Looking at a map of Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (NRA), one of the first things you might realize is how massive the park is. A little less obvious is what this means in terms of recreational opportunities. At 1.25 million acres, the park stretches nearly 200 miles and sprawls across two states. Glen Canyon NRA has something for everyone, regardless of time, interests, or abilities. The course of the Colorado River winds underneath Lake Powell, leaving a legacy of exploration and development of the West in its path. Even before the lake existed, water (or the lack of it), was a defining feature of the landscape. It continues to distinguish how people interact with and feel about this place. What can Glen Canyon offer you that will make your visit not just satisfying, but draw you back year after year, building a family legacy of your own?

The park has been working hard to make your visit here a satisfying one (see “Your Fee Dollars at Work” on page 3). Today, your park journey by car, kayak, foot, river raft, or boat makes Glen Canyon one of the more diverse parks in the region. You can stroll among the historic buildings and take in the rich pioneer history of Lees Ferry. A raft trip on the Colorado River offers the opportunity to visit the astonishing petroglyph panel located about eight river miles downstream from the dam. Take a tour of Glen Canyon dam to learn about hydroelectricity and water in the West. Travel by boat from one of the marinas to explore the remarkable canyons on Lake Powell. Include an unforgettable visit to Rainbow Bridge National Monument. Hike for an hour, a day, or a week in Glen Canyon’s astounding backcountry.

Your adventure starts when you open this newspaper and acquaint yourself with the park. Bring your questions to any of our visitor centers for more in-depth help. Do not fear the park’s large size. You will quickly find its intimacy as you discover the stories and pathways left by the ancient ones, the pioneers, the miners, the researchers, and the river runners. Begin a journey in their footsteps. Gaze on vistas that have remained unchanged for thousands of years. This park, with its seemingly opposite faces of water-based recreation and places of unbelievable peace, solitude, and tranquility, will hopefully bond you to it as it has for millions of visitors who have come before.
Welcome to Glen Canyon National Recreation Area and Rainbow Bridge National Monument

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area
Rainbow Bridge National Monument

Park Address
P.O. Box 1507
691 Scenic View Rd
Page AZ 86040

Website/contact information
www.nps.gov/glca
www.nps.gov/abr

Fax Number
928-608-6259

Park Headquarters
928-608-6200

Area Visitor Centers

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<td>8:30am-4:30pm daily with extended hours in the summer</td>
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<td>Glen Canyon National Recreation Area Headquarters</td>
<td>7am-4pm Monday-Friday closed weekends and holidays</td>
<td>928-608-6200   <a href="http://www.nps.gov/glca">www.nps.gov/glca</a></td>
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<td>Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center</td>
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<td>Bullfrog Visitor Center/ Halls Crossing Contact Station</td>
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<td>Paria Contact Station (operated by the Bureau of Land Management)</td>
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Ranger Programs

Carl Hayden Visitor Center
- Ranger Talks: presented daily on a variety of subjects. (length 15 min.) Year-round.
- Ranger Programs: Presentations in the auditorium three times a week. (length 30 min.) Memorial Day through September.
- Solar Scope: Solar telescope viewing is offered outside the visitor center several times a week. April through October.
- Education Programs: Available for school groups by appointment. Contact Education Specialist at 928-608-6353 or www.nps.gov/glca/forteachers. Year-round. Note—These programs may also be available outside the regular season. Contact a Park Ranger at the information desk for further information.

Lake Powell/Colorado River Trips
- Park Rangers are on board at least one commercial boat tour and/or river trip several times a week, May through September.

Wahweap Campground Amphitheater
- Evening Programs: Park Ranger presentations on a variety of subjects from Memorial Day through September. Check for times, dates, and topics posted at Carl Hayden Visitor Center and the Wahweap Amphitheater.

Bullfrog
- Ranger Talks: “Table of Wonder” Park Ranger talks are presented twice a week at Defiance House Lodge. Presentations are offered from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Memorial Day to mid-September. Check at the Bullfrog Visitor Center for times and topics.

Rainbow Bridge
- Ranger Talks: Park Rangers at Rainbow Bridge will give presentations at various times of the day. May through early October.

Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center
- Ranger Talks: Park Rangers will give talks on a variety of subjects at the Interpretive Center and on the Navajo Bridge and down the road at Less Ferry. Check at the visitor center for times and topics. May through September.

