

Lakes that have boat ramps:

- ◆ **Cottonwood #1**
- ◆ **Big Creek Reservoir**
- ◆ **Island Lake boat launch (Day use area: \$5.00 fee)**
- ◆ **Eggleston Lake**
- ◆ **Trickel Park Res.**
- ◆ **Vela Reservoir**
- ◆ **Ward Lake**
- ◆ **Youngs Creek Res #3**
- ◆ **Handicapped Fishing pier at Sunset Lake (Day use area \$5.00 fee)**
- ◆ **Ward Creek Reservoir**

Species of Fish on the Grand Mesa

Species Include:

- ◆ **Rainbow**
- ◆ **Cutthroat**
- ◆ **Brook**
- ◆ **Brown**
- ◆ **Splake**
- ◆ **Golden Lake Trout**
- ◆ **Snake River Cutthroat Trout**

Lakes with special state regulations on the Grand Mesa National Forest:

- ◆ **Bull Basin Reservoir #1:** Artificial flies and lures only. Bag, possession and min. size limit for trout is two fish, 16 inches long.
- ◆ **Bull Creek Reservoirs #1 & #2 and Connecting Channels:** Artificial flies and lures only. Bag, possession & min. size limit for trout is two fish, 16 inches long.
- ◆ **Silver Lake:** Artificial flies & lures only. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is two fish, 16 inches long.
- ◆ **Youngs Creek Reservoir #1, 2, & 3:** Artificial flies & lures only. Cutthroat must be returned to the water immediately.
- ◆ **Kitson Reservoir** Bag, possession and minimum size for grayling is two fish, 16 inches long.
- ◆ **Griffith Reservoir:** Artificial flies & lures only. Bag, possession & minimum size limit for trout is two fish, 16 inches long.

For complete fishing regulations, please refer to the current year Fishing Colorado Regulation Directory or call the local Division of Wildlife office at (970) 255-6100 or visit their website: www.wildlife.state.co.us

State Boating Registration Sticker required for all power boats and sail boats operating in Colorado waters. For more information call James M. Robb— Colorado State Parks at 970/434-3388 or visit their website: www.parks.state.co.us

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Boating Regulations on the Grand Mesa National Forest



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Welcome to the Grand Mesa National Forest. Some of the finest fishing in the Western slope.

The Grand Mesa is commonly referred to as one of the "Worlds Largest Flattop Mountain." The Grand Mesa averages 10,000 feet in elevation and towers 6,000 feet above the surrounding Colorado and Gunnison river valleys. The Grand Mesa is well known for its numerous natural lakes. In all, some 300 lakes and reservoirs lie on the benches and top of the Grand Mesa. Of these, roughly a third provide the aquatic habitat needed to sustain trout populations. Primary boating use is by small watercraft with less than 10 hp motors.

Regulation: Forest order #01-03

The following restrictions are currently in place on the Grand Mesa National Forest:

1. No boats or other personal flotation watercraft are allowed on Carson Lake
2. Possessing or operating a motorboat or motorized raft on the following lakes & reservoirs:
 - **Beaver Reservoir**
 - **Blue Lake (Kannah Creek Drainage)**
 - **Bonita Reservoir**
 - **Butts Lake**
 - **Cobbett Lake**
 - **Colby Horse Park**
 - **Clear Lake**
 - **Granby Reservoir # 7**

- **Glacier Lake**
- **Griffith Lake**
- **Jumbo Reservoir**
- **Little Grouse Reservoir**
- **Mesa Lake**
- **Middle Griffith Lake**
- **Trout Lake**
- **Sackett Reservoir**
- **Sunset Lake**
- **West Griffith Lake**

3. Possessing or operating a motorboat or motorized raft, unless powered by an electric motor, on the following lakes & reservoirs:

- **Big Meadows Reservoir**
- **Dogfish Reservoir**
- **Fruita Reservoir #1,2,3**
- **Kitson Reservoir**
- **Military Park Reservoir**
- **Sheep Slough Reservoir**
- **Y&S Reservoir**
- **Cottonwood Res. #5**
- **Forty Acre Lake**
- **Goodenough Reservoir**
- **Kiser Reservoir**
- **Leon Lake**
- **Rimrock Lake**
- **Silver Lake**
- **Youngs Lake**
- **Mesa Lake**
- **Sunset Lake**
- **Kenney Creek Res.**

PLEASE KEEP YOUR FOREST CLEAN

Trash and litter detract from an area's naturalness.

Please

PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT

WANT TO ADOPT A LAKE?

To maintain a healthy habitat for fish and fisherman you or your organization can make a difference by adopting one of the lakes on the Grand Mesa National Forest.

For further information on adopting a lake on the Grand Mesa National Forest please contact the **Grand Valley Ranger District** at (970)242-8211.



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