

## The River Rules

Sign in at the Loma register box so others know what campsites are available, emergency location is easier, and BLM has data to support funding.

Properly dispose of human waste. Washable, reusable toilets are required on all overnight trips. Urinate in flowing water, not on beaches, to prevent odor build up. [If you hike and are not able to properly dispose of human waste in the 'normal' manner, then go "high and dry" with respect to side streams and trails, i.e., at least 150 feet above trail or stream. And even more appropriately, utilize means of carrying solid wastes back to deposit in toilet system]. Pack out solid waste and dispose in a sewer system or EPA-approved bag system.

Save our cottonwoods. Firepans are required. [Use fire blanket and stand-off firepan with small rocks. This protects sand from glassing and combustibles under firepan from igniting]. Ground fires started by campers have destroyed many of the river's cottonwood stands. Grasses ignite quickly and spread fire rapidly. Protect wildlife habitat and shade for your campsite by keeping fires in firepans and burning only driftwood or charcoal. Pack out all fire ash with trash. [Properly dispose of hot ash and charcoal by placing it in a bucket of water and stirring. After the coals are distinguished, scoop them out with a strainer and place them in trash. Then strain the remaining water into flowing river water]. Fires may be banned during high fire-danger, normally occurring during the summer months. Know before you go.

Pack it in, pack it out. Leave no trace of your visit. Strain your dishwater into the river and put scraps in your trash to prevent "micro-trash" buildup that attracts ants to kitchen areas and campsites. Pack out campfire ash. [Leave it better than you found it – help pick up after your fellow boaters].

Camp in established sites. Fewer campsites mean a more natural and scenic river corridor.

Leave what you find. It is illegal to deface or remove any historical, archaeological or paleontological materials. Leave them for others to discover and enjoy.

## River Etiquette

Leave plenty of room for others using the put-in and take-out by consolidating your gear and moving vehicles off the ramp as quickly as possible.

When traveling in a small group, pick small campsites and leave larger sites for larger groups.

Respect others' desire for solitude.

## Attention Motorized Travelers

Be courteous by slowing and yielding plenty of room to non-motorized craft. Upstream motorized travel is prohibited from the Colorado State line to Westwater, Utah to protect bald eagle nesting sites along the river.

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