

**ACCESS POINTS:** Take U.S. Hwy 285 south from Fairplay 1.3 miles to County Road 18 (Fourmile Creek Forest Access Road). Turn right on County Road 18 and drive west about 3.5 miles to the Tie Hack Trailhead on the right. (This is also known as Forest Service Road 182).

**LENGTH:** 3.0 MILES / SUMMER  
5.0 MILES / WINTER

**SEASON:** YEAR ROUND

**DIFFICULTY:** MODERATE~ SUMMER  
MODERATE TO  
DIFFICULT ~ WINTER

**USGS MAP 7:** FAIRPLAY WEST

**USE:** HIKING, MOUNTAIN BIKING,  
HORSES, CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING,  
SNOWSHOEING

**RECOMMENDATION:** Check with the Forest Service Office in Fairplay about prevailing snow conditions, as this area does not always have adequate snow. This trail is reserved for cross-country skiers and snowshoes only during the winter.

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:** After heavy snows, the road may not be plowed all the way to the Forest Road 182. If you have to park before the intersection of CR 18 and FSR 182, plan for an additional 2 miles. Summer users can hike or drive the 4WD road from CR 18 and FS 182 to the trailhead sign from the intersection parking. (About 1 mile)

**ATTRACTIONS:** This old logging trail loop can be travelled in either direction through stands of pine and aspen. The trail goes through timber stands that have been

cut in the past for railroad ties. A 'tie-hack' was a worker who shaped railroad ties with hand tools in the early days of the railroad. The trail is not groomed but is well marked by blue diamonds. The trail is a mixture of single track and logging road so watch for the blue diamond markers carefully. Bikers, in particular, should be aware that there are several areas of exposed, loose rock. The trail can be very narrow in spots. There are several moderately steep pitches in the trail. Traversing the loop in a clockwise direction will allow most of these steep pitches to be negotiated going uphill. The trail gets its 'difficult' rating based on skiing and the direction chosen.

