

**Recreational Use Designations
Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) Worksheet**

A use attainability analysis (UAA) is required to change the recreation designated use of a surface water of the state, either from primary contact recreation to secondary contact recreation or from secondary contact recreation to primary contact recreation.

Primary contact recreation waters are those where recreational activities are expected to result in full body immersion in the water (e.g., swimming, water skiing, etc.) or a level of contact with the water equivalent to swimming (i.e., activities of similar duration, intensity, and exposure to the water as swimming) during the summer recreation season (May 1 through September 30). Secondary contact recreation waters are those where recreational activities are not expected to result in full body immersion in the water or a level of contact with the water equivalent to swimming (e.g., wading, hunting, fishing, etc.). During the winter recreation season (October 1 through April 30), waters designated for primary contact recreation are protected for secondary contact recreation.

When collecting information regarding recreational uses of waters located on or accessed via private property, ensure that you have obtained permission from the property owner to both access the property and to collect information.

I. Observer Information. Please provide your name, organization and contact information.

Observer Name(s): _____ Date: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

II. Waterbody Name & Location. Identify where the stream segment starts and ends.

Waterbody Name: _____

Survey Location Description, including land ownership: _____

_____ County: _____

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

GPS Datum and Coordinate System: _____

(Datum: NAD 83 [alternate WGS 84], Coordinate: UTM [12 – west part of state, 13 – east part of state] are preferred GPS settings)

- III. Maps & Photographs.** Attach a map of adequate scale and detail (or screen shots from DEQ's recreation designated uses web map) to accurately depict the water body that is the subject of the designated use change proposal. Also attach photographs that adequately characterize the water body for the purposes of the petition. These should be taken at points that are typical of the stream channel or lake in a sufficient number to clearly illustrate the resource. Each photo point location should also be indicated on the map. The photographs should be accompanied by information including a photo ID number, name of photographer, date and time taken, location and direction from which the photo was taken, and a narrative describing what the photo is intended to depict.
- IV. Primary Use Factors.** If any of the following factors apply, the water should likely be designated for primary contact recreation. If none of the factors apply, the water is a candidate for a secondary contact recreation.

- Water is located within or flows through a federal, state, or local park or recreation area. Federal, state or local parks should not be construed to mean all public lands, but rather specifically developed and/or designated recreational use areas such as campgrounds, picnic grounds, trailheads, greenways, etc.
- Water is a lake, reservoir or other still body of water.
- Water is within or flows through a municipality or unincorporated high density housing area.
- Water is used or can be used for primary contact activities such as swimming, floating, rafting, or kayaking during the primary contact recreation season.
- Water is frequently used by used by small children where immersion or contact with the water is equivalent to swimming (i.e., similar duration, intensity, and exposure to the water as swimming) occurs during the summer recreation season.

V. Use Removal Factors (*only necessary when downgrading from a primary to secondary use designation*).

Check one or more of the following use removal factors and attach a brief narrative and/or additional information explaining why each checked factor applies to the subject water. If the purpose of the UAA is to change a designated use from secondary contact to primary contact, do not check any factor, but still provide a narrative explanation of the justification for the increased level of protection.

- (i) Naturally occurring pollutant concentrations prevent the attainment of the classification or use; or
- (ii) Natural, ephemeral, intermittent or low flow conditions or water levels prevent the attainment of the use, unless these conditions may be compensated for by the discharge of sufficient volume of effluent discharges without violating state water conservation requirements to enable uses to be met; or
- (iii) Human caused conditions or sources of pollution prevent the attainment of the use and

cannot be remedied or would cause more environmental damage to correct than to leave in place; or

_____ (iv) Dams, diversion or other types of hydrologic modifications preclude the attainment of the classification or use, and it is not feasible to restore the water body to its original condition or to operate such modification in such a way that would result in the attainment of the classification or use; or

_____ (v) Controls more stringent than those required by Sections 301(b) and 306 of the Clean Water Act would result in substantial and widespread economic and social impact.

Explanation (*attach additional sheets if necessary*):

VI. Additional information. Include additional information such as a description of the existing recreational use of the water body, description of or data representative of the flow regime, landowner surveys, etc. that may be useful to the petition.

Petitioner Signature

Date

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