



Flooding Closes Sections of Yampa River Core Trail *Additional Trail Closures Planned for Maintenance and Hazards Removal*

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-May 18, 2021-As temperatures rise and spring runoff ebbs and flows, Parks & Recreation has begun closing sections of the Yampa River Core Trail and other local trails as needed due to high water and flooding.

Due to the spring runoff, rivers and creeks continue to run high and various sections of the trail have closed as water exceeds the banks and floods the trail. As flows increase and decrease, there will be closures and re-routes on the trail system.

Watch for trail closures at:

- Highway 40 underpass at Walton Creek
- Highway 40 underpass at Fish Creek
- Railroad underpass between Fetcher Park and Rotary Park
- 13th Street underpass at the Bud Werner Memorial Library

These sections and others may open/close as the river reaches peak flows. Please obey all closures, follow the detour routes, and do not try to cross flooded trails or railroad tracks.



According to the [USGS gauge at the 5th Street Bridge](#), the Yampa River has surpassed 1100 cubic feet per second (cfs) after steadily rising over the past week from 400 cfs. However, with warm weather in the forecast this week, rivers are anticipated to continue to grow in the coming days.

In addition to these water-related closures, the west end of the Core Trail will see a one-day closure on May 24 for hazard tree removal.

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