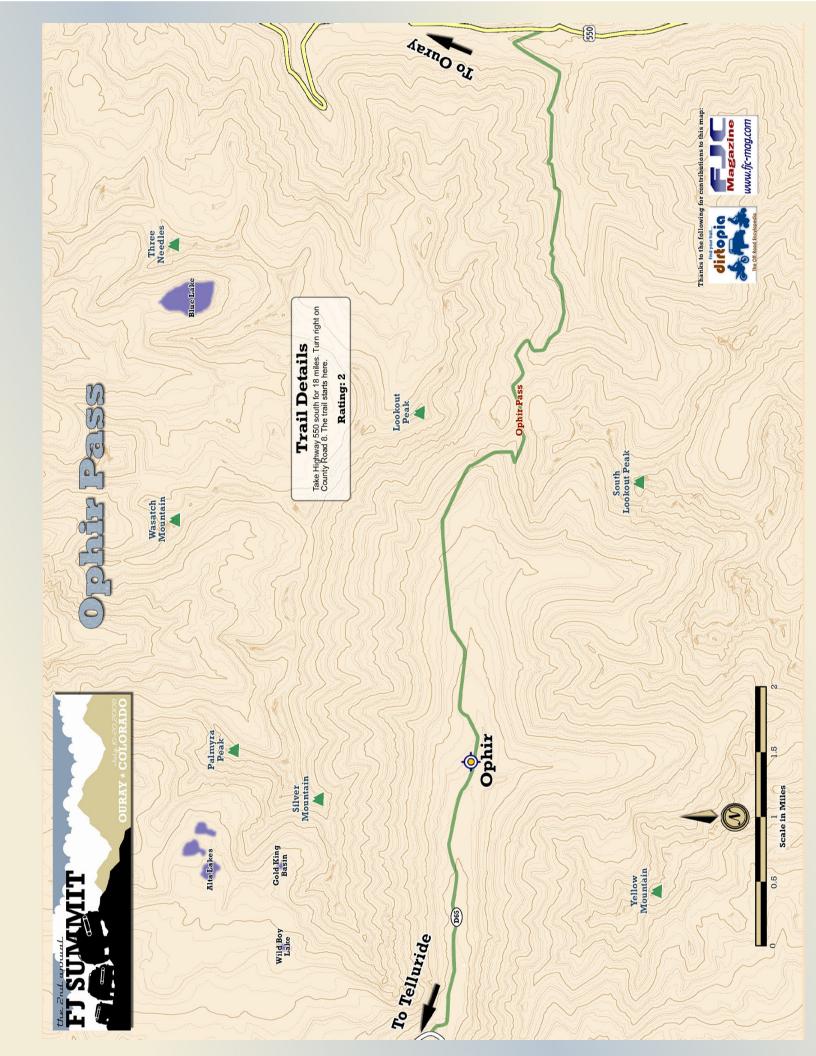
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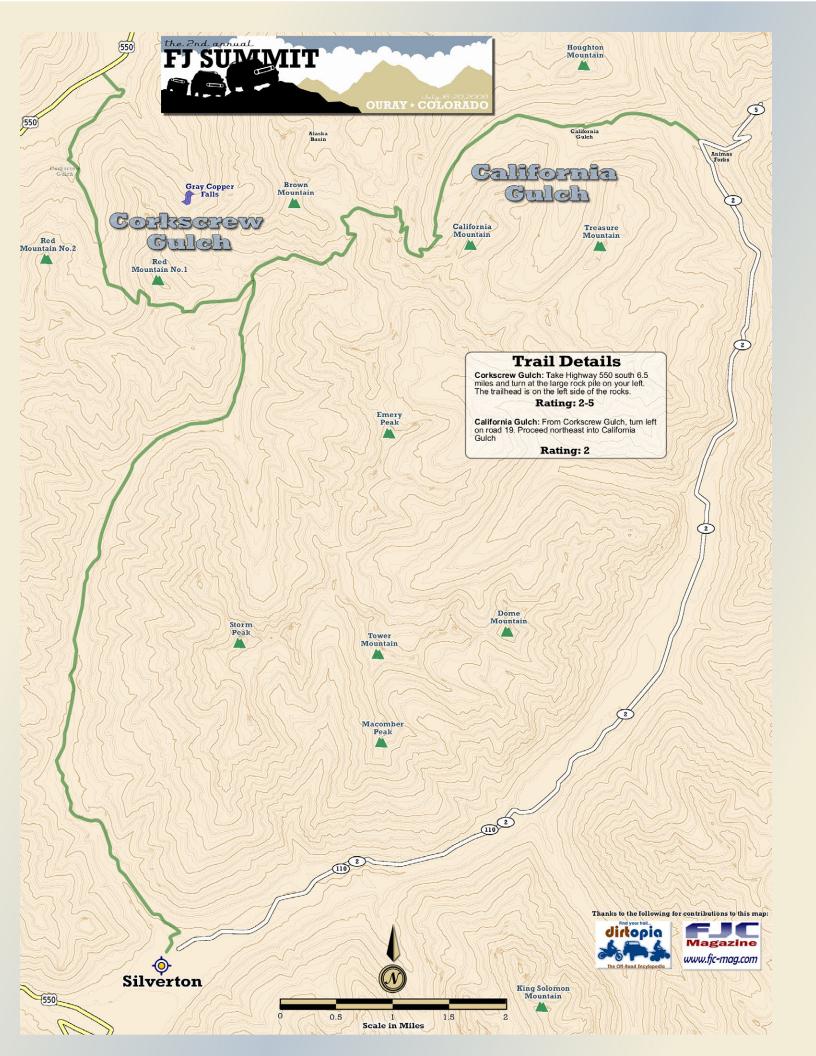


