



# UFTHA ANNUAL PACK TRIP QUEANT LAKE WHITEROCKS DRAINAGE

**When:** August 12 to 15, 2010

**Where:** We will depart from the West Fork Trailhead (see map and instructions accompanying this memo at 10:00 am on Thurs, the 12th and return to the Trailhead about 4:00 pm on Sun, the 15<sup>th</sup>. (There may be some who pull out on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup>, but why give up an extra day of riding?)

We will be packing into the Whiterocks Drainage and camping at Queant Lake

**Cost:** \$100.00 per person. Will cover the cost of the following meals:

Thursday: Late Lunch / Early Dinner  
Friday: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner  
Saturday: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner  
Sunday: Breakfast

**What to Bring:** Personal Care Items  
Tent & Bedding / Sleeping Bag & Air Mattress  
Warm Coat and Slicker or Poncho\*  
Hobbles & Tie lines for each horse  
Hat, Sunglasses, Insect repellent, Sunscreen, etc  
Water bottles and some form of purification process  
*(You will be responsible for packing all of the above on your own horse.)*

Unless you **and** your horse have had considerable experience packing please do not plan on bringing a packhorse. Anyone planning to bring a packhorse please contact Tim Rodee first.

***We will be limiting the ride to the first 20 paid signups. Dead line for signups is August 6<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Tim Rodee if you want to sign up or have any questions.***

\*Keep in mind that we will spend most of our time at or above 10,000 feet in elevation. Night-time temperatures will most likely be 30-40 degrees with freezing weather possible.

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## DIRECTIONS TO TRAILHEAD

Directions for the pack trip to the west fork of the White Rocks River trailhead. Most of the signs along the way will point you toward Chipeta Lake which is where the road eventually ends. We will not be going that far.




Go to Roosevelt. Going East on Hwy 40 out of Roosevelt turn north at the top of the hill, approximately 4.5 miles onto the White Rocks Road (there is a school on the corner). Continue on this road past the town of White Rocks going north. About 17.2 miles from Hwy 40 the road will abruptly turn east and angle back North again in about 1.75 miles. Continue North for 2.25 miles where you will turn left (west) the road will shortly turn gravel for the rest of the ride. Continue up the mountain on this road for about 14.5 miles where the road forks west and north east. Take the right fork north (if you go to the pole creek campground you missed the turn.). Go north for about 3.75 miles where you will turn right (west) toward the trailhead before you reach the West Fork of White Rocks River. The trailhead is about 0.8 of a mile from the turn off. From the turn off of Hwy 40 it is about 42 miles to the trail head.

West Fork Whiterocks has 20 vehicle parking places, campsites (in case you want to come up Wednesday night) toilets, corrals and a stock unloading ramp. There's no water, but four separate springs can be found along the trail.

It is about 5 miles from the trailhead to Queant Lake. Several of us are going in either Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. Let Tim Rodee know if you want to come in early.

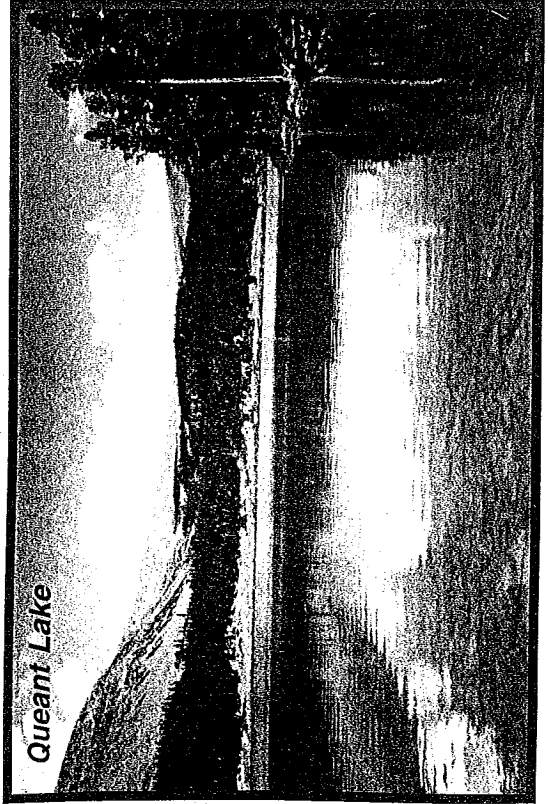
Hope to see you there!!!!

# Queant Lake

<b>Trip Planner:</b>   			
Miles	5	Usage	Heavy
Elevation	10,652	Campsites	Good
Elev. Gain	650	Springwater	Yes
Drainage	Whiterocks	Fishing	Fair
Trailhead	West Fork	Horsefeed	Excellent
Near Town	Whiterocks	Firewood	Limited

A gentle hike, great camping, and a chance to get away from the masses....perhaps these are the reasons why Queant Lake is so popular. While you're likely to have neighbors here, its a whole lot better than spending the night with the RVs and roadside tenters. Besides, not all backpackers are loners. Many actually enjoy a little company, as long as backcountry etiquette is followed.

Queant Lake is big enough to handle the pressure. It's a long walk around its fifty-seven acres, and there are plenty of campsites, horse feed, and spring water. Look for the latter along the northern shore. You will have little difficulty finding a ready made camp. All you'll have to do is move in.



If Queant doesn't suit your tastes, head north another 3/4 mile to Ogden Lake. It sees far fewer hikers than Queant, and offers just as many amenities. Campsites and horse feed are abundant, and a large spring flows into the north end.

Angling at Queant, Ogden, and Cleveland lakes may only be fair. This area does entertain a lot of fishermen. Plan on working a little harder here than you would on some of the more remote lakes, and stay with the basics. Small flies (#16) in the late evenings and early mornings should yield at least enough trout for a pleasant meal. There is also a good-looking stream below Queant that should produce some small trout.

Queant Lake is a great place to introduce someone to backpacking, particularly young boys. The trip is not taxing, and there is loads of room to run and explore without leaving the proximity of the lake. Everyone has to begin somewhere, and Queant Lake provides an ideal setting for beginners. Hey, even us old-timers like a nice easy outing once in a while.

