

Colorado Scientific Society “No Moss” Hike, Huntsman Gulch

Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 8 am

Huntsman Gulch is on the north side of US 6 in Clear Creek Canyon, about 3.9 miles west of the intersection of US 6 with CO 93 and CO 58 west of Golden.

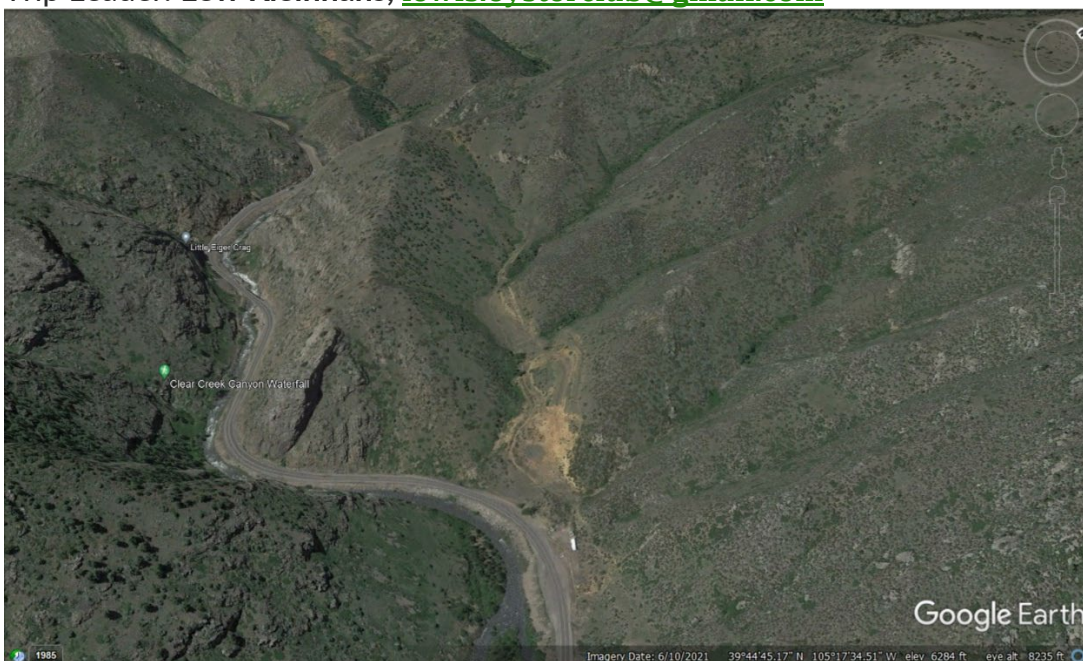
[Location of Huntsman Gulch on Google Maps.](#) The map will be centered on the parking for Huntsman Gulch. (Huntsman Gulch is not labeled on Google Maps.)

Time: Meet at 8 am in Huntsman Gulch parking area, in front of rock barricade on north side of US 6 in Clear Creek Canyon.

Plan: This hike will about a three-hour loop hike up the Huntsman Gulch trail to the saddle overlooking Guy Gulch; and then back along the ridge above Clear Creek. Foci will include the fault splay off the Junction Ranch fault, including large boulders in the parking lot, old quarry exposure, and location of Crystal Cave; “recent” sediments below Huntsman Gulch fork above quarry; cross-cutting pegmatite; unconsolidated gravels on slopes / ridge to the north (we won’t hike here); view from saddle overlooking Guy Gulch; ridge-top hike back to barite-base-metal prospect above quarry; and back down to trail. **Note: Hike involves about 700 feet of elevation gain on the partly steep trail with some loose gravel; and finally, an about 400-foot drop back to the trail on a steep, largely trail-free, vegetated slope.**

Note also that Sunday, November 6, is the **end of Daylight Savings time**, and that you should set your clocks back 1 hour before going to bed Saturday night. If you fail to do so, you will arrive at the meeting spot 1 hour early... which won’t be the end of the world.

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[Huntsman Gulch Trail](#) description on alltrails.com

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