

Paddle or Easy Hike Around Sprague Lake, Rocky Mountain National Park

Monday, October 14 - Drop-in from 1:00 - 5:00, weather permitting.

Sprague Lake is a very small (< 1 mile circumference), but beautiful lake in Rocky Mountain National Park for paddling and/or for hiking on an easy, wheelchair accessible gravel loop trail. For those wanting to paddle the lake, members of the Rocky Mountain Canoe Club and Poudre Paddlers will bring miscellaneous watercraft (canoes, kayaks, SUPs) and PFDs to the lake to share. These club members will be available throughout the afternoon to assist and/or paddle with broads.

See a description of the area at: <https://www.rockymountainnationalpark.com/gallery/hiking-sprague/>

Broads attending this activity could also expand their hike to 2.7 miles via the Sprague Lake, Glacier Creek and Storm Pass Loop or visit other locations in the Bear Lake Corridor.

Arrangements/Constraints:

- Access to the lake requires a Timed Entry + Bear Lake Road permit – 1 per vehicle. 60% of timed entry permits for this day will be available beginning September 1 at 8am MDT. The remainder will be available beginning 1 day prior (October 13) at 7pm. Permits are \$2. The individual who buys the permit must be in the vehicle when entering the park.
- Travel time from YMCA Camp is 10 miles, about a 25 minute drive (see https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qdAZ1_MD02gs_SKTWhImO34sv1GqsXgY)
- Expect to spend less than one hour boating or hiking around Sprague Lake. Depending on the number of broads who attend this activity, the watercraft will have to be shared.
- This activity – at 8700' elevation – will be weather dependent and may be canceled up to the day of.
- Hiking map:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WbcRb5vo1ucafK4eoWfThOFQuaSC-HGi/view?usp=sharing>