Note: Special programs and presentations will take place at various locations from May 15 through September. Check at a park visitor center or call 928-608-6404 to find out the latest program information.

Fees

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<td>Campground charges</td>
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<td>Boating</td>
<td>Limits on camping: 14 consecutive days, 30 days maximum per calendar year. No camping is permitted at Rainbow Bridge National Monument.</td>
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<td>Backcountry, Including shores of Lake Powell and Colorado River</td>
<td>No camping fee required</td>
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Additional developed campgrounds, operated by the NPS concessioner Lake Powell Resorts & Marinas, are available at Wahweap, Bullfrog, and Halls Crossing. For details and rates call 1-800-528-6154.
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*Note: Dangling Rope Marina is closed mid Nov-early March

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### Take Pride in America

#### Volunteer in Your Parks

Did you know each year more than 120,000 volunteers donate over 4 million hours of service to the U.S. national parks? In 2008, 369 visitors to Glen Canyon National Recreation Area donated 13,060 hours of their time as Volunteers in the Park (VIPs.) VIPs help in many ways; they remove unsightly graffiti, clean up Lake Powell beaches, answer questions at visitor centers, lead guided walks and 4WD adventures, help rehabilitate historic structures, and help out in a variety of other tasks.

Two very popular volunteer programs at Glen Canyon are the Trash Tracker program and the Graffiti Removal & Intervention Team (GRIT) program. Both of these programs offer opportunities for volunteers to spend time on Lake Powell on a houseboat. This is not a vacation though. Volunteers work hard to remove trash and litter or to scrub unsightly and illegal graffiti from the canyon walls. For more information on these specific programs, and how to sign up, visit the park’s web site at: www.nps.gov/glca/supportyourpark/volunteer.htm.

Most volunteers say they get a unique sense of pride and accomplishment in their work. Their actions make the national parks a better place for themselves, their children, and their grandchildren.

For more information about volunteering at Glen Canyon NRA, visit the park’s website at www.nps.gov/glca or you may contact Glen Canyon directly at 928-608-6200. For more information about volunteering at other national parks, visit the national volunteer site at www.volunteer.gov/gov. Volunteers are accepted without regard to race, creed, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability. There are special regulations in reference to non-US citizens or residents. Please contact a volunteer coordinator or Office of International Affairs for more information.

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### Your Fee Dollars at Work

Eighty percent of the entrance fees you pay remain here in Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. Both completed and new projects include:

- Installing environmentally friendly toilets in the Escalante Backcountry
- Repairing and restoring several historic structures at Lees Ferry
- Installing a new fish cleaning station at Wahweap
- Helping fund the program to prevent the spread of zebra/quagga mussels to Lake Powell
- Performing necessary repairs and upgrades to docks, walkways, and roads

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Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

