

2011 Oquirrh Lake Recreation Management Strategies

During the 2010 season, Kennecott and the Daybreak Community Association implemented several new recreation management strategies for Oquirrh Lake and the associated open space and trails system. Construction was also started on several additional lakeside facilities. It is exciting to see the lake continue to evolve as a wonderful community amenity that can accommodate a variety of unique recreational opportunities.

Due to the fact that the lake provides a regional draw and involves a number of interests, Kennecott continues to work with a variety of stakeholders to review the applicable lake management strategies and discuss how priorities and issues can be appropriately and effectively addressed. To date, interests engaged in this process include Rio Tinto, Kennecott Land Company, South Jordan City, the Daybreak Community Association, various resource and recreational specialists, and Daybreak residents.

During the 2009-2010 seasons, residents were invited to participate in four community "work sessions" focused on identifying resident interests and issues surrounding the lake and how these opportunities and concerns may be addressed. These discussions have been very productive; residents have expressed a variety of opinions and views. The most recent resident session was held at the close of the 2010 season to solicit resident feedback regarding the 2010 lake management rules and regulations and their effectiveness. A number of the recommendations discussed that evening will be further implemented during the 2011 season.

As a general summary, the following management strategies will be in effect for the 2011 recreation season. Please free to contact the Daybreak Association office with any questions or comments at 801-254-8294.

Comprehensive Lake Signage Program

Existing user "conduct" and "educational" signage will continue as an integral part of the broader Daybreak lake, trails and open space coordinated sign program. Primary objectives include informing and educating lake visitors regarding the types of activities permitted, where and when these activities can occur, and the associated rules of conduct.

Wading and Swimming

Consistent with 2010 management strategies, wading and swimming will not be allowed generally during the 2011 season. Swimming will only be permitted as part of Kennecott-approved events/activities.

Eastlake Beach Parking

To address ongoing pedestrian safety concerns, the east side of Oquirrh Lake Road, adjacent to Eastlake Beach Park, will remain as posted: "No Parking".

Restroom/ Boat Storage Facilities

Permanent restroom facilities are under construction at the Eastlake beach and North Shore open space areas. These facilities are scheduled to be open by Memorial Day 2011.

Domestic Pets

Consistent with broader Daybreak regulations and 2010 lake management strategies, domestic pets are required to be leashed and are restricted from entering the lake and adjacent sand areas.

Lake "Host/Ranger" Program

The Daybreak Community Association will continue the "lake host/ranger" program for the 2011 season. Associated roles and responsibilities include patrolling the lake to encourage appropriate behavior and providing a unique public education component specific to the lake's natural systems and broader Daybreak sustainability objectives.

Lake-associated Open Spaces, Picnic Areas, Trails and Paths

These areas will remain open to general public access and use per posted signs. Generally, lake-associated open space, picnic and beach areas are open dawn to dusk; no alcohol or smoking is permitted; dogs are allowed per leash laws and pick-up regulations; domestic pets are not allowed in sand areas or in the water; no glass containers, grills, fire pits, fireworks or portable shade structures or canopies are permitted in beach areas or adjacent lawn panels; model airplanes and boats are not allowed.

Fishing

This activity will remain open to general public access and use per posted signs. Generally, fishing is allowed in designated areas only. No fishing is allowed from watercraft, bridges, docks, or the island. The lake continues to evolve as a healthy ecosystem and currently supports a variety of game/nongame fish species. There are no current plans to restock the lake with trout during the 2011 season.

Boating & Watercraft

Generally, boating is reserved for Daybreak residents and their guests only. Current regulations require that lifejackets be worn by all boaters at all times and restrict the use of motorized boats to authorized lake patrol or rescue activities. Existing regulations do not allow pets in, or fishing from, HOA or personal watercraft. Copies of watercraft use rules are available by request at the South Boat Ramp and the Daybreak Community Center.

For the 2011 season, the Daybreak Community Association-managed "resident/guest use" boating program and launch site will continue at the South Boat Ramp.

Unauthorized general public boating access and use of the lake continues to present safety and management concerns. The "Daybreak resident/guest only" watercraft permit program initiated in 2010 will continue in 2011. This program allows residents to obtain a boating "permit" for personal watercraft use after completing a Daybreak Community Association water safety orientation. This permit is \$10.00 per craft registered and is valid April 1 through October 31, 2011.