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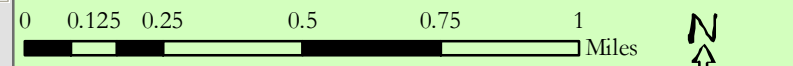
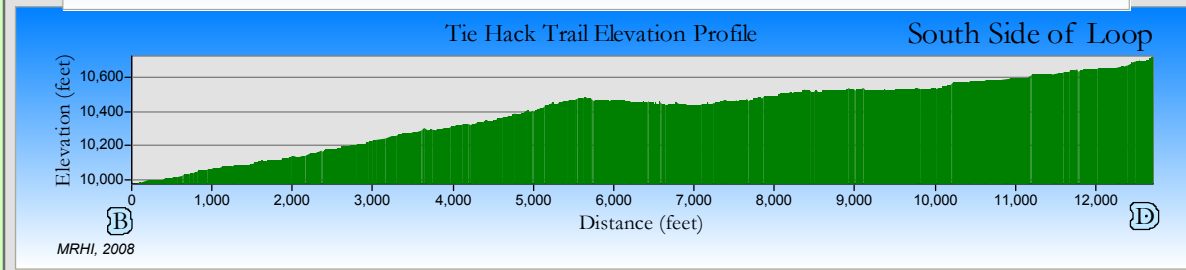
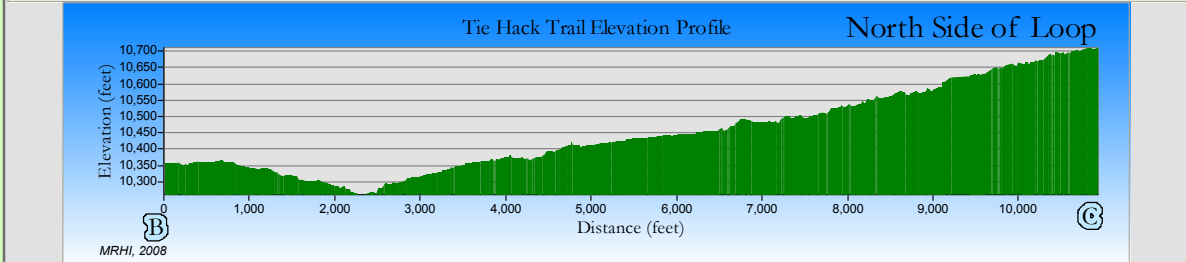
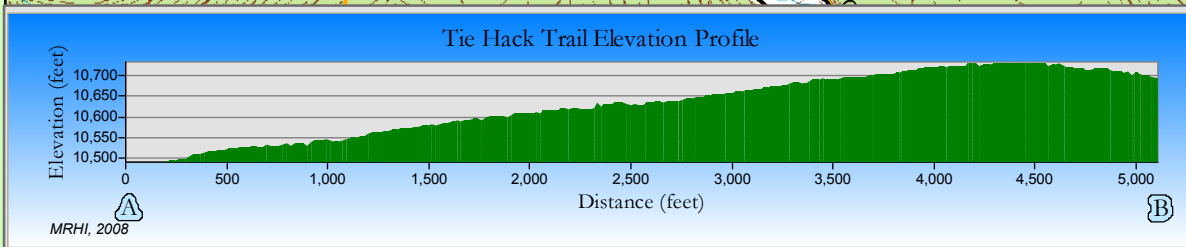
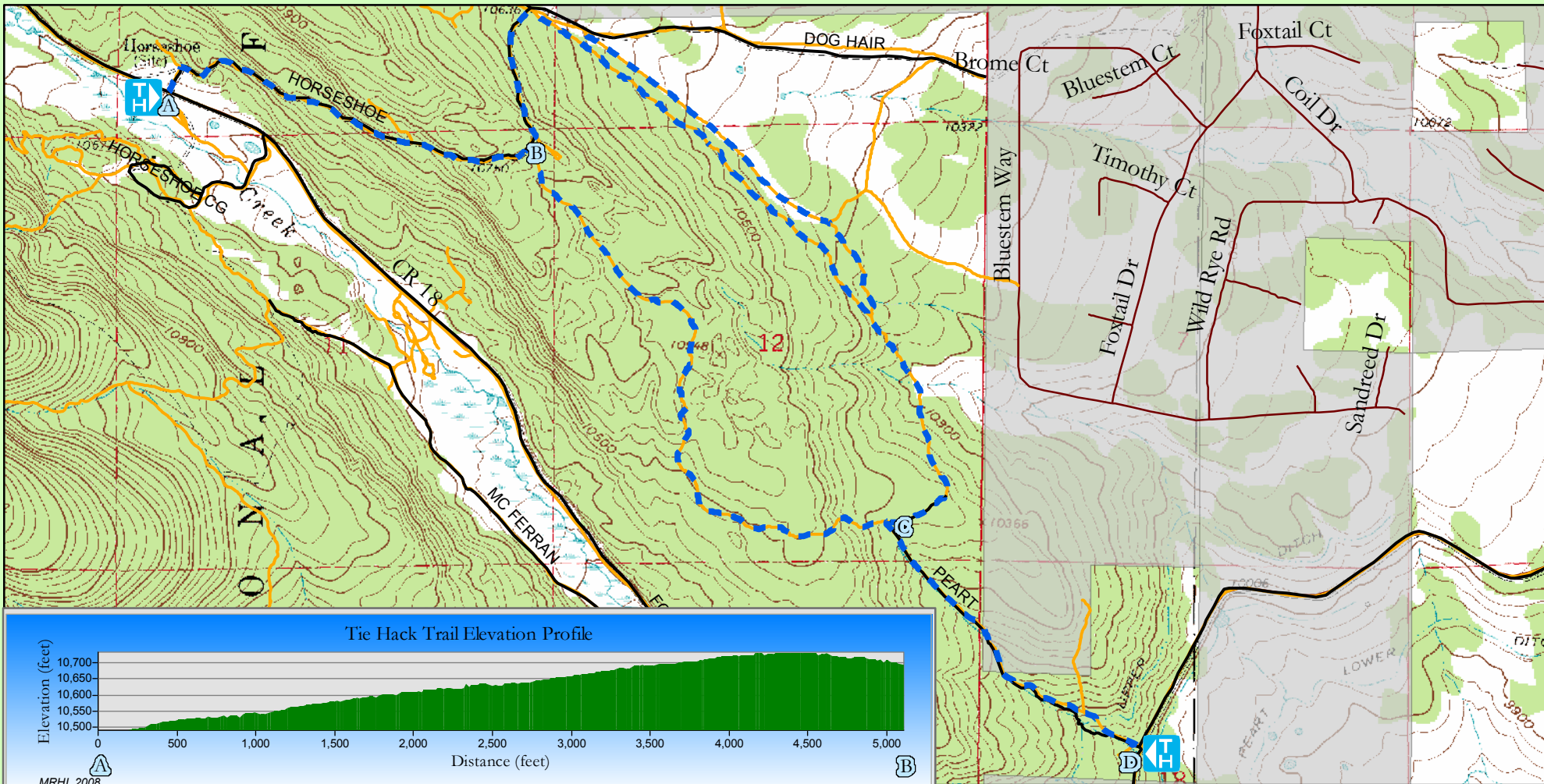
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- Minor Road
- Local
- Private Land

- Winter X-Country Skiing
- Summer Hiking