

BOAT INSPECTION PROGRAM DETAILS

- The inspection station is located at the Whitetail parking lot on the way to Bear Creek Reservoir
- Boats must be cleaned, drained and dried prior to arriving at the inspection station
- Inspections should typically take a few minutes unless the inspector feels that a more thorough check is needed
- Boats with suspected ANS will not be allowed to launch and will be decontaminated
- Lakewood recognizes and participates in the state green-tagging system. This will help to speed up the process; however a brief inspection will be required. Green tags are available to boaters exiting the park that have cleaned and drained their boats. No other colored tags will be accepted
- The boat inspection requirements are strictly enforced

Please remember to clean, drain and dry your boat and equipment every time you remove them from a body of water.

Boating Information

Boating Hours

(does not apply to non-motorized canoes, kayaks, rafts, paddleboats, windsurfers or belly boats)

The boat ramps at Bear Creek Reservoir and Big Soda Lake will be open from park opening until 2 hours before park closing. No boats will be allowed to launch after this time.

Boat Launch Hours

- Boat ramps closed November 15 - March 15 annually
- March 15 - April 30: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- November 1 - November 15: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

General Guidelines

- Boating on Bear Creek Reservoir is limited to a motor size of 10hp or less.
- Big Soda Lake is limited to non-motorized boats only.
- No private boats are permitted on Little Soda Lake.