

## PASSES, PERMITS

All vehicles entering the park are required to display a current Colorado State Parks Pass on the auto windshield. A daily pass is valid from the day purchased until noon the following day. An annual pass is valid at any Colorado State Park. For annual pass holders who own another car, a multiple pass is available for an additional fee. Passes are available at main park entrances and self-service dispensers.

Colorado residents 64 or older qualify for a special Aspen Leaf annual pass, available at a discounted rate. These allow admission to all state parks every day and reduced-fee camping on weekdays. The regular fee is charged on weekends and holidays.

Colorado disabled veterans displaying Colorado Disabled Veteran (DV) license plates are admitted free without a pass, however, camping fees still apply.

In addition to a parks pass, campers are required to purchase and display a camping permit at their campsite.



## CAMPING

Two separate campgrounds, named Iron Creek and Clear Fork, were improved with extensive construction projects completed in 1997. Both campgrounds can accommodate tents, trailers, and campers; and each has comfortable shower facilities. Iron Creek Campground has electrical and water hookups at each individual campsite; while less expensive Clear Fork does not.

Campers must have a camping permit and a parks pass, both available at the park entrances. Please camp only in designated sites and display the camping permit in the markers at each campsite. The campgrounds are patrolled for your safety and to ensure quiet after 10 p.m.

For camping reservations please call in Denver: (303) 470-1144 and outside Denver: 1-800-678-CAMP (2267) or visit us online at [www.colorado.gov/parks](http://www.colorado.gov/parks).



## DUMP STATION

A holding tank dump station is located in Iron Creek Campground. Please use this facility. It is illegal to dump waste and sewage anywhere else.



## PICNICKING

Several picnic sites are located throughout the park, each with a grill or ring for fires.



## BOATING & WATER RECREATION

Boaters at Crawford State Park are subject to Colorado boating statutes and regulations, which are available in pamphlet form at the entrance or boat ramp safety display.

Water-skiing season at Crawford usually begins in mid-May and ends in mid-August.

Scuba diving is permitted in any safe area. A diver's flag is required.

Swimming is permitted in the swim area only.



## FISHING

Crawford State Park is well known as a quality rainbow trout, perch and crappie fishery. Largemouth bass and catfish are stocked in the reservoir. Northern pike are also caught here.

Fishing is permitted anywhere on the reservoir. Use or possession of live minnows or fish for bait is prohibited.



## WILDLIFE

Beavers, chipmunks, rabbits, skunks and mule deer live in or around the park and may frequently be seen at shoreline late in the evening.

A variety of waterfowl, from western grebes to graceful Canada geese, may be seen at Crawford State Park, either stopping off during migrations or nesting.



## WINTER RECREATION

Cold weather enthusiasts come to Crawford State Park for ice fishing, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling.



## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

All commercial and religious facilities are available in the town of Crawford, one mile north of the park. Medical facilities are found in Paonia, Hotchkiss and Delta.



## ACCESSIBLE FEATURES

Crawford State Park offers a multitude of accessible features such as eight accessible campsites, accessible camper services buildings with accessible showers. There are also accessible fishing sites and accessible trails.

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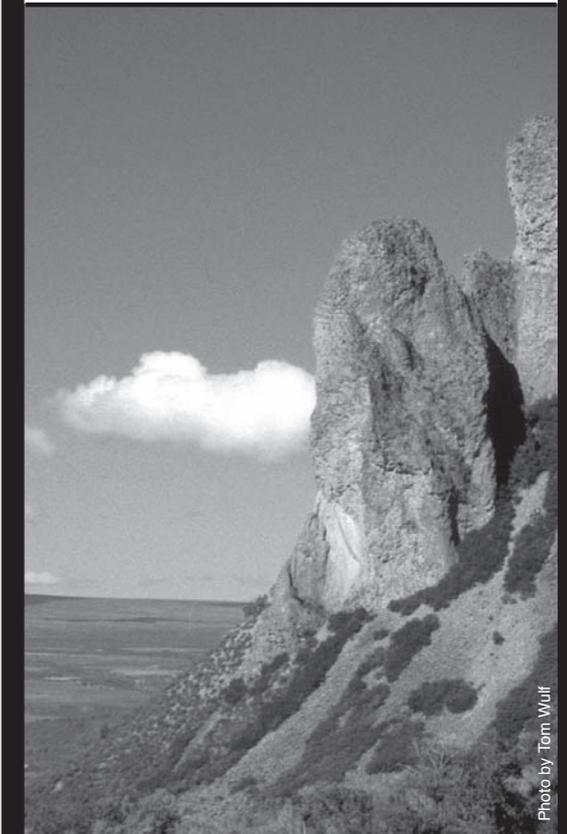


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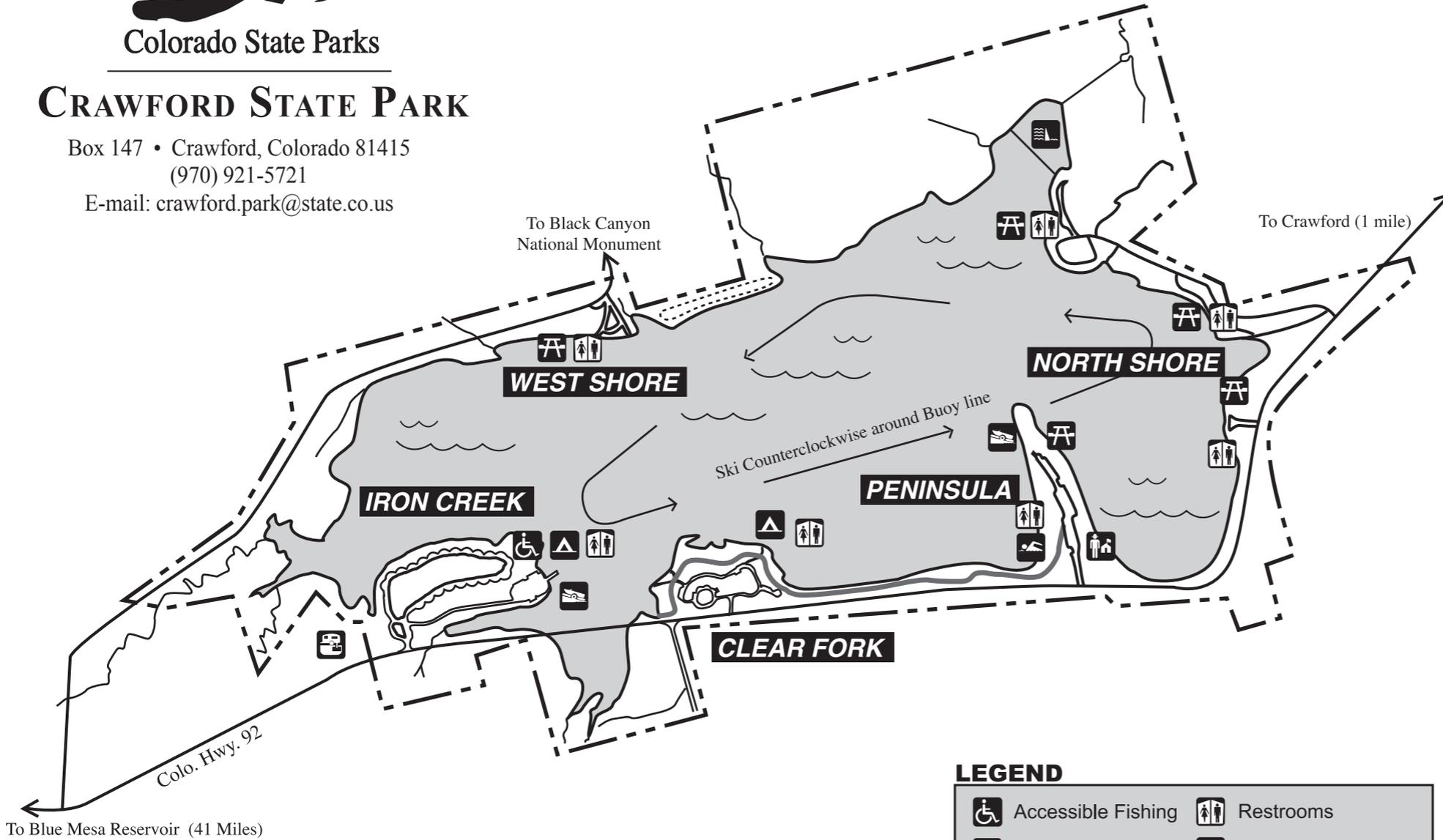
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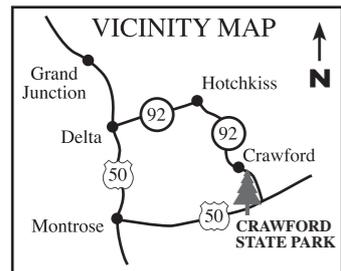
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To Blue Mesa Reservoir (41 Miles)



1000 ft. scale

## LEGEND

	Accessible Fishing		Restrooms
	Boat Ramp		Swim Area
	Dam		Tent Camping
	Dump Station		Water-Skiing Area
	Park Office		Accessible Trail
	Picnic Area		Nature Trail
			Park Boundary

Crawford State Park offers its visitors camping, fishing, watersports, hunting and numerous other leisure time activities in scenic mountainous terrain. The area around the park is almost exclusively cattle country. As the center of the cattle industry in the North Fork area, the nearby town of Crawford sees hundreds of cows herded down main street on their way either to market or mountain pasture. Ranches and farms still surround the park, drawing water from the same reservoir that affords visitors so many recreational opportunities year-round. The park's 6,600 ft. elevation guarantees visitors a mild climate at any season.

The famous and spectacular Black Canyon of the Gunnison is only 12 miles from the park. Nearer landmarks visible from Crawford State Park are Needle Rock, Castle Rock and Saddle Mountain.

Within the boundaries of Crawford State Park are 337 land acres and the 400-acre reservoir, which was built in 1963 by the US Bureau of Reclamation. Colorado State Parks has administered the area since 1965.

## REGULATIONS

Crawford State Park is maintained for your use and enjoyment. In the interests of safety and for preservation of the park, we ask that you:

1. Place trash in the receptacles provided.
2. Keep your vehicle on designated roads and parking lots.
3. Pets must be kept on a leash of no more than six feet long at all times.
4. Use the fire grills or rings provided and be sure your fire is out completely before you leave it.
5. Report any problems to a Colorado State Parks Ranger.