

Pearl Lake State Park



Who we are

Colorado Parks and Wildlife utilizes the principles of conservation - the wise use of natural resources - to effectively manage fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing, camping, motorized and non-motorized trails, boating and outdoor education for the citizens of Colorado and its visitors. Pearl Lake State Park, nestled in the mountains north of Steamboat Springs, offers peace and quiet in a lush forest environment. Visitors camp along the lake and hillside in a wooded setting. Gold Medal fly and lure fishing is available at the park where cutthroat trout and arctic grayling swim. Beautiful views of Farwell Mountain, easy trail access to the Routt National Forest, canoe- and kayak-friendly water and wildlife viewing opportunities make for a nature lover's paradise. This incredibly peaceful area is lush and green; a true escape from the day-to-day routine.

Top attractions

- Two yurts and a 34-site campground
- Pearl Lake Connection Trail with access to the National Forest
- Fishing for cutthroat trout and grayling
- Wildlife viewing
- Wakeless boating lake for water recreation

Our partners

- Rocky Mountain Youth Corps
- Colorado State Forest Service
- U.S. Forest Service

Challenges we face

- Proactively addressing natural resource issues, including forest health, forest succession, aquatic nuisance species (ANS) and noxious weeds
- Continuing forestry work to maintain a safe and healthy forest, as well as a natural, aesthetically pleasing park to ensure visitor satisfaction
- Working to address facility and infrastructure needs, including maintaining aging buildings, seasonal roads and the dam
- Continuing the long history of finding ways to provide top quality experiences for park visitors
- Balancing resource protection and the quality of our visitors' experience with increased park visitation

Volunteer activities

- Volunteers from Steamboat Lake State Park help with projects at Pearl Lake State Park.
- Pearl Lake recruits one campground host each summer.



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Geography

Region: Northwest
County: Routt
Year Acquired: 1960
Elevation (ft): 8,065
Miles From Denver: 180

Acreage

Total Acres: 250

Governmental

US Cong Dist: 2nd
CO Senate: 8th
CO House: 26th

Employees

Permanent: 0.5
Temporary: 1
Volunteers (together with
Steamboat Lake State Park
for FY 22): 33
Volunteer Hours (together with
Steamboat Lake State Park
for FY 22): 4,763

Annual Visitation

FY 22: ~ 50,000

Facilities

Boat Ramp
7 Picnic Sites

Trails

Biking: 0.6 miles
Hiking: 0.6 miles
Cross Country Skiing/
Snowshoeing: 0.6 miles
Total: 0.6 miles

Roads

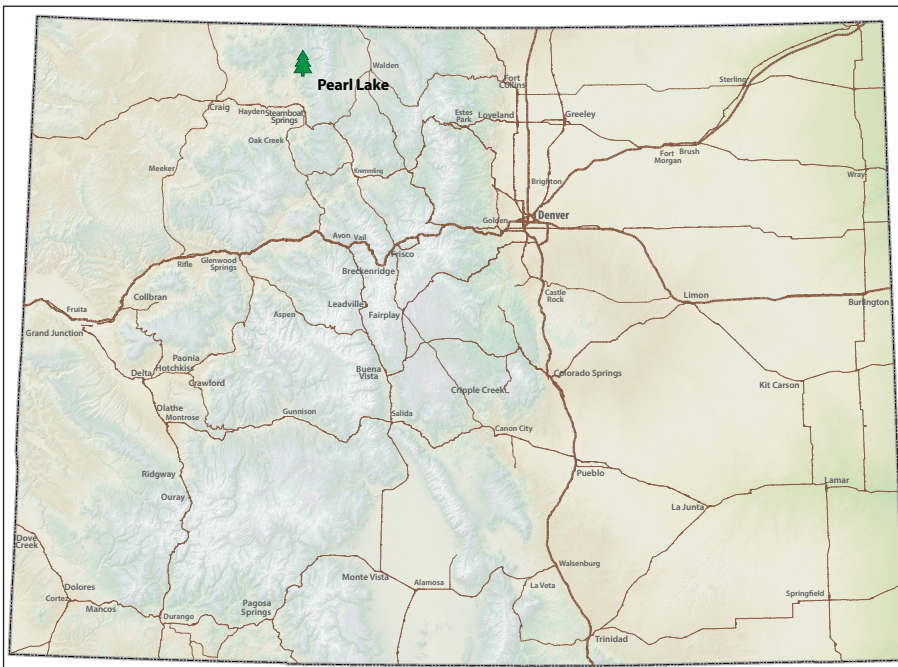
Unpaved: 1.8 miles

Recreation

Boating
Fishing
Hunting (on nearby USFS land)
Ice Fishing
Paddleboarding
Picnicking
Wildlife/Bird Viewing

Camping

Yurts (year-round): 2
Campsites (basic, seasonal): 35



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