



## ECENTRIC BM COUNTY HIGHPOINT - UINTAS



**Rating:** Easy Hiking.

**Length:** 7 miles / 4-6 hours

**Gear:** Standard Hiking Gear

**Maps:** Whiterocks Lake, UT

**Water:** None

**Season:** Summer, Fall

**Waypoints:**

Trailhead	12T 584101mE 4521114mN N40° 50' 12" W110° 00' 09"
Gully	12T 584239mE 4520313mN N40° 49' 46" W110° 00' 03"
Eccentric BM	12T 586517mE 4518120mN N40° 48' 34" W109° 58' 27"
Chepeta BM	12T 586642mE 4518172mN N40° 48' 36" W109° 58' 22"

## Hype

Eccentric BM is the highpoint of both Daggett and Uintah counties. The highpoint itself is not particularly spectacular, but the hike in and views along the way make it worthwhile. The majority of visitors are likely county highpoint tickers. As county highpoints go, this one is moderate. The route also bags the peak unofficially known as Dagget Peak en route. Be sure to get an early start, like all Uinta mountains peaks, afternoon thunderstorms are frequent and you don't want to get caught above treeline in one.

Note: This hike can be done from Chepta Lake as well, to the south, however is a longer drive from the Wasatch Front and doesn't seem quite as scenic as coming in from Spirit Lake. There is a campground at the trailhead, but also ample primitive camping along the road before the campground. This is a great place to spend a weekend tagging the high point, and visiting some of the many small lakes in the area. Spirit Lake Lodge, built in 1936 and located at the trailhead, offers lodging options for those not wanting to camp.

Reaching the trailhead is generally possible in most vehicles, though quite a bit of it is direct and can be a bit rutted in spots.

**Tags:** county highpoint, peak, hike, dog friendly, family friendly, access: 2wd

## Trailhead

From Mountain View, Wyoming, travel east on state road 414 toward Lonetree for about 25 miles to mile post 132.5. This is several miles past the small town of Lonetree. Reset your odometer as you leave the highway and turn onto Sweetwater County Road #1 on the right. (Signed for Spirit Lake).

- 2.2 miles - Utah State Line, the road becomes Daggett County Road #1

- 7.0 miles - Gate
- 13.2 miles - Junction, go right toward Spirit Lake. Eccentric BM is visible from this junction almost directly due south.
- 19.0 miles - Spirit Lake on the right.
- 19.5 miles - Campground, stay left toward the lodge.
- 19.7 miles - Trailhead on the left, just before crossing a bridge and reaching Spirit Lake Lodge. This is the Spirit - Tamarack Trail #24

## Route

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Summit: 3742 m ( 12277 ft. )

Trailhead: 3113 m ( 10214 ft. )

From the trailhead, follow the trail a couple of minutes to the first log bridge crossing the small stream. Leave the trail here before crossing the stream and follow it up as it meanders to a small pond. From the pond, go south through a grassy meadow for about 5 minutes until the intermittent stream comes down a gully on the left. The gully is very wooded at the bottom, but becomes easier to follow shortly.

Navigation is a little tricky until above treeline. If in doubt, work south east up the hill.

Once above treeline at about 11,000', it is easy navigation south east up to the summit of Daggett Peak. The summit of Daggett Peak offers great views south to Chepeta Lake, north east to Daggett Lake, and north west to Spirit Lake area and the lakes nearby. Continue south east down the ridge, across the saddle, and up the very rounded hill to the east. Eccentric BM and Chepeta BM are both on top, surrounded by large cairns a short distance apart.

Most will want to return the same way, however those with energy may want to follow the ridgeline west from Daggett Peak and descent down the Fish Lake Trail.

