General Permit Closure Criteria for Recreational Dredging Permit

The following criteria were developed by the interagency committee to address those reaches or sections of streams to be closed off to recreational dredging under the state-wide, general Recreational Dredging and Sluicing (RD&S) Application. These criteria will be applied to all streams within the State of Utah in order to determine which reaches or sections of streams are closed for recreational dredging under the recreational dredging permit. Streams closed to recreational dredging may be available for dredging/mining under other existing permitting processes. The closure criteria are as follows:

- 1. Areas of critical habitat for aquatic and terrestrial Threatened and Endangered species are off-limits year round. Areas of seasonal use by Threatened and Endangered aquatic or terrestrial species are off-limits during their period of use.
- 2. Areas where candidate or state sensitive aquatic and terrestrial animal species are located are proposed to be off-limits during periods of use by the species. Candidate plant species habitat is off-limits year round until it can be determined that the activity would not cause the plant species to be listed as threatened or endangered.
- 3. Division of Wildlife Resources Class I waterways are proposed to be off-limits year round. Class II and high value waterways are proposed to be off-limits seasonally. High value waterways are important for spawning or rearing, or are highly productive for fish. Times of closure would correspond to spawning and periods of peak recreational fishing.
- 4. The United States Forest Service (USFS) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will determine limitation on RD&S activities in multiple use areas in accordance with their resource management plans.
- 5. Designated or Nominated Wild and Scenic waterways are off-limits year round.
- 6. Designated Wilderness Areas, Wilderness Study Areas, and BLM Designated Areas of Critical Environmental Concern are off-limits year round.
- 7. Designated Municipal Watersheds are off-limits year round (listing to be provided by USFS).
- 8. National Parks and National Monuments are off-limits year round.
- 9. Designated Indian Reservation Lands and Indian Trust Lands, including lands in dispute, are off-limits year round.
- 10. All state owned waterways, state parks and school sections are off-limits year round, unless the operator has obtained a mineral lease.
- 11. Areas designated as closed to off-road vehicle use as defined in 43 CFR 8340 are off-limits year round.

These criteria would close an area to dredging activities under the general Recreational Dredging and Sluicing permit, and be utilized when evaluating joint permit applications which involve dredging or sluicing on natural streams under other permit processes.

USFS contact list for notification prior to activity and other comments or question:

Minidoka (Burley) Ranger District 3650 South Overland Ave. Burley, ID 83318 ph: 208-678-0430 fax: 208-677-4878

Ogden Ranger District 507 25th Street, Ste. 103 Ogden, UT 84401 Ph: 801-625-5112 fax: 801-625-5914

Salt Lake Ranger District 6944 South 3000 East Salt Lake City, UT 84121 ph: 801-733-2660 fax: 801-733-2684

Pleasant Grove Ranger District 390 North 100 East Pleasant Grove, UT 84062 ph: 801-785-3563 fax: 801-785-6932

Spanish Fork Ranger District 44 West 400 North Spanish Fork, UT 84660 ph: 801-798-3571 fax: 801-798-3050

Duchesne Ranger District 85 West Main Duchesne, UT 84021 ph: 435-738-2482 fax: 435-781-5215

Beaver Ranger District 575 South Main Beaver, UT 84713 ph: 435-438-2436 fax: 435-836-1242

List of Streams available for Recreational Dredging with valid Utah Dredging Permit

Note: This permit does not constitute an easement or right-of-way to trespass across or work upon property or mining claims belonging to others. The responsibility to contact property owners or mining claim holders for permission to enter upon their lands is left to the permittee. Please contact the land management agency indicated regarding travel and access.
The Land Management agency (both USFS and BLM) must be contacted prior to any activity or permit will be void.

