

Beaver Meadow



Beaver Meadow Hike is a long hike requiring 3 - 4 hours to do comfortably. The hike itself is quite mild within ascent and descent. Starting from the dining hall front entrance, follow the road behind chalet towards and past the bathhouse. Cross over the small creek by the Teachers Cabin and then continue on the dirt road over second larger creek.

After crossing bridge, look immediately to your left for the trail heading up past Sai Condo. This is the same trail as Boulder Creek Falls trail. After going past Sai Condo and Boundary Tent, look for a trail veering off right from the main trail which goes up Boulder Creek Falls. It is not well marked but after about 50 yards of walking west through flat grassy area canopied by pines you will see where an old mining road goes up along the hillside. Follow this road/trail around bend of hill and then the trail become quite distinct.

The trail goes through many different types of forest, sometimes being mixed Douglas fir /pine with almost wetland marshy areas below, then mixed pine/aspens, and dense side hill Lodgepole pine. At about the half way point you will see an outcropping of boulders to your right where you can take break and get a wonderful view.

After this point the trail runs along the side of the hill in dense Lodgepole pine for a distance with an incredible view of Sleeping Giant on the northern horizon. After this section, the trail continues through flat areas and a couple reasonably strenuous short ascents until finally it levels out and empties into Beaver Meadow.

There is a usually dry wetland that has an incredible variety of wildflowers throughout the season. Pack a lunch or snack and enjoy the meadow then follow the trail back to the dining hall. Make sure to let staff know where you are heading.

