

# **BOULDER POINT HIKE #5731 & 373**

**(Strenuous – walking sticks recommended)**

**DIRECTIONS TO TRAILHEAD:** From Triple Creek Ranch driveway, turn right and head up the West Fork Road for 5 miles to Barn Draw Road. Turn right here and follow the signs for Boulder Point Lookout Trail. The road ends at a locked gate.

**ELEVATIONS:** Trailhead - 5,250 ft.; Boulder Point – 7,750 ft.

**MILEAGE:** School House Point -  $\frac{3}{4}$  miles; Boulder Point - 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles

**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** The trail starts high on the north face of the slope overlooking the West Fork of the Bitterroot River. The beginning is in the hot sun up to some blighted pines. It climbs very steeply for the entire 2.5 miles, gaining about 2,500 feet in elevation. At one-quarter mile, the trail reaches School House Point. At this point you can view Boulder Creek Canyon below and the peaks to the northeast. From here on, the hike is a little sheer in some places but delightful. The trail generally follows the ridge bordering the west side of Boulder Canyon, offering great views of this once glacial area.

Boulder Point is the site of an old lookout at about 7,750 feet elevation. From this vantage, there is a magnificent view of the surrounding area, including Trapper Peak.

**HAVE A GREAT HIKE AND ENJOY!**