



ANGLER ALERT!



Read Before Fishing

Due to high water temperatures, low flows, and reduced oxygen in the water, fish in the river are under extreme stress. Fishing, catching, handling, releasing, and wading causes additional stress contributing to the onset of disease and/or fish mortality.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) is seeking your cooperation in a voluntary

FULL DAY VOLUNTARY FISHING CLOSURE

COLORADO RIVER

**Red Dirt Creek (Eagle County) to
HWY 13 Bridge (Rifle)**

beginning July 17, 2026

Please fish farther upstream and at higher elevation waters where environmental factors are less severe.

If stressful conditions persist or compliance with the closure does not occur, CPW can implement a **mandatory fishing closure** to protect the fishery resource. Closures will change following a period of recovery for the fishery and sustained environmental improvements.

DO YOUR PART!

Curtailing your fishing will help preserve and protect our fishery for the long term – not just this summer!

For further information, please contact the Glenwood Springs CPW office at (970) 947-2920 or the Grand Junction CPW Office at (970-255-6100). Check out current fishing closure information on our website:

<https://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/StatewideFishingConditions.aspx>