

Gunnison County

Taylor River District

The Taylor River District lies in northeastern Gunnison and is described by Dunn (2003) as including or overlapping several other districts. Henderson (1926) listed the Taylor River District in his comprehensive compilation of Colorado Districts, but named it as synonymous with the **Tincup, Taylor Park and Forest Hill Districts**. Vanderwilt (1947) listed the Taylor River District as equivalent to the **Dorchester District**. Harder (1909) discussed iron ore deposits in the **Taylor Peak District**, which appears to cover the same territory as the **Taylor River District**. The website www.mindat.org lists the Taylor River District as containing the Forest Hill Vein, and includes the **Taylor River Placers** with the Taylor Peak District. It's obvious that much confusion exists and none of these districts are well defined.

We have shown the Taylor River District as occupying the basin of the Taylor River between the Taylor Park and Dorchester Districts, extending east to the **Silverside District**. Please note that this has been done without overwhelming evidence and with less confidence.

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