

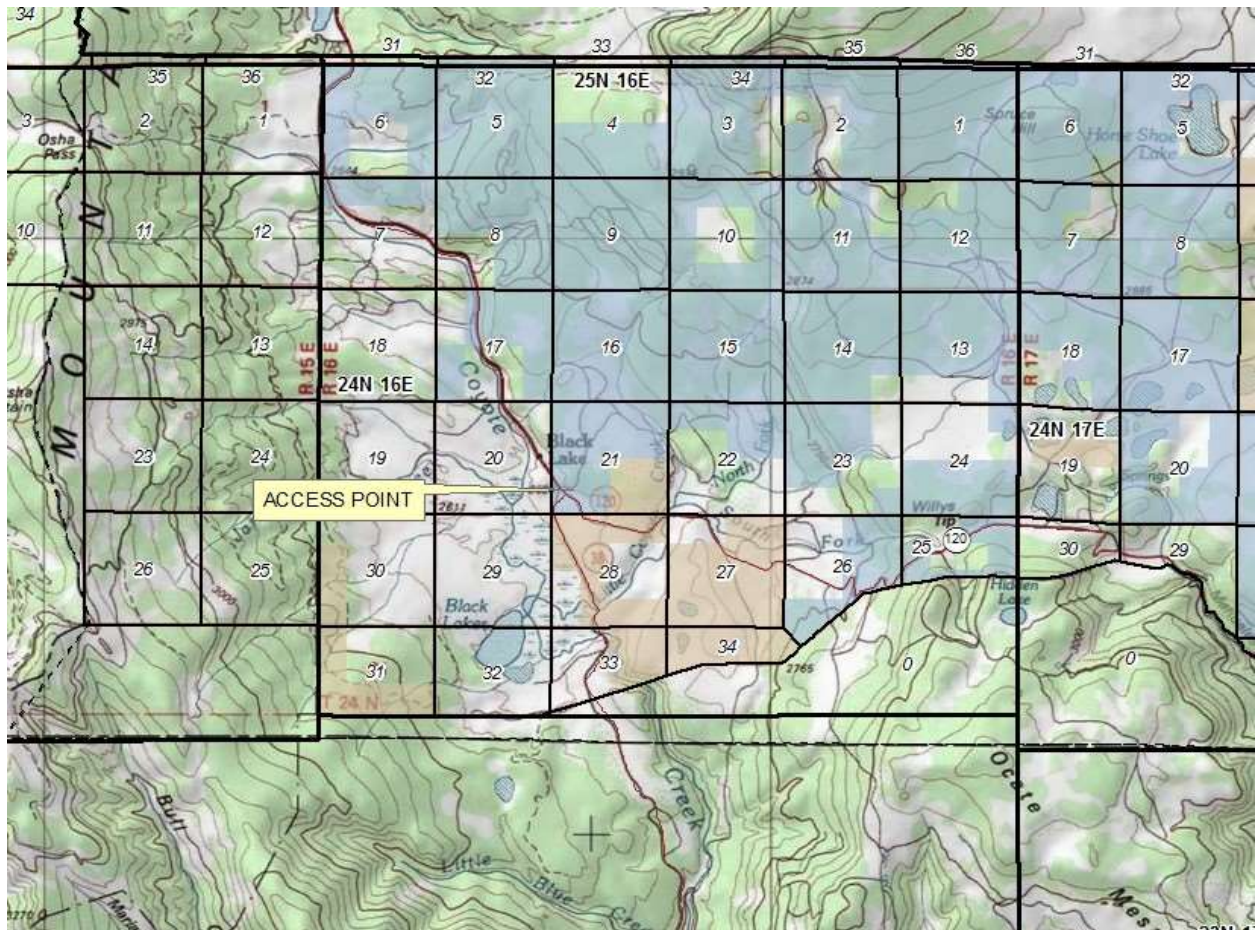
Coyote Creek Area – Colfax County

T24N, R16E, Sec. 21 (Access point)

Not far from the Village of Angel Fire emerges the Coyote Creek area, a breathtaking expanse of rugged forest. Coyote Creek offers thousands of acres of varied terrain that beckons to hikers, bikers, and winter enthusiasts. In addition to stunning vistas and open meadows, Coyote Creek is home to diverse flora from bristlecone and ponderosa pine to awe-inspiring stands of aspen and fauna such as deer and elk making it a perfect place to spend a day communing with nature.

The varied terrain boasts numerous offerings for recreationists ranging in skill from novices to veteran outdoor enthusiasts. Visitors should be mindful that, while there are no established trail systems, a network of dirt and two-track roads offers many contiguous miles to explore. Typical hiking gear is recommended for hikers traveling the two-track road network or the adventurous bushwhackers seeking a more organic and primal hike off the beaten path. Mountain and gravel grinding bicyclists can navigate the existing two-tracks and service roads and cover significant mileage on their adventure. This road network is ideal for bikers looking to discover new turf during the spring, summer and fall. During the winter months, visitors can satisfy their outdoor recreational cravings with cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and sledding.

Getting there: The Coyote Creek access point is located approximately five miles south of Angel Fire at the intersection of NM-434 and NM-120 (-105.255 36.294 decimal degrees). About 200 feet north of this intersection, a dirt road on the right as you head north rises steeply to a cattle guard and then turns sharply to the right. Following this road for about a half mile will lead to a designated campsite for hunters which is a good place to park if space is available. Avoid using roads when muddy conditions would create deep tire ruts. Four-wheeled drive vehicles are recommended.



NOTE: BLUE SHADED LAND IS STATE TRUST LAND

THINGS TO KNOW:

- * Recreational users of State Trust Lands must have a recreational access permit to access these lands. You can apply for the permit here: <https://openforadventure.nmstatelands.org/>
- * Obey all postings/respect private property.
- * No digging for or collecting cultural artifacts.
- * SLO operates under a multiple-use concept therefore visitors may encounter other permitted users on-site.
- * We strongly recommend visitors to trust lands carry and utilize a GPS device to avoid trespassing on to lands not managed by the NMSLO.
- * Visitors are not allowed to manipulate any of the site's improvements and are prohibited from interfering with the ranching operations.
- * Please try to minimize your use footprint and pack out all trash. [Leave No Trace](#).
- * Please be attentive to weather reports. Storms can form quickly.
- * Pack appropriate clothing for the season. During spring, summer and fall, typical day-hiking gear is recommended.
- * Please be aware of prohibited activities under the [Recreational Access Permit](#).

For more information, please call 505-827-5760