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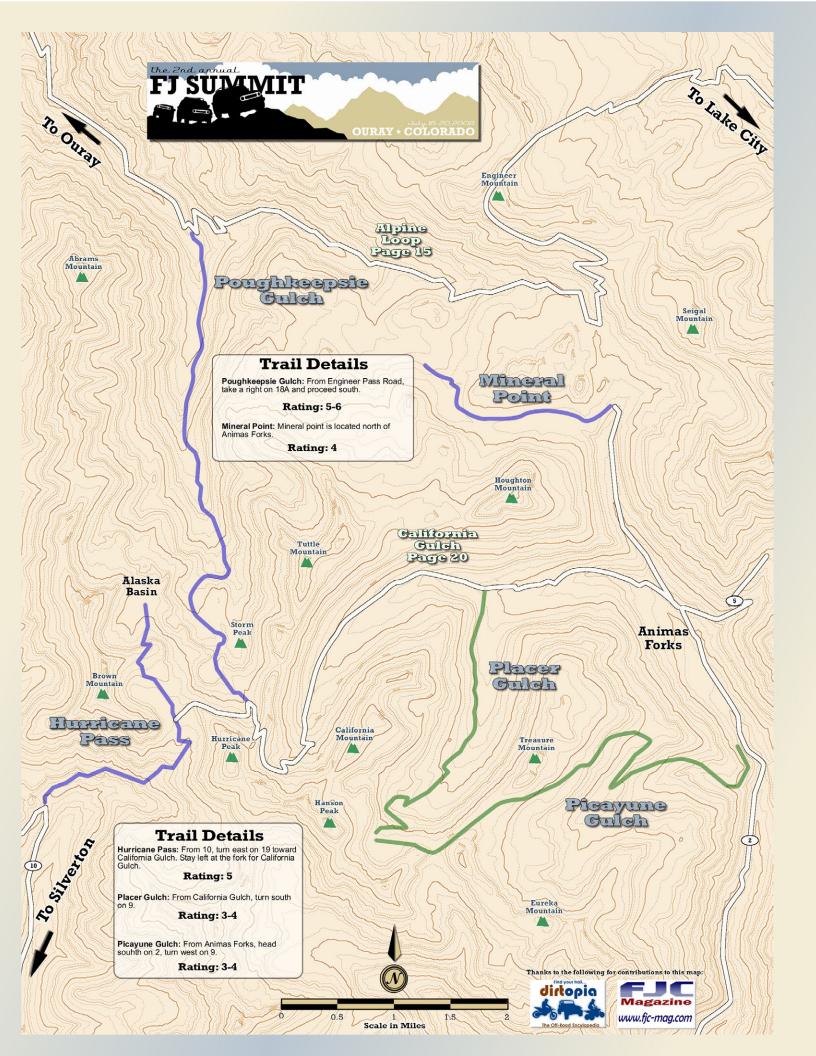












































