



BEAR CREEK WATERSHED

Fact Sheet 33 Stream Temperature Standards

June 8, 2016

The Bear Creek Watershed Association protects and restores water and environmental quality within the Bear Creek Watershed from the effects of land use.

Clear Creek County
 Jefferson County
 City of Lakewood
 Town of Morrison
 Aspen Park Metropolitan District
 Brook Forest Inn
 Conifer Sanitation Association
 Conifer Metropolitan District
 Denver Water Department
 Evergreen Metropolitan District
 Forrest Hills Metropolitan District
 Genesee Sanitation & Water District
 Geneva Glen
 Jefferson County School District
 Kittredge Water & Sanitation District
 Tiny Town Foundation, Inc.
 West Jefferson County Metropolitan District
 Evergreen Trout Unlimited
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

| Segment | Description | Standard | Month | STANDARD (°C) | | Month | STANDARD (°C) | |
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| | | | | (MWAT) | (DM) | | (MWAT) | (DM) |
| 1a | Mainstem Bear Creek from Mt. Evans Wilderness to Evergreen Lake | T=TVS(CS-I) °C | June-Sept | 17.0 | 21.2 | Oct-May | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 1b | Mainstem Bear Creek from Harriman Ditch to Bear Creek Reservoir | T=TVS(CS-II) °C, April-Oct; T(WAT)=19.3 oC | April-Oct | 19.3 | 23.8 | Nov-March | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 1c | Bear Creek Reservoir. | T=TVS(CLL) °C; April-Dec; T(WAT)=23.3oC | April-Dec | 23.3 | 23.8 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 1d | Evergreen Lake. | T=TVS(CLL) °C | April-Dec | 18.2 | 23.8 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 1e | Mainstem Bear Creek from Evergreen Lake to Harriman Ditch. | T=TVS(CS-II) °C; April-Oct; T(WAT)=19.3 oC | April-Oct | 19.3 | 23.8 | Nov-March | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 2 | Mainstem Bear Creek from Bear Creek Reservoir to South Platte River. | T=TVS(WS-II) °C | March-Nov | 27.5 | 28.6 | Nov-March | 13.7 | 14.3 |
| 3 | All tributaries to Bear Creek from source to outlet of Evergreen Lake | T=TVS(CS-I) °C | June-Sept | 17.0 | 21.2 | Oct-May | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 4a | All tributaries to Bear Creek from the outlet of Evergreen Lake to South Platte River | T=TVS(WS-I) °C | March-Nov | 24.2 | 29.0 | Dec-Feb | 12.1 | 14.5 |
| 5 | Swede, Kerr, Sawmill, Troublesome, and Cold Springs Gulches, and Cub Creek | T=TVS(CS-II) °C | April-Oct | 18.2 | 23.8 | Nov-March | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 6a | Turkey Creek system from source to Bear Creek Reservoir | T=TVS(CS-II) °C | April-Oct | 18.2 | 23.8 | Nov-March | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 6b | Mainstem of North Turkey Creek | T=TVS(CS-I) °C | June-Sept | 17.0 | 21.2 | Oct-May | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 7 | Mainstem and all tributaries within the Mt. Evans Wilderness Area. | T=TVS(CS-I) °C | June-Sept | 17.0 | 21.2 | Oct-May | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 8 | Lakes and reservoirs in Mt. Evans Wilderness area. | T=TVS(CL) °C | April-Dec | 17.0 | 21.2 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 9 | Lakes and reservoirs from Mt. Evans Wilderness area to Evergreen Lake. | T=TVS(CL) °C | April-Dec | 17.0 | 21.2 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 10 | Lakes and reservoirs in drainages of Swede Gulch, Sawmill Gulch, Troublesome Gulch, and Cold Springs Gulch | T=TVS(CL) °C | April-Dec | 17.0 | 21.2 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 11 | Lakes and reservoirs from the outlet of Evergreen Lake to South Platte River | T=TVS(CL) °C | April-Dec | 17.0 | 21.2 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |
| 12 | Lakes and reservoirs in the Turkey Creek system | T=TVS(CL) °C | April-Dec | 17.0 | 21.2 | Jan-Mar | 9.0 | 13.0 |

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| CS-I | Cold Stream, Tier I | Brook trout, cutthroat trout |
| CS-II | Cold Stream, Tier II | Brown trout, rainbow trout, mottled sculpin, mountain whitefish, longnose sucker, Arctic grayling |
| CL | Cold Lake | Brook trout, brown trout, cutthroat trout, lake trout, rainbow trout, Arctic grayling, salmon |
| CLL | Cold Large Lake > 100 surface acres | Rainbow trout |
| WS-I | Warm Stream Tier I | Common shiner, Johnny darter, orangethroat darter |
| WS-II | Warm Stream Tier II | Brook stickleback, central stoneroller, creek chub, longnose dace, northern redbelly dace, white sucker |