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Day Hikes in Glen Canyon

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<td>Bullfrog Campground Nature Trail</td>
<td>Start from Bullfrog Campground loop “B”, or park at the Ferry lot and walk up to trailhead.</td>
<td>1.5 mile (2km) round-trip</td>
<td>Sandy hike, some slickrock scrambling, follow rock cairns</td>
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<td>Pedestal Alley</td>
<td>From the Bullfrog Visitor Center, take Highway 276 north approximately 4.4 miles (7 km) to the marked junction with the Burr Trail. Turn left onto the Burr Trail and go about 4.8 miles (7.7 km) to the Pedestal Alley parking area. The trailhead is across the road from the parking area.</td>
<td>3 mile (4.8km) round-trip</td>
<td>Sandy and rocky, must cross some washes</td>
<td>Easy to moderate</td>
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<td>Bullfrog Narrows Trail</td>
<td>Leave your vehicle at the Bullfrog Visitor Center and walk the trail as far as you wish.</td>
<td>1 mile (1.6km) round-trip</td>
<td>Sandy wash, must climb in and out of wash</td>
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<td>Cathedral Wash</td>
<td>Drive down the Lees Ferry Rd from 89A for 1.4 miles, and park at the pullout. Then walk across the road to enter the wash, heading downstream.</td>
<td>3 mile (4.8km) round-trip</td>
<td>Rocky wash, requires some scrambling</td>
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<td>Lonely Dell ($1 Guide Available in Parking Area)</td>
<td>Lonely Dell Ranch Parking area at Lees Ferry. Park in the lot and walk towards the buildings and trees.</td>
<td>1 mile (1.6km) round-trip</td>
<td>Grassy and flat</td>
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<td>Paria</td>
<td>Park in the Lonely Dell Ranch parking area and walk past the buildings and trees to the river. The trail meanders upstream. Hike up and down the river as far as you wish. (Permit Required for Overnight Hikes - Permits available at Paria Contact Station)</td>
<td>The entire canyon is 45 miles (72.4km) one way</td>
<td>Sandy wash and multiple river crossings</td>
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<td>River Trail/Lees Fort</td>
<td>Park at launch ramp parking area. Walk through the historic district upstream along the Colorado River.</td>
<td>2 mile (3.2km) round-trip</td>
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<td>Spencer Trail</td>
<td>Park at launch ramp parking area. After walking along the river trail, Spencer Trail cuts to the left to climb the cliff.</td>
<td>2.2 mile (3.5km) one-way</td>
<td>1505 foot (457.8m) rocky climb up switchbacks</td>
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<td>Aqua Tierra (Free Guide Available)</td>
<td>Loop trail begins at Lake Powell Resort Lodge.</td>
<td>1.2 miles (2 km) round-trip</td>
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<td>Dam Overlook (Free Guide Available)</td>
<td>From Carl Hayden Visitor Center drive south 1.5 miles (2.4km) on Hwy 89, turn west on Scenic View Road. Take the first road to the right, and park in the parking area at the end of the road.</td>
<td>940 ft (286m) round-trip</td>
<td>Walk down stairs and over sandstone</td>
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<td>Hanging Garden (Free Guide Available)</td>
<td>From Carl Hayden Visitor Center, turn south on Hwy 89 and proceed across Glen Canyon Bridge. Turn off is one half mile (0.8km) east on Hwy 89. Trailhead parking is 500 yards (455m) off of Hwy 89.</td>
<td>1 mile (1.6km) round-trip</td>
<td>Rocky and sandy</td>
<td>Easy to Moderate</td>
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<tr>
<td>Horseshoe Bend (Free Guide Available)</td>
<td>From Carl Hayden Visitor Center turn south on Hwy 89. Approximately 5 miles on U.S. Hwy 89, just south of highway marker 545, turn west on the dirt parking area, and park at the base of the hill.</td>
<td>1.5 mile (2.4km) round-trip</td>
<td>Climb up and down sandy hill, Caution: dangerous drop-off, no railings</td>
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On all trails, there is little to no shade, questionable cell phone reception, and no water available. Be sure to bring enough water. Wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen and a hat. Before you leave, tell someone where you are going. Check weather and road conditions before attempting any hike. Do not enter any trails through washes if there is a potential for Flash Floods!
## Things to do in and near Glen Canyon

### One Hour

**Bullfrog**
- Tour Bullfrog Visitor Center and Defiance House Lodge or the Bullfrog Marina
- At the Bullfrog Visitor Center, watch the 50-minute movie on the history of Glen Canyon Dam

**Lees Ferry**
- Lonely Dell Ranch: Explore the orchard, log cabins, stone ranch house, and pioneer cemetery in this 1 mile (1.6 km) walk. Picnic under the fruit trees. Bring drinking water with you.
- Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center: View the double Navajo Bridges and Marble Canyon, learn about the history of the bridges, look for California Condors.
- Hike: River Trail & Lees Fort.

