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## CLINETOP ROAD #603

**Road Use:** Moderate (Heavy during hunting season)

**Beginning Elevation:** 6,177

**Elevation Gain:** 3,723

### Access:

- Go east from Rifle to the town of New Castle. Turn right on 7th Street, this street becomes the Buford New Castle Road #245. Continue for 3.5 miles to Main Elk Creek #243 then turn right and continue past the forest boundary via the Clinetop Road.

### Highlights:

This road ascends for ten miles to the top of the mesa. Sections of this road are wash-boarded with numerous switch-backs. In dry conditions, two wheel drive vehicles can travel this route. 4WD is recommended.

This route provides beautiful vistas and meadows covered with wildflowers.

**PACK IT IN - PACK IT OUT!! LEAVE NO TRACE!!**

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