## BOULDER COUNTY PLACE NAMES

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<td>Boulder Junction</td>
<td>On BNSF tracks where Valmont Power Plant is. At NW corner of 63rd and Arapahoe Rd. CO 7.</td>
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<td>Brainerd</td>
<td>Stop on Switzerland Trail RR line (Sunset to Ward)</td>
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<td>Broomfield</td>
<td>Broomcorn growing in the vicinity inspired the naming of this community. Grew up around the railroad station known as Zang’s Spur – for Adolph Zang, a Denver brewing company executive. Post Office September 26, 1884. <em>1001 Colorado Place Names</em>, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 25.</td>
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Camp Eldorado  One of original names for town of Eldora. 1001 Colorado Place Names, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 4.

Camp Talcott  Permanent mining camp dates from late 1890s. In Left Hand Canyon, below Ward at Hanging Rock. (Colorado Ghost Towns, Robert L. Brown, 1972, no. 14, p. 71-74)

Canfield  On RR line between Boulder and Erie (that goes through Valmont), 1 mile due west of Erie and 4 miles due east of Clifton. State of Colorado 1892, U.S. Department of Interior, General Land Office, compiled from the official records of the General Land Office and other sources. Map.


Cardinal (City)  Dates from 1870, 2 miles below and east of Caribou, platted by J.D. Peregrine in the valley of Coon or North Beaver Creek. Folded in the 1890s. New Cardinal built about 1904 downhill from old Cardinal, also below Boulder County Mine. (Colorado Ghost Towns, Robert L. Brown, 1972, no. 15, p. 75-78)


Cherryvale

Cliff  Name used for railroad station at Pinecliffe. See Pinecliffe.
Clifton  

Coal Park  

Copperdale  
South of Gross Dam on Boulder/Jefferson County boundary.  Above Denver, Rio Grande and Western RR line.

Copper Rock  
Four Mile Canyon On Greeley, Salt Lake and Pacific RR line between Boulder and Pennsylvanial Gulch (now known as Sunset)  Sunday May 1, 2011 *Boulder Camera*, Sylvia Pettem “Narrow-gauge Railroad Connected Boulder to the Mountains”  p. 2D

Crescent  
South of Gross Dam

Crisman  
In Four Mile Canyon on Four Mile Canyon Dr. CR 118 north side of road, about 1.5 miles southeast of Salina.  On Switzerland Trail.  Named after Obed Crisman who built an ore concentration mill in the mid-1870’s.  Post Office July 1876- June 1894 and January 1898-May 1918.  *1001 Colorado Place Names*, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas,  p. 49.

Eagle Peak

Eldora  
Known originally as Happy Valley, then Eldorado and Camp Eldorado. Boomed in 1890’s.  Name changed to Eldora when post office established to avoid confusion with other Eldorados.  Post Office February 1897-September 1977.  *1001 Colorado Place Names*, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas,  p. 64.
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Eldorado Springs


Erie


Ferberite

In Boulder Canyon. Ferberite mines were actively worked in 1917 for tungsten.

Ferncliff

Fisher


Frances

Town near Ward and Switzerland Trail RR line (Sunset to Ward)

Gato

Name used for railroad station at Pinecliffe. See Pinecliffe.

Glendale

In Lefthand Canyon 1 mile west of Lee Hill Rd on CO 106

Gold Hill


Grand Island

Up Fourth of July Road CR 111, about 1 mile north of Hessie

Gunbarrel

Dates from 1860 – as Alonzo N. Allen was hauling logs for a cabin NE of Boulder, a straight road was blazed by him and followed by teamsters. Road gone but name perpetuated in Gunbarrel Hill and residential area


Hygiene  Established in 1861. After an early sanitarium, Hygiene Home, established by a Dunkard preacher, Jacob S. Flory. A group from Pella, Iowa settled near the present town and called the place Pella, a post office later was moved northeast and the settlement called North Pella. The Reverend Flory built between the two Pellas, and was the first postmaster of the town, which absorbed the two Pellas and became Hygiene. During 1870’s members of Church of the Brethren (known as Dunkards) settled in the area. Post Office June 25, 1883. *1001 Colorado Place Names*, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas,  p. 104.


Liggett  On abandoned RR at 95th St. about 0.5 miles north of Valmont Rd.


Lyons  Edward S. Lyon settled the area about 1880. He founded the town and was the first postmaster. Lyons sandstone quarry was a big local business. Post Office May 18, 1882-present.  *1001 Colorado Place Names*, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 128.

Marshall  
In the early 1860’s Joseph Marshall built a blast furnace on South Boulder Creek. The blast furnace was name Belle Monte and was soon shown on maps as Bellemonte or Belmont. Before long Marshall was concentrating on coal production. Post Office named Langford (the mine manager) and Gorham (for Gorham mine), but locals only called the settlement Marshall. Post Office August 2, 1878-January 15, 1942 (many gaps). *1001 Colorado Place Names*, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 132. On today’s CO 93, approximately where two railroad lines meet. *State of Colorado 1892*, U.S. Department of Interior, General Land Office, compiled from the official records of the General Land Office and other sources. Map.

Meeker Park  

Miramonte  
Just south of Gross Reservoir just southwest of present-day Walker Ranch. North of Coal Creek Rd. CO 72.

Mitchell  

Mont Alto Park  
RR stop on Switzerland trail line between Sunset and Ward. Was a railroad-owned picnic pavilion between Sunset and Ward that became a tourist destination. Four Mile Canyon On Greeley, Salt Lake and Pacific RR line between Boulder and Pennsylvania Gulch (now known as Sunset) Sunday May 1, 2011 Boulder Camera, Sylvia Pettem “Narrow-gauge Railroad Connected Boulder to the Mountains” p. 2D

Nederland  
First called Dayton or Brownsville (for early settler Nathan Brown), later called Middle Boulder (1871-1874) after Middle Boulder Creek. Dutch investors organized the mining company Nederland in 1873 and also bought the Caribous mine in nearby Caribou. Post Office September 13,

**Niwot**


**Noland**


**Orodell**

In Four Mile Canyon on Greeley, Salt Lake and Pacific RR line between Boulder and Pennsylvania Gulch (now known as Sunset) Sunday May 1, 2011 *Boulder Camera*, Sylvia Pettem “Narrow-gauge Railroad Connected Boulder to the Mountains” p. 2D. At the intersection of Four Mile Canyon Dr. and Boulder Canyon Rd.

**Pella**


**Pinecliffe**


**Pullen**

May be in Larimer County.

**Raymond**


**Riverside**

On St. Vrain Canyon Rd. (Middle St. Vrain Ck.) Co 7 North of Raymond
Rock Creek

Rowena  Left Hand Canyon about 1 mile west of Glendale, 2 miles east of Lickskillet Rd.


Silver Spruce

Springdale  On the banks of James (Jim) Creek, a tributary of Left Hand Creek. Famous for mineral springs – the water was bottled and sold nationally. Not-so-successful telluride mining camp from 1874. Seven miles north and four miles west of Boulder. Springdale was listed in the Colorado Business Directory for the first time in 1877. It became a health resort after 1880. Only 40 permanent residents were there in 1890. Destroyed in 1894 flood. (*Colorado Ghost Towns*, Robert L. Brown, 1972, no. 53, p. 253-258)

Sugar Loaf  On Sugarloaf Rd, CR 122 southeast side and downhill from Sugarloaf Mountain.

Sunset  In Four Mile Canyon. At end of Four Mile Canyon Dr. where Four Mile Creek branches into north and south branches. On Switzerland Trail.
Four Mile Canyon On Greeley, Salt Lake and Pacific RR line between Boulder and Pennsylvania Gulch (now known as Sunset) Sunday May 1, 2011 Boulder Camera, Sylvia Pettem “Narrow-gage Railroad Connected Boulder to the Mountains” p. 2D. First called Pennsylvania Gulch. At a junction of the Switzerland Trail RR where tracks diverged into northern (Ward) and southern (Eldora) lines. Post Office September 25, 1883-November 15, 1921 (many gaps). 1001 Colorado Place Names, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 203.

Sunshine


Superior


Tungsten


Valmont

The name comes from early settlers combining the words valley and mountain. Post Office September 15, 1865-June 29, 1901. NW corner 63rd and Valmont Rd. and south of Valmont Butte at site of Stazio Fields. 1001 Colorado Place Names, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 187.

Wall Street

In Four Mile Canyon on Four Mile Canyon Dr. - 1.5-2 miles west of Salina on CR 118. Four Mile Canyon On Greeley, Salt Lake and Pacific
RR line between Boulder and Pennsylvania Gulch (now known as Sunset) Sunday May 1, 2011 Boulder Camera, Sylvia Pettem “Narrow-gauge Railroad Connected Boulder to the Mountains” p. 2D. first known ad Sugar Loaf and Delphi. Received a large amount of capital investment from New York, hence the renaming. Post Office October 31, 1895-April 18, 1898 (as Delphi) and to September 15, 1921 as Wall Street. 1001 Colorado Place Names, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 220.

Ward “District” Gold camp established in 1860 as Columbia 18 miles northwest of Boulder and 6 miles from Gold Hill and 8 miles north of the later site of Caribou. Incorporated in 1896. (Colorado Ghost Towns, Robert L. Brown, 1972, no. 60, p. 285-289). Miner Calvin Ward found gold there in 1860. Forty years later, HAW Tabor came to the Ward area with Baby Doe and his two daughters. He worked several mines there in 1897-98 before being appointed the Denver Postmaster. The town has also been known as Tabor City. Post Office January 13, 1863-present. 1001 Colorado Place Names, Maxine Benson, 1994, University Press of Kansas, p. 221.


Wondervu Named for its spectacular view of the Continental Divide.

References

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Allenspark
Altona
Ara
Arrowwood
Aspen Meadows
Balarat
Bark Ranch
Big Elk Meadows
Boulder
Boulder Junction
Canfield
Caribou City

Coal Creek
Copperdale
Crescent
Crescent Village
Crisman
Dominion
El Vado
Eldora
Eldorado Springs
Eldora
Erie
Ferncliff
Glendale
Gold Hill
Gold Run
Gooding
Gunbarrel
Hidden Lake
Highland
Hygiene
Jamestown
Lafayette
Lake Shore Park
Lazy Acres
Leyner
Liggett
Longmont
Louisville
Lyons
Magnolia
Marnett
Marshall
Miramont
Morey
Mountain Meadows
Nederland
Ninemile Corner
Niwot
Noland
Oradell
Orodell
Paragon Estates
Peaceful Valley
Pine Brook Hill
Pine Valley
Pleasant View Ridge
Raymond
Ridgewood
Riverside
Rowena
Saint Anne Highlands
Salina
Seven Hills
Silver Springs
Silver Spruce
Springdale
Sugarloaf
Summerville
Sunnyside
Sunset
Sunshine
Superior
Switzerland Park
Tabor
Tall Timber
Valmont
Wallstreet
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Wheelman
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