

Hugo CCC Camp

OFF THE TRAIL

County: Lincoln
Site Name: Hugo Civilian
Conservation Corps Camp
Approximate Location: Just west
of Hugo, on the north side of
Highway 40/287



President Franklin D. Roosevelt created the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1933 as part of the New Deal Legislation. The aim of CCC was to provide unemployed men across the nation with a job after the Great Depression, while also helping to conserve the nation's natural resources. And unlike other New Deal programs, the CCC Camps were administered by the federal War Department. In fact, some military leaders treated the CCC camps as training camps for the regular army.

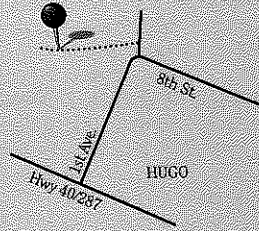
CCC workers earned pocket money, while a portion of their pay was sent home to their families. They had good food, regular hours and medical care, and were able to utilize training programs. It was a win-win situation for everyone!

The camp at Hugo was one of the first four supervised camps on the Eastern Plains, and it was one of Colorado's most active as well. As a result, Hugo prospered.

To learn about the camp's historic work, and its contributions to the area, just go off the beaten trail a little, and take a look!



OBT Directions



- Head to Hugo Highway 40/287
- North on 1st Avenue to 8th Street
- Find the sign for Coulson Exercise and Nature Park
- Park your car and take the walking path to the left about 1/3 mile to the destination

OBT Since You're in the Area

- Check out the roundhouse and all of its history.
- Sit down to a delicious breakfast in Hugo, just like Teddy Roosevelt did in 1903.
- In town, find the old-fashioned soda fountain.
- Visit the Hedlund House Museum.*

* Please visit www.ourjourney.info for opening dates/times.

OBT Geocache Information

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| Coordinates | N 39° 08.398 W 103° 28.777 |
| Size of Cache Box | Regular |
| Difficulty Level | Easy |
| Terrain Rating | Easy |

Treasure location clue: Take a seat, but watch your back.

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