

Summit County Marina Reopening Strategy

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**Provided to Summit County Government
On Behalf of the Towns of Frisco and Dillon**

Overview

To preserve the health and safety of our marina guests and staff and to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the following transition plan is proposed for the phased reopening of the Frisco Bay and Dillon Marinas. As the situation evolves, this plan remains flexible and adaptive to further guidance provided by Summit County Health officials. Both Frisco and Dillon Town staff have been working closely to ensure consistency with opening plans, phasing and staff and guest protocols at both marinas. Recommendations also follow current guidelines established by the Association of Marina Industries and Denver Water.

In coordination with Summit County's [Roadmap to Recovery](#), marinas are classified as "high-risk recreation" and are only allowed to open with strict physical distancing measures and precautions beginning in Stabilization Stage II.

This plan recommends opening the Marinas in a phased approach as follows:

- 1) Installation of the docks and gangways as weather, ice and conditions allow, followed by
- 2) Launching of current slip holders' and mooring customers' boats by staff and placing them on the docks and moorings, followed by
- 3) Opening of the docks and boat ramps for slip holders and day use customers on the water, followed by
- 4) Start of the boat rental season for power and paddle boats.

Stabilization Stage I - April 27 – TBD, *pending no significant increase in cases* Preparation

Marinas in Summit County are currently closed in the Stabilization Stage I Phase. Preparations are underway at this time in Summit County for when the marinas are permitted to open, and such preparations include the following:

- Staff: Following all current social distancing and workplace protocols, as established by the Summit County Business Social Distancing Protocols. In addition, each staff member will be assigned a work station which will be the only one they will be allowed to use each day.
 - Older adults (age 65 and older) and individuals with underlying medical conditions that are at increased risk of serious COVID-19 illness (including workers) are encouraged not to attend gatherings and to tele-work where possible.
 - Face coverings must be worn indoors in all places open to the public; face coverings must be worn outdoors whenever 6 ft. of separation among individuals cannot be maintained.
 - Employees must be screened for COVID-19 symptoms each day. Anyone symptomatic will be excluded from work for at least 10 days, tested within 48 hours, and have face coverings provided for all members of the employee's household.

- Physical distancing measures must be employed to ensure that employees and members of the public can easily maintain at least 6 feet of separation.
- Businesses complete Physical Distancing Protocol (PDP) and provide to all employees and customers, posted at entrances and on websites.
- Enforcement capacity and process is clear in every jurisdiction.
- Public bathrooms, when opened, will have cleanings scheduled twice per day, every day, with regular inspections by staff.
- Docks will be installed, following all safety and staff/workplace protocols, as established by the Summit County Business Social Distancing Protocols

Stabilization Stage I - April 27 – TBD, *pending no significant increase in cases* **Recommendations**

Staff is recommending for review the potential reclassification of some marina activities from high-risk recreation to low-risk recreation and the potential opening of these more low-risk activities/areas in Stabilization Stage I. Boating is currently allowed in State Parks during Governor Polis's Stay at Home order and the majority of boat ramps and reservoirs in the state are open at this time. Such activities/areas include:

- 1) Launching of current slip holders' and mooring customers' boats by staff and placement on the docks and moorings.
- 2) Opening of the docks and boat ramps for slip holders and day use customers on the water. Upon opening, slip and mooring customers will be directed to follow all current social distancing and workplace protocols, as established by Summit County Business Social Distancing and Association of Marina Industries. Protocols to include:
 - No congregating on docks
 - No rafting up of boats while on the water
 - No short term slip rentals till short term housing rentals are available by ordinance
 - Remind tenants that if they are sick they must *not* come to their boat. If they start to feel sick while on their boat they need to return home immediately.

Both Frisco and Dillon boat ramps would open following the same operational guidelines as the CPW:

- No boats launched without green tag and receipt. Boats **MUST** also be currently registered for 2020 to be allowed on lake. Only boats with green tag and receipt will be allowed to launch.
 - Boat owner will remain in vehicle with window up throughout the inspection, or wear face covering if needed to exit vehicle.
 - Receipt will be shown to inspector through closed window, if appropriate.
 - 6' social distance shall be kept between guest and inspector at all times.
 - Signage at the ramp indicating the above rules as well as posted on website
- 3) Rental operation for power and paddle boats. Rental operation guidelines include:
 - Only one person from each party allowed in the office at a time.

- All power boat group size maximums will lower to follow the mandated group size allotments even if boat can handle more –currently 10.
- Powerboats will go in and out with each side of dock in a first in, first out (FILO) pattern allowing for clear delineation of clean vs used boats as they go in and out
- Power boats will be wiped down between each rental by a facial covering masked and gloved staff with disinfecting cleaner -specifically- steering wheel, all armrests, all seats, top railing around boat and all door levers.
- Paddle sport boats will go in and out in a FILO pattern allowing for clear delineation of clean vs used boats as they go in and out
- Paddle sport boats will be wiped down between each rental by a facial covering masked and gloved staff with disinfecting cleaner -specifically- seat, cockpit edge, and front deck area.
- Paddles will be wiped down between each rental by a facial covering masked and gloved staff with disinfecting cleaner -specifically- from handle to blade or blade to blade down entire shaft.
- All used PFDs will be cleaned and disinfected between each rental. On power boats, customers will be instructed not to place used PFD's back in storage so staff can identify and disinfect as needed.
- Staggered start times between each group to allow minimal group interactions in office and on docks
- Signs will be up to remind guests at all points that they must allow one group to access any dock ramp at a time, and to allow social distance between groups
- Rentals are by appointment only.
- Guests must wear face coverings on boats when they are unable to socially distance six (6) feet.
- All guests will be asked if they are experiencing any symptoms.
- Hand sanitizer will be available for all guests.

In addition to the marina operations, the marinas are also public parks whereby all park, open space, playground, rec pathways, and beach protocols will be followed:

- Recommendation to open the beach areas with appropriate social distancing signage and monitoring, and additional public health guidelines in place as appropriate.

Stabilization Stage II, *pending no significant increase in cases*

- Pending public health regulations and the continued ability to meet all criteria in the Stabilization Stage I.
- F&B service open for takeout till Public Health orders change for restaurants and bars.
- Playgrounds are currently defined as “high-risk recreation” and will open in coordination with other Summit County playgrounds, pending Public Health orders.
- Pavilions, picnic tables, and fish cleaning stations are presently closed.
- Shuttle boat service is currently not allowed. Once it is permitted, face coverings will be worn while operating the shuttle boat, only one shuttle boat operator will be working per day, and the boat will be wiped down at end of day and beginning of shift.

Resources

Industry-specific resources are listed below to help support marina-specific protocols, policies and procedures.

Marina Industry Resources

<https://www.nmma.org/assets/cabinets/Cabinet488/NMMA-Suggested-Best-Practices-for-Resuming-Operations.pdf>

https://marinaassociation.org/files/BPMOduringReopening_AMI_05-05-20.pdf

<https://ahoy.dockwa.com/covid-19-coronavirus-marina-boating-updates>

<https://www.denverwater.org/recreation/dillon-resevoir>