**Page Area**
- Carl Hayden Visitor Center: Exhibits about the Glen Canyon Dam, water conservation. Watch a movie about the Dam and about Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. View the aquarium featuring endangered native fish. Attend a Ranger program. Browse the Glen Canyon Natural History Association’s bookstore.
- Glen Canyon Dam Tours: Follow your guide to the crest of and into Glen Canyon Dam and to the powerhouse in this 45-minute tour. You must sign up in person at the Carl Hayden Visitor Center to attend the tour. Call for times: 928-608-6072.
- Hike: River Trail & Lees Fort.
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**Page Area**
- Antelope Canyon Slot Canyon Tours: Guided tours through the famous Antelope Canyon begin in the city of Page or at the entrance to the Navajo Tribal Park on Hwy 98. 1 ½ - 2 ½ hours. Navajo Park entrance fee and guide fees required.
- Antelope Canyon Boat Tours: Take a ride on a cruise boat with knowledgeable staff into the lake entrance of Antelope Canyon and to view the back of the Glen Canyon Dam. Tours begin in the lobby of the Lake Powell Resort Lodge. 1 ½ hours. For reservations call: 928-645-1070.
- Visit the John Wesley Powell Museum in the city of Page. $5 entrance fee.
- Visit the Big Water Visitor Center and its paleontological exhibits 12 miles north of Carl Hayden VC on Hwy 89.
- Hikes: Hanging Garden Trail, Horseshoe Bend Hike. Bring drinking water.

### Two Hours

**Bullfrog**
- Take a ride on the Halls Crossing-Bullfrog ferry. Walk on passes are $5 each one-way. Call 435-684-3000 for ferry schedule.

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### Three Hours

**Lees Ferry**
- Hike: Cathedral Wash. Bring drinking water.

**Page Area**
- Navajo Tapestry Boat Tour: Take a ride on a cruise boat with knowledgeable staff into Navajo Canyon where you will see a tapestry wall, then continue into Antelope Canyon and to the Glen Canyon Dam. Tours begin in the lobby of the Lake Powell Resort Lodge. 3 hours. For reservations call: 928-645-1070.
- There are several hikes along Hwy 89 North between Page, AZ and Kanab, UT. For information on these (Paria Townsite, Paria Rimrocks – Toadstool Trail, Bucktank Draw and Birthday Arch, Blue Pools Wash and Arch, Skylight Arch) please stop at the Carl Hayden Visitor Center. 2-3 hours each including driving time.

### Half-Day to All Day

**Bullfrog**
- Rent a power boat or kayak and explore the upper regions of the lake at your leisure. Call 435-684-3000 for reservations.
- Drive the Burr Trail up to the Halls Creek Overlook or Waterpocket Fold Overlook. See Bullfrog Visitor Center for Driving Guide.
- Drive to the Hite Overlook and the Hog Springs Nature Trail. See Bullfrog Visitor Center for information.

**Lees Ferry**
- Hike: Spencer Trail: This historic trail climbs 1505 feet (458.7 m) up the cliff behind Lees Ferry. It is not regularly maintained but is passable to careful hikers. Magnificent views of the Colorado River and Marble Canyon. Bring drinking water and food.

**Page Area**
- Rainbow Bridge Boat Tour: Take a 5½ - 8 hour boat ride up to Rainbow Bridge National Monument. Travel through superb views of Lake Powell to Bridge Canyon where you will disembark and walk approximately 1¼ mile (2 km) on a maintained, dirt trail up to this magnificent natural bridge. Bring drinking water with you on the trail. A box lunch is served on the ride back. Tours begin in the lobby of the Lake Powell Resort. For reservations call: 928-645-1070.
- Rent a boat or kayak and explore the lake. For reservations: Antelope Point Marina: 928-645-5900, Lake Powell Resorts Boat Rentals: 928-645-2433.
- Smooth Water Raft Trip: Join Colorado River Discovery for this memorable 5 hour float trip from the base of Glen Canyon Dam to Lees Ferry. For reservations call: 888-522-6644.

**Contact a Park Ranger or Visitor Center for more ideas to make your visit to Glen Canyon National Recreation Area the best it can be.**
To Flagstaff (120mi, 193km), Lees Ferry (65mi, 105km)

To Kanab (75mi, 121km), Big Water (12mi, 19km)

To Kayenta (75mi, 121km)
These are the only locations accessible by land. If you get in trouble out on the lake, it may be a long time before someone can come to help you. Lake Powell beaches have no lifeguards.

Live to Play Another Day... Be Safe!
If you are camping within one-quarter mile of Lake Powell, or more than 200 yards from a designated restroom facility, you are required to possess and utilize a human sanitation device (portable toilet), that does not use plastic bags to contain the waste. This waste must be disposed of in a designated dump station. You may also use a commercial waste bag containment system, which must be disposed of in the trash. These bag systems are available at visitor centers and area stores.

You are responsible for your pet. Pet waste must be cