

## NORTHERN COLORADO BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN



*"If once in a while, man has the opportunity to flee the city, throw a diamond hitch upon a mule, and disappear into the wilderness of the covered wagon days, he is just that much more civilized than he would be without the opportunity"*

*Aldo Leopold*



**The Northern Colorado** Chapter of Back Country Horsemen covers most of Northeastern Colorado including Fort Collins, Greeley, Longmont, Loveland, Brighton, and Brush areas.

The Northern Colorado chapter is one of 9 Chapters in Colorado representing Back Country Horsemen of America.

**Education** One of the primary purposes of Back Country Horsemen is to educate users in Leave No Trace principles to minimize adverse impact on our resources.

**Partnerships** We develop working relationships with our local land management to assist in maintaining the trails. NC BCH has worked with Colorado State Forest State Park near Gould, CO to design and build a horse camp at the Closure Campground. We have adopted several trails in the Comanche Peaks Wilderness. We helped in the design and building of horse corrals and campsites at Hermit Park near Estes Park.

**Volunteer Service** BCHA volunteers throughout the United States have contributed 151,910,976 service hours

over it's 22 year history as of 2018. Each year volunteers contribute over \$12 million in volunteer hours.

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**[ncbch.org](http://ncbch.org)**



**Social Opportunities** You will have the opportunity to meet others that enjoy riding and working on the trails. We do social rides, play days, obstacle courses, have cookouts, potlucks and educational meetings. We have the opportunity to meet and ride with people from other chapters throughout the state.



# Purpose of Back Country Horsemen

**To Perpetuate** the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's backcountry and wilderness areas

**To Work** to ensure that the public lands remain open to recreational stock use.

**To Assist** the various government, state and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource.

**To Educate**, encourage and solicit active participation in the use of the backcountry resource by stock users and the general public commensurate with our heritage.

**To Foster** and encourage the formation of new state BCHA chapters

CO State Website: [bhc Colorado.org](http://bhc Colorado.org)

National website: [bcha.org](http://bcha.org)



Closure Horse Campground  
Colorado State Forest



**BCHA members believe that continued horse use, in harmony with the capacity of our public lands, is in the best interest of the majority of Americans. We offer our time and equipment to government agencies for such tasks as packing out trash, clearing, building and improving trails; building trailhead facilities and assisting in planning strategies which will benefit both horsemen and non horsemen.**



## Northern Colorado Back Country Horsemen

**Working to Protect Public Lands Resources**

**Dedicated to Preserving Primitive Historic Pack and Saddle Stock Travel**

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