

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Echo Reservoir, Designation of Special Use Area

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior

ACTION: Notice of designation of special use area.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), in collaboration with its managing partners at Echo Reservoir (Weber River Water Users Association and Echo Resorts, Inc.), has made a determination to designate a special use area at Echo Reservoir which is located 42 miles southeast of Ogden, Utah, on the Weber River. This action is necessary for (1) protection of public health and safety, (2) protection and preservation of cultural and natural resources; (3) protection of environmental and scenic values, scientific research, the security of Reclamation facilities, the avoidance of conflict among visitor use activities; and (4) other reasons in the public interest.

The special use area consists of the lands in the federal estate currently developed for recreation use above high water and within the water storage area of Echo Reservoir, which takes into account the beach area available by seasonal water fluctuations. These lands are more particularly described in the following table designated by 40-acre tracts:

Section	Tnshp	Rnge	NWNW	NENW	SENW	SWNW	NWNE	NENE	SENE	SWNE	NWSE	NESE	SESE	SWSE	NWSW	NESW	SESW	SWSW
5	2N	5E							X			X						
29	3N	5E													X	X	X	X
32	3N	5E	X	X														
All Locations in Salt Lake Baseline and Meridian (SLB&M)																		

DATES: This designation of special use area is effective: Spring 2011.

ADDRESSES: A map of the area to be designated as a special use area is available for inspection at the Bureau of Reclamation’s Provo Area Office located at 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606-7317, and at our website at <http://www.usbr.gov/uc/provo/index.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jonathan Jones, Bureau of Reclamation, Provo Area Office, 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606-7317; telephone (801) 379-1195; e-mail: jjones@usbr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action is being taken under 43 CFR Part 423 to protect public safety and prevent additional resource degradation.

Permitted uses would include seasonal use and camping below the high water line under the following conditions:

Seasonal Use

Seasonal use will be permitted at Echo Resort under the following conditions:

- (1) A maximum of 60 percent seasonal use will be allowed, providing a minimum of 40 percent of the camp units to be open for overnight use by public visitors within the main resort area.
- (2) At least 80 percent public overnight use will be available in the south (overflow) area.
- (3) At the end of each season (dictated by Echo Resorts, Inc., closure), all personal overnight camping facilities will be removed.

Beach Camping Below High-Water Line

Beach camping below the high-water line will be permitted under the following conditions:

- (1) Porta-potties will be provided; the number in relation to the beach made available by reservoir drawdown. Reclamation uses the standard of one porta-potty facility per every 30 to 35 people.
- (2) Continued use of metal containers for all fires below the designated high-water line.
- (3) Continued use of a permit system for parking on the beach and mandatory use of drop pans or tarps under all motorized vehicles.
- (4) Area for boat and trailer parking after launch will be determined and delineated near the boat ramp; including controlled erosion measures preventing contaminants from reaching any reservoir water.
- (5) The beach area must be scoured at least each week (or more often as needed) to remove any foreign substances including, but not limited to, ash, fuels, lubricants, human or animal waste, trash, and all other debris or substances.

This order is posted in accordance with 43 CFR Part 423.60. Violation of this prohibition or any prohibition listed in 43 CFR Part 423 is punishable by fine or imprisonment for not more than six months or both.

Dated: _____

Signed: _____

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