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Re: Colorado Rocky Mountain High!!!

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ewall wrote:

Awesome post and what a great fishing experience! I have never been out west to fish but it has been on my mind ever since I started fly fishing. I too would love to target the Colorado area and definitely hit up a high mountain lake. Is now (summer) a good time to be fishing out west with the mountain run off like you mentioned? How were the water temps and flows?

The summer is a great time to go out west. There are some drawbacks during that time though. First of all the crowds during summer are terrible compared to other times of the year. The summer is also right in the middle of fire season. Fires are hard to predict, but a good snowpack will help. Runoff is usually done by the middle of July, but that varies from year to year. August is usually a safe bet to miss the runoff. I was in Montana two years ago during the week of July 4th. Runoff just peaked and the rivers were raging. The Gallatin River was at the highest it ever was while I was there. They had a great snowpack and the fishing was great all summer after runoff subsided, unfortunately after I left.