

**Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 Leave No Trace Ethics**

- ◆ **Plan ahead and prepare:** Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- ◆ **Travel and camp on durable surfaces:** Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- ◆ **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- ◆ **Leave what you find:** Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- ◆ **Minimize campfire impacts:** Cook with a camp stove. Simply enjoy a candle lantern or the night sky.
- ◆ **Respect Wildlife:** Use carry-in/carry-out bear resistant food storage canister May 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- ◆ **Be considerate of other visitors:** Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

**EMERGENCIES:** In case of emergency, call Park Dispatch at (970) 586-1203 or 911. Map (over) shows the location of the nearest phone.

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Site Location: Site is just below timberline in an area of large mature spruce by creek. Site is about .5 miles above Grand Ditch at end of maintained trail. Site is named after German (Dutchmen) prospectors who built cabins in Hitchens Gulch around 1900. A wood sign indicates the path to the site; the path may be marked by red arrowheads on trees. **Camp safely away from standing dead trees, as near as is safely possible to the silver metal arrowhead.**

Number of Sites: 1

Elevation: 10,760 ft.

Distance: 6 mi. from CO River TH via Red Mtn. Trail

Elevation Change: 1,760 ft. gain

Approx. Travel Time: 5 to 6 hrs.

Privy: NO

Water Source: Water is available from creek. Boil or adequately treat all water.

To Reach the Trailhead (TH): **Colorado River TH:** From Kawuneeche Visitor Center follow Hwy 34 north approx. 10.2 mi. to the TH which is on the left side of Hwy 34.

