TEMPORARY WATERWAY RESTRICTIONS
CITY OF GOLDEN, STATE OF COLORADO

Based upon the Declaration of Local Emergency in and for the City of Golden related to the COVID-19 public health emergency issued by the City Council of the City of Golden on March 19, 2020, by duly adopted resolution, and pursuant to the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, the high levels of operation of vessels on the waters of Clear Creek in the City of Golden by members of the public currently being experienced due to weather, temperatures, water levels, water flow rate and other physical conditions of Clear Creek, and the lack of social distancing, wearing of face coverings, and group gatherings by the public during operation of such vessels contrary to local and state restrictions and public health guidelines, it has been determined that the continuing operation of vessels on the portions of Clear Creek within the City of Golden poses a significant risk of increase in COVID-19 related illnesses, which constitutes a hazard to human life and safety within the City of Golden. These Temporary Water Restrictions, dated and executed below, supersede all previous Waterway restrictions and closures.

THESE TEMPORARY WATERWAY RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO CLEAR CREEK IN PORTIONS OF CLEAR CREEK THAT ARE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF GOLDEN.

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 33-13-111 and 2 CCR 405-2 #217, the Police Chief of the City of Golden is prohibiting THE OPERATION OF VESSELS in Clear Creek, including all single-chambered air inflated devices, such as belly boats, inner tubes, and single chambered rafts, “body surfers,” and swimming, as well as all kayaks, whitewater canoes, multi-chambered river boards, and similar watercraft used or capable of being used as a means of transportation of persons or property on water.

This restriction extends from the western Jefferson County line through the City of Golden and includes Vanover Park.

Under C.R.S. § 33-13-111 (3), the penalty for violating this restriction is a class 2 petty offense and will result in a fine of $100.00.

These Temporary Waterway Restrictions will become effective at 8 A.M. on August 24, 2020 and shall remain in effect until superseded or repealed.

Done this 20th day of August, 2020, at 5:29 P.M.

Bill Kilpatrick, Chief of Police

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