



Colorado State Parks

ARKANSAS HEADWATERS RECREATION AREA

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UPDATE: Recovery Operation at Frog Rock on August 18, 2010

AHRA Boating Contractors and Private Boaters,

On August 18th, 2010 there will be a multi-agency recovery operation to retrieve missing person, Kimberly Appelson at Frog Rock Rapid. The recovery operation will involve reducing native flows on the Arkansas River to approximately 200 cubic feet per second as measured at the Below Granite gage. Frog Rock Rapid will see the lowest flows between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm.

The window of the reduced flows will affect the upper river corridor (north of Salida) on the August 18th. Browns Canyon area may start to see lower flows during the early afternoon hours.

As the window of the reduced flows travel below Salida on August 19th, reduced flows may be noticed in the lower river corridor throughout the morning hours and possibly throughout the entire day in the Royal Gorge.

The current plan is to resume native releases at 4:00 pm August 18th at Twin Lake Reservoir and Clear Creek Reservoir, or upon notification of a successful recovery effort. All of these times are estimates and river users should exercise caution during these two days and be sure to check the flow prior to putting boats or other water craft on the river.

Thank you,

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