Stream Name &	County-Township & Range	Months Open to		_
Map Number	Location Description	RD&S	Land Management Agency	Comments
Johnson Creek	Box Elder Co T14N, T15W, 2 Mi.	Aug. 1 to Dec. 31	USFS-Sawtooth N.F.	Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager
(1)	West of Yost		Burley Ranger District	or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 476-2776 before
			(208) 678-0430	beginning activity.
George Creek	Box Elder Co T14N, R14W, ½ Mi.	Aug. 1 to	USFS-Sawtooth N.F.	Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager
(2)	West of Yost	Dec. 31	Burley Ranger District	or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 476-2776 before
			(208) 678-0430	beginning activity.
Three Mile Creek	Box Elder Co T8N, R1W, Mouth of	Year Round	USFS-Wasatch-Cache N.F.	Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager
(Perry Canyon)	Canyon is 1/2 Mi. South of Perry		Ogden Ranger District	or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 476-2776 before
(3)			(801) 625-5112	beginning activity.
North Willow Canyon &	Tooele Co. – T3S, R7W, 3 Mi. South	June 16 to Oct. 14	USFS-Wasatch-Cache N.F.	No RD&S is permitted within the Deseret Peak
Davenport Canyon	of Grantsville. Take Grantsville		Salt Lake City Ranger Dist.	Wilderness Area, All RD&S limited to USFS
(4)	Reservoir Access Road.		(801) 733-2660	land. Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat
				Manager or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 491-
				5678 before beginning activity.
Mary Ellen Gulch, Major	Utah Co T3S, R3E, Take Alpine	July 1 to	USFS-Uintah N. F.	Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager
Evans Gulch, Shaffer Fork &	Exit off I-15 East to Canyon Mouth,	Oct. 14	Pleasant Grove Ranger Dist.	or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 491-5678 before
Dry Fork	Take North Fork to Mineral Basin		(801) 785-3563	beginning activity.
(5)	Road			
Smith Creek	Millard Co T17S, R20W, 9 Mi.	Year Round	BLM - Fillmore Field Office	Stream dry in late summer.
Snake Valley	S.W. of Gandy	rearriound	House Range Resource Area	Stream dry in late summer.
(7)	S.W. Or Garloy		(435) 743-3100	
Hampton Creek	Millard Co T18S, R20W, 12 Mi. S.	Year Round	BLM - Fillmore Field Office	Stream dry in late summer.
Snake Valley	of Gandy		House Range Resource Area	
(8)			(435) 743-3100	
Millcreek and Tributaries	Sevier Co T26S, R41/2W, Sections	Year Round	USFS-Fishlake N.F.	Mineral lease required to work in State owned
Upstream of Confluence with	7, 8, 9, 19 - 13 Mi. East of Cove Fort	-	Beaver Ranger District	Section 36, T26S, R5W, & Section 32, T26S,
Joe Lott Creek - Tushar	on I-70		(435) 438-2436	R4W, SLB&M - call (801) 538-5100. No
Mtns.				Recreational Dredging activity allowed within
(10)				Fremont Indian State Park. Respect posted
()				mining claims.
Indian Creek	Beaver Co T27S, R6W, 5 Mi.	Year Round	USFS-Fishlake N.F.	Mineral lease required to work in State owned
Tushar Mountains	North East of Manderfield		Beaver Ranger District	Section 36, T27S, R7W, SLB&M. For State
(11)			(435) 438-2436	Mineral Lease information, call (801) 538-5100.
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Pine Creek Bullion Canyon - Tushar Mtns. (12)	Piute Co T27S, R4W, 4 Mi. Southwest of Marysvale	July 16 to May 14	USFS-Fishlake N.F. Beaver Ranger District (435) 438-2436	To protect native fish no RD&S activity is permitted above Bullion Falls. Respect posted mining claims.
Crescent Creek Henry Mountains (13)	Garfield Co T31S, R11E, 24 Mi. South of Hanksville	Year Round	BLM Henry Mtn. Field Station (435) 542-3461	Mineral lease required to work in State owned Section 36, T31S, R10E, & Section 36, T31S, R11E, SLB&M - call (801) 538-5100. Stream may be dry in late summer. Respect posted mining claims.
Recapture Creek (14)	San Juan Co T36S, R23E, 3 Mi. East of Blanding	July 15 to April 15	BLM Monticello Field Office (435) 587-1500	Mineral lease required to work in State owned N 1/4 of Section 11, T36S, R22E, SLB&M. For State Mineral Lease information, call (801) 538-5100. Respect posted mining claims.
Montezuma Creek (15)	San Juan Co T36S, R24E, 13 Mi. East of Blanding	Year Round	BLM Monticello Field Office (435) 587-1500	Mineral lease required to work in State owned Section 2, T36S, R24E, & Section 2, T37S, R24E, SLB&M. For State Mineral Lease information, call (801) 538-5100.
East Fork of Beaver Dam Wash (16)	Washington Co. T39S, R19 & 18W, 27 mi. Northwest of St. George below Arsenic Gulch and above Butcher Knife Canyon	Year Round	BLM St. George Field Office (435) 688-3200	To protect native fish and birds, all Recreational Dredging activities are limited to section between Arsenic Gulch and Butcher Knife Canyon. Respect posted mining claims.
Indian George Wash (17)	Millard Co. T15S, R19W Secs. 19, 29, 30, 32; R20W Sec. 24, 2 mi. Northwest of Gandy.	Year Round	BLM Fillmore Field Office (435) 743-3100	Stream dry in late summer.
Hendry's Creek (18)	Millard Co. T18S, R19W, Secs. 29 & 30; R20W Sec. 25, 16 mi. South of Gandy.	Year Round	BLM Fillmore Field Office (435) 743-3100	Stream dry in late summer.
North Canyon (19)	Millard County Secs. 28, 29, 30; T18S, R14W	Year Round	BLM Fillmore Field Office (435) 743-3100	Stream usually flowing in spring months only. Mineral lease required to work in State Section 2, T19S, R14W, and State Section 36, T18S, R14W. For State mineral lease information call (801) 538-5100. Respect posted mining claims.
Willow Creek (20)	Juab County Portions of Secs. 3, 4, 10; T12S, R1E - Southeast of Mona	May 2 to Nov. 29	USFS - Uintah National Forest Spanish Fork Ranger District (801) 798-3571	No RD&S Activities are allowed in the Mt. Nebo Wilderness Area. Contact the USFS for boundary descriptions at Willow Creek.
Straight Creek (21)	Garfield County - T33S, R10,11E, on the Southeast slope of Mt. Pennel – Henry Mts.	Year Round	BLM Monticello Field Office (435) 542-3461	Contact BLM Henry Mountain Resource Area at (435) 542-3641 before beginning. Stream may be dry in late summer. Respect posted mining claims.

NOTE: The entire Utah stretch of the Green, Colorado and San Juan Rivers are closed to activity under this application due to Threatened and Endangered Aquatic Species. Contact the Division of Water Rights (801) 538-7414 for different permitting requirements regarding activities along these rivers.



