

Summit Lake Fee Proposal

There are two components to the collection of the fee.

The first component is that a visitor can pay \$10 per car to the U.S. Forest Service at the visitor center located at the base of the Mt. Evans road near Echo Lake. This enables the visitor to go to Mt. Goliath (Federal land), the summit of Mt. Evans (Federal land) and Summit Lake (Denver land). In the past, Denver had an agreement with the Forest Service to receive a portion of this revenue based upon an agreed upon formula. The outcome of the litigation against the Forest Service, however, prohibits this payment arrangement to continue. As a result, we are exploring other options for the City to continue to receive a portion of this revenue.

The second component applies if the visitor does not pay the \$10 to the U.S. Forest Service at the visitor center. This will occur if the visitor says that they are just driving up the road and not stopping at any of the three locations listed above. In this case, if the visitor changes their mind and stops at Summit Lake (the Denver property), the \$5.00 Denver fee will apply. This will be collected via a drop tube located in the Summit Lake parking lot.