



Please Remember The Trails Safe Passing Plan



TRAILS SAFE PASSING PLAN: STOP! SPEAK, and STAND BACK

STOP:

Horses are prey animals and naturally can be afraid of unfamiliar people and objects. Horses have natural "flight" survival instincts and prefer to move their feet towards an exit route. Therefore, people with horses should pass at a walk while other trail users remain STOPPED until passed.

SPEAK:

Please ANNOUNCE your presence.
Please SAY "Hi" when we pass by.
Speaking helps horses identify you as a person and will help keep them calm.

STAND BACK:

Please STAND BACK with your whole group on the same side of the trail.
Please contain children and dogs.
Please do not hide or stand behind a tree, as these actions may cause horses to fear you are a predator planning an attack.

SMILE:

Enjoy the safe and happy trails! Please contact the Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council for use of the Stop! Speak, and Stand Back sign at: RFVHC.Colorado@gmail.com