



Mountain States Fox Trotter Association

February 14, 2010

On the Trail! On the Rail! On the Ranch! The Missouri Fox Trotter!

RIDES - 2010

Soapstone Prairie Trail Ride March 27, 2010

Time: Be Ready to Ride at 10:30am
Trail Boss: Betty/Elden Burk Phone: 970-217-4265
Lunch: Bring a sack lunch for the trail

RSVP – In case there is a date change due to Weather.

Directions: From I-25 - north of Ft. Collins 25 miles to Owl Canyon (exit #281-Next exit after the Wellington exit). West to County Road 15, turn north (right). Stay on County Road 15 for until you reach the south Trailhead parking lot. Keep in mind that this open space is near the Wyoming border, so you will travel north on CR15. Please visit the web site to familiarize yourself with this location.

www.fcgov.com/naturalareas/finder/soapstone

Soapstone has over 28 square miles of wide open vistas, nearly pristine grasslands, and miles of trails. We will follow the Pronghorn Loop. Good footing, gates to open, and expect to see lots of pronghorn antelope along the trail. **No Dogs! Not Even in Your Truck!**

Trails From the South Trailhead Trails (where we will be starting from) are open to horseback riding, cycling and hiking. It is important that all manure in the parking lot goes back into your trailer! This is a pristine area and we all must work to continue that preservation.

Cheyenne Rim Trail, 11.7 miles with connection to Canyon trail and Red Mountain Open Space.
Pronghorn Loop, 7.5 mile loop with connection to Plover Trail and Sand Wash Trail. Plover Trail is closed April 1- July 15 for grassland birds.

All trail heads have a picnic shelter, vault toilet, information kiosk and parking.

Lost Canyon Ranch - August 1st.

Lost Canyon Ranch is conveniently located north east of Castle Rock. Come ride through canyons, forests of evergreens, over streams, and up on dry grass lands. There are caves to explore, pools to discover, and lots of wildlife! The terrain can be very challenging (steep hills). We will ride about 1.5 - 2hrs break for lunch in one of the caves or at the pools and continue to ride as long as everyone wants too. Please bring a sack lunch to be eaten on the trail. There is plenty of water available for the horses. Please RSVP for directions.

Host for this ride is Jody Chu. She can be contacted: Chu_jody@yahoo.com Or by telephone: 720-300-7430