

Spinney Mountain State Park is nestled in the southeast corner of South Park at the foot of Spinney Mountain. With spectacular views of the acclaimed Collegiate Peaks in the Sawatch Range to the west and 39-Mile Mountain to the southeast, the park is an isolated retreat. Thanks to its 2,500 surface-acre reservoir and prime locations along the South Platte River, the park offers visitors exceptional boating, picnicking and waterfowl hunting; but the prized attraction is its nationally-renowned fishing.

The delicate ecosystem is very sensitive to man. Wildflowers are rampant. Deer, coyote, raccoon and pronghorn antelope roam the region. Ducks, Canada geese, grebes, rails and pelicans are common. Bald and golden eagles make cameo appearances in the park.

Built in 1982, its season lasts approximately April 15th to Nov. 15th. The park closes from ice-on to ice-off annually

From Colorado Springs take Highway 24 west for 55 miles. Turn left on Park County Road 23, go 2.8 miles. Turn right on County Road 59 and go 1.1 miles to the park entrance. Spinney Mountain State Park is located seven miles west of Eleven Mile State Park off of County Road 59.

FISHING

Spinney Mountain is designated a “gold medal water” and is home to trophy-size cutthroat, rainbow and brown trout as well as northern pike. Fishing is by artificial fly and lure only. Bait fishing and snagging are prohibited. For a complete listing of fishing regulations and definitions, please consult the current Colorado Fishing Regulation



Brochure or review the signs. Different bag and possession limits apply on the reservoir; the river upstream from the reservoir; and the river below the dam.

The area within the chain-link fence below the dam and the Homestake Diversion Channel are closed to fishing.

All islands are closed to all public use.

PICNICKING

Picnicking is allowed in the park, except in those areas posted otherwise. Spinney offers several picnic areas with tables and grills. Fires must be contained in the grills provided.



HUNTING

Waterfowl, big game, small game and varmints can be hunted at Spinney. Hunting is allowed during lawful seasons in areas that are not closed to hunting.

FIRST AID

All park rangers are certified in CPR and first aid. Please contact a park ranger if you need first aid assistance. Medical facilities are available in Woodland Park, 40 miles east, and in Fairplay, 30 miles northwest.

NEARBY FACILITIES

Commercial and religious facilities are available in the town of Hartsel, ten miles west of the north entrance. Groceries, camping and fishing supplies, licenses, firewood and snacks are available at the Eleven Mile Marina at Eleven Mile State Park. Medical facilities are available in Woodland Park.



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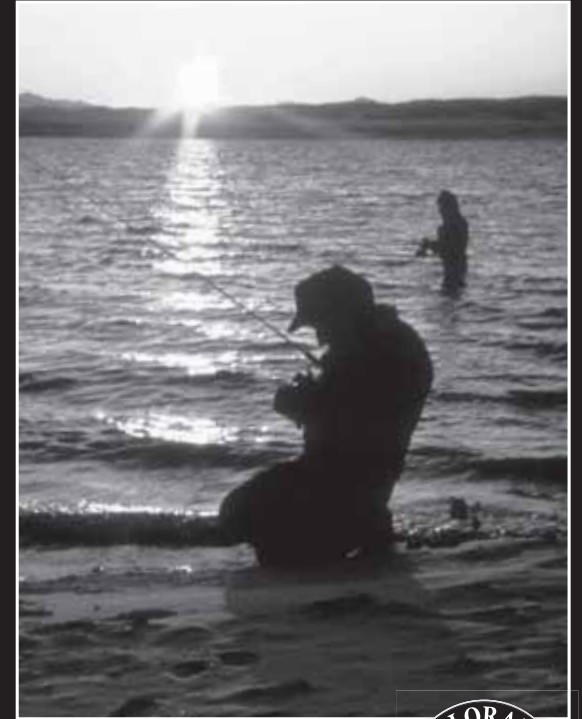


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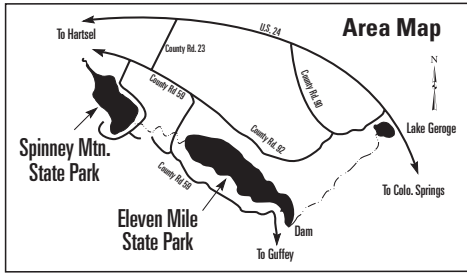


