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).


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.

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<th>Stream Name &amp; Map Number</th>
<th>County-Township &amp; Range</th>
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<td>Johnson Creek (1)</td>
<td>Box Elder Co. - T14N, T15W, 2 Mi. West of Yost</td>
<td>Aug. 1 to Dec. 31</td>
<td>USFS-Sawtooth N.F. Burley Ranger District (208) 678-0430</td>
<td>Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 476-2776 before beginning activity.</td>
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<td>George Creek (2)</td>
<td>Box Elder Co. - T14N, R14W, ½ Mi. West of Yost</td>
<td>Aug. 1 to Dec. 31</td>
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<td>Three Mile Creek (Perry Canyon) (3)</td>
<td>Box Elder Co. - T8N, R1W, Mouth of Canyon is ½ Mi. South of Perry</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>USFS-Wasatch-Cache N.F. Ogden Ranger District (801) 625-5112</td>
<td>Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 476-2776 before beginning activity.</td>
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<td>North Willow Canyon &amp; Davenport Canyon (4)</td>
<td>Tooele Co. – T3S, R7W, 3 Mi. South of Grantsville. Take Grantsville Reservoir Access Road.</td>
<td>June 16 to Oct. 14</td>
<td>USFS-Wasatch-Cache N.F. Salt Lake City Ranger Dist. (801) 733-2660</td>
<td>No RD&amp;S is permitted within the Deseret Peak Wilderness Area. All RD&amp;S limited to USFS land. Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 491-5678 before beginning activity.</td>
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<td>Mary Ellen Gulch, Major Evans Gulch, Shaffer Fork &amp; Dry Fork (5)</td>
<td>Utah Co. - T3S, R3E, Take Alpine Exit off I-15 East to Canyon Mouth, Take North Fork to Mineral Basin Road</td>
<td>July 1 to Oct. 14</td>
<td>USFS-Utah N. F. Pleasant Grove Ranger Dist. (801) 785-3563</td>
<td>Contact the Wildlife Resource Habitat Manager or Habitat Biologists at: (801) 491-5678 before beginning activity.</td>
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<td>Indian Creek Tushar Mountains (11)</td>
<td>Beaver Co. - T27S, R6W, 5 Mi. North East of Manderfield</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>USFS-Fishlake N.F. Beaver Ranger District (435) 438-2436</td>
<td>Mineral lease required to work in State owned Section 36, T27S, R7W, SLB&amp;M. For State Mineral Lease information, call (801) 538-5100.</td>
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<td><strong>Crescent Creek</strong> Henry Mountains (13)</td>
<td>Garfield Co. - T31S, R11E, 24 Mi. South of Hanksville</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM Henry Mtn. Field Station (435) 542-3461</td>
<td>Mineral lease required to work in State owned Section 36, T31S, R10E, &amp; Section 36, T31S, R11E, SLB&amp;M - call (801) 538-5100. Stream may be dry in late summer. Respect posted mining claims.</td>
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<td><strong>Recapture Creek</strong> (14)</td>
<td>San Juan Co. - T36S, R23E, 3 Mi. East of Blanding</td>
<td>July 15 to April 15</td>
<td>BLM Monticello Field Office (435) 587-1500</td>
<td>Mineral lease required to work in State owned N 1/4 of Section 11, T36S, R22E, SLB&amp;M. For State Mineral Lease Information, call (801) 538-5100. Respect posted mining claims.</td>
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<td><strong>Montezuma Creek</strong> (15)</td>
<td>San Juan Co. - T36S, R24E, 13 Mi. East of Blanding</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM Monticello Field Office (435) 587-1500</td>
<td>Mineral lease required to work in State owned Section 2, T36S, R24E, &amp; Section 2, T37S, R24E, SLB&amp;M. For State Mineral Lease information, call (801) 538-5100.</td>
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<td><strong>East Fork of Beaver Dam Wash</strong> (16)</td>
<td>Washington Co. T39S, R19 &amp; 18W, 27 mi. Northwest of St. George below Arsenic Gulch and above Butcher Knife Canyon</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM St. George Field Office (435) 688-3200</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td><strong>Indian George Wash</strong> (17)</td>
<td>Millard Co. T15S, R19W Secs. 19, 29, 30, 32; R20W Sec. 24, 2 mi. Northwest of Gandy</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM Fillmore Field Office (435) 743-3100</td>
<td>Stream dry in late summer.</td>
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<td><strong>Hendry’s Creek</strong> (18)</td>
<td>Millard Co. T18S, R19W, Secs. 29 &amp; 30; R20W Sec. 25, 16 mi. Northwest of Gandy.</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM Fillmore Field Office (435) 743-3100</td>
<td>Stream dry in late summer.</td>
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<td><strong>North Canyon</strong> (19)</td>
<td>Millard County Secs. 28, 29, 30; T18S, R14W</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM Fillmore Field Office (435) 743-3100</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td><strong>Willow Creek</strong> (20)</td>
<td>Juab County Portions of Secs. 3, 4, 10; T12S, R1E - Southeast of Mona</td>
<td>May 2 to Nov. 29</td>
<td>USFS - Uintah National Forest Spanish Fork Ranger District (801) 798-3571</td>
<td>No RD&amp;S Activities are allowed in the Mt. Nebo Wilderness Area. Contact the USFS for boundary descriptions at Willow Creek.</td>
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<td><strong>Straight Creek</strong> (21)</td>
<td>Garfield County - T33S, R10,11E, on the Southeast slope of Mt. Pennel – Henry Mts.</td>
<td>Year Round</td>
<td>BLM Monticello Field Office (435) 542-3461</td>
<td>Contact BLM Henry Mountain Resource Area at (435) 542-3641 before beginning. Stream may be dry in late summer. Respect posted mining claims.</td>
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**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.
Available streams for Recreational Dredging with valid permit and proper pre-notification of Land Management Agency.
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- Smith Creek
- Hampton Creek
- Crescent Creek
- Recapture Creek
- Montezuma Creek
- East Fork Beaver Dam Wash
- Indian George Wash
- Hendrys Creek
- North Canyon
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