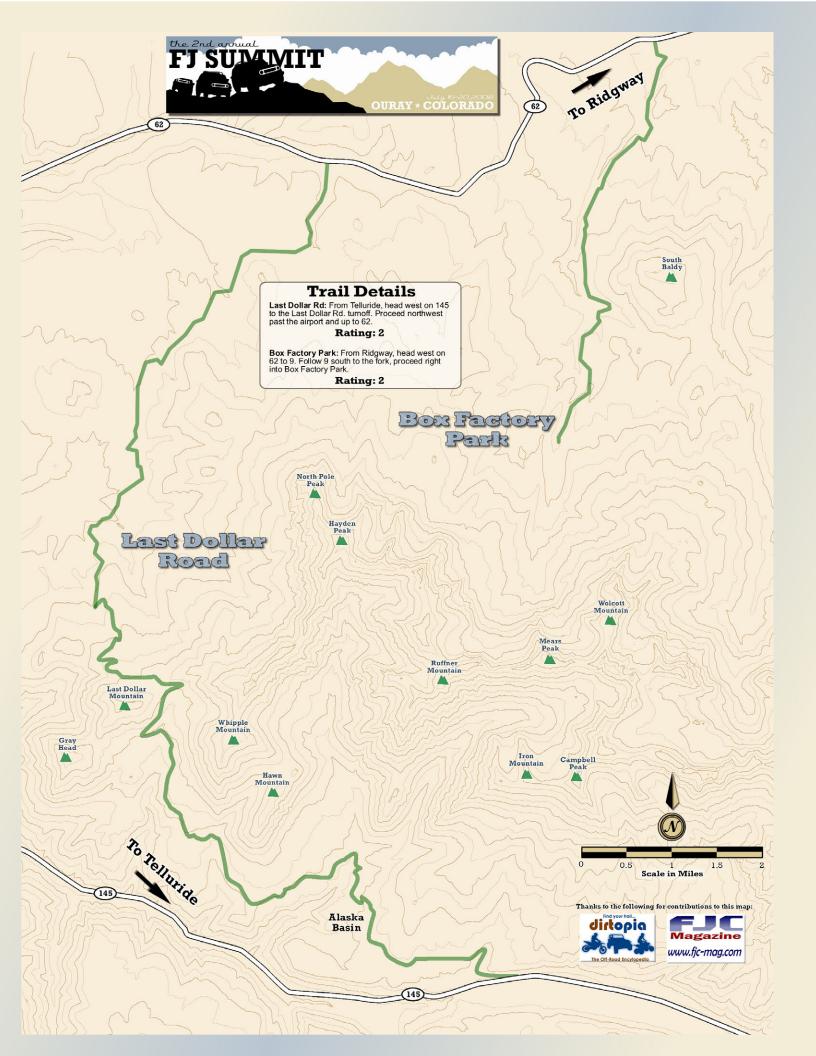
















Red Mountains from the summit of Black Bear Pass

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### **FJ Summit Communications**

There are three main types of communication that will be used at the FJ Summit: CB's (Primarily), FRS radios, and

HAM radios. When possible, a HAM operator with a CB will be within range of all trail run groups. Radio communications are not required for the event but do add to the experience by allowing you to communicate with the other FJs in your trail group.

### **CB** Radio:

CB radio transmits at 4 watts and uses AM frequencies. CB is probably the most common form of civilian radio communication, although FRS is common as well. AM frequencies usually are subject to greater noise interference than FM frequencies. No license is required.

### **FRS Radio:**

FRS radio transmits at .5 watts and therefore has limited range. FRS radios are cheap and easy to use and are good for communication within your FJ trail group. No license is required for FRS radios.

### **HAM Radio:**

HAM radio (also called Amateur Radio) transmits at 5-100 watts for

handheld and mobile units and therefore has greater range. HAM radio uses FM frequencies for crystal clear audio. It has the advantage of using which repeaters, devices that listen for and repeat a radio signal giving even greater range. You can also use HAM without repeaters, this is known as Simplex. It is required to have a license to operate a HAM radio.

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447.520 Silverton 127.3 PL Buffalo Mt. NE of Silverton, the hub repeater between Engineer and Kendall

### **Quick Reference**

CB & FRS Radios

-Summit Channel: 07

-Trail Leaders Set Channel for Each Run

**HAM Radios** 

-Simplex: 147.555

-Primary Repeater: Engineer Mountain

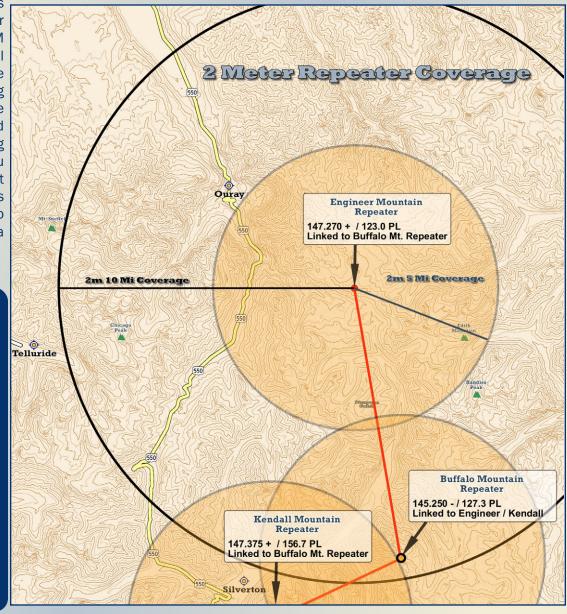
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### **Tips for Having a Great Time**

### **Respect**

From Bostonian1976 (Jason): Ouray is a small town, and we have gone to great lengths to befriend the police, mayor, and chamber of commerce. It's important for us to maintain the level of respect that we have earned. We achieved this last year because everyone was very responsible for the most part and did their part to show good face for the Summit. Remember that if you're there and you're in an FJ with Summit stickers, you are representing the entire event. Be alert for speed limits and know that your actions will reflect back on everyone at this event.

Easy ways to ensure everyone has a great time:

If you choose to have a drink, please keep moderation in mind. We all want to have a good time and no one wants to babysit someone that's had too much. Keep in mind that a little alcohol can go a long way at high altitude. Also remember that most trail runs will have you off-road for most of the day, it won't be nearly as enjoyable with a massive hangover.

Please clean up after yourself. There will be plenty of garbage cans around the FJ Summit Headquarters, so there's no reason to litter. If you choose to smoke, please think about others in your area that are

non-smokers, and dispose of your butts properly. Want to help out? Pick up any trash you see in town or on the trail, good impressions will last forever in a little town like Ouray.

Use extreme caution when driving around the FJ Summit Headquarters area (the Best Western). There will be plenty of people, kids, dogs, and FJ's packed in like sardines. Keep a close eye on where you're going (especially when backing up).

Remember that we all spend a great amount of time on our trucks. Ask permission before poking around someone's rig.

You represent

the entire

Watch your speed in town & on the trails. The speed limit on Main St is 25mph, it is 15mph on all side streets. You may as well just 'cruise' down the streets and enjoy the clean crisp Ouray air.

When on the trail, keep in mind that others behind you will be eating your dust. Keep your speed down and enjoy the views.

Many people will be bringing their furry friends to the Summit. Always ask the owner before attempting to pet a dog. Try not to spook a dog from behind, and always be friendly.



**Photo by Joshua Miller** 

### **On The Trail**

While we'll have the best vehicles on the trail, we won't be alone. Many people travel to the San Juan Mountains this time of year to enjoy the beauty. Other visitors, hikers, photographers, etc. will be on the same trails as us, so remember trail etiquette:

- -Slow down when passing hikers, they certainly don't want to inhale your dust any more than necessary.
- -Look for photographers in odd places such as streambeds or behind rocks.
- -Give a nice wave when passing someone (even if their in a Jeep)
- -Remember the uphill traveling vehicle has the right of way. Many times a single vehicle will yield to our larger groups, but it's not required.
- -Don't follow too close on tight trails; give the truck in front of you plenty of room to maneuver. Also, try not to fall back on easier trails, keep up with the group. If you have a problem or need to stop, signal your trail leader or the truck in front of you.
- -Don't leave the group without telling the Trail Leader.
- -Keep the vehicle behind you in your rearview mirror. If you don't see it, stop and wait until you can see it before continuing.
- -Tread Lightly! Stay on roads and trails. Pack it in, Pack it out!
- -Respect all the Trail Leader's decisions.
- -Come Prepared. Gear that you brought with you does no good sitting in your hotel room.

### **Sponsors**

Remember that this event wouldn't be possible without sponsors. Many have traveled very far and contributed significantly to ensure we have a great event (and raffle). Please show the sponsors your appreciation for helping make the FJ Summit a reality.



### **HAVE FUN!**

Thanks to Kansas Law Dog for these additional pointers:

- 1. Do some exercises for your arms, because waving at all FJ Cruisers you meet on the Ouray streets is mandated.
- 2. Learn how to balance two plates and a styrofoam cup, because the catered meals are serve yourself buffet lines. (This note applies to the guys, because the women with kids are already way more talented than we will ever be)
- 3. Good footwear is recommended. Steep slopes and rocks require shoes stay on your feet.
- 4. Bring a special stash of money for buying raffle tickets. The booty is unbelievable and you want to maximize your chances during the drawing. If you have kids, be sure to purchase raffle tickets for prizes especially for kids.