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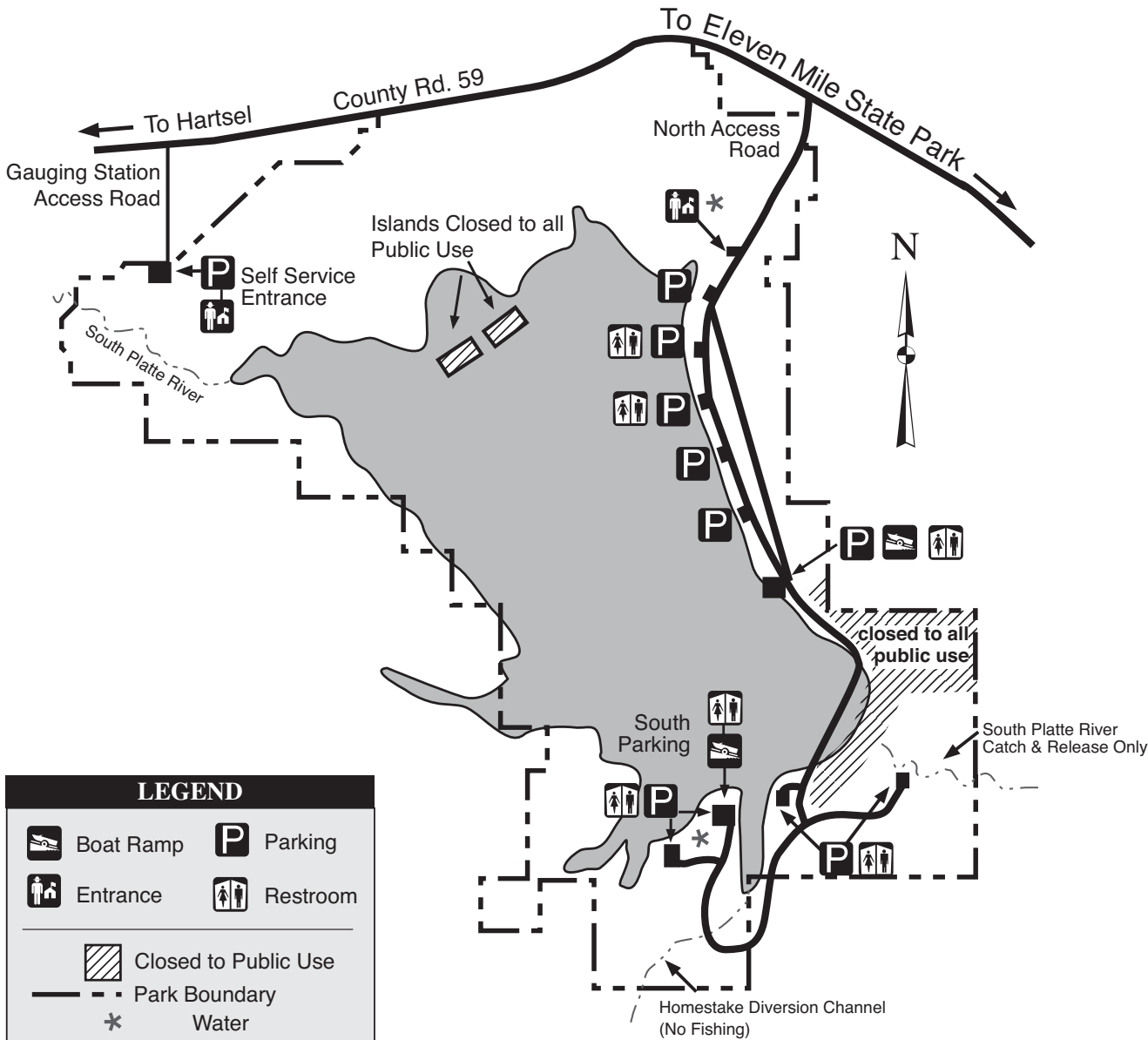
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REGULATIONS

Spinney Mountain State Park is operated for your safety and enjoyment so please observe the following rules:

1. All trailered vessels must be inspected at entrance for aquatic nuisance species at time of entry.
2. No fishing or boating from one half-hour after sunset until one half-hour before sunrise.
3. All public use is prohibited on all islands for waterfowl nesting.
4. Water-skiing and swimming are prohibited.
5. Keep all pets on a leash no longer than six feet to avoid confrontations with other pets, persons or wildlife.
6. The area within the chain-link fence below the dam is closed to all public use.
7. Drive only on designated roads. Off-road driving can damage the resources and wildlife habitats.
8. The park is a day-use area only, opening one half hour before sunrise and closing one hour after sunset. No camping is allowed. (Camping is available at Eleven Mile State Park, seven miles to the east.)

PASSES AND PERMITS

A Colorado State Parks Pass is required on all motor vehicles entering the park. All passes are to be displayed on the lower passenger side of the windshield. A **DAILY PASS** is valid for the day purchased until noon the following day. A **YEARLY PASS** is valid at any Colorado State Park for 12 months from date of purchase. The **ASPEN LEAF** annual pass is available to Colorado residents 64 years of age or older at a discounted rate. Daily passes are available at self-service dispensers. All other passes may be purchased at the Eleven Mile State Park camper services building.

Colorado disabled veterans displaying the Colorado Disabled Veteran (DV) license plates are admitted free.

BOATING/ WINDSURFING

South Park winds can blow in gusts of 30-40 miles per hour and create five-foot waves on Spinney so, for safety, the bigger the boat the better.

Boat ramps are located on both the north and south sides of the reservoir. Boaters must observe Colorado boating statutes and regulations. Windsurfing is allowed with a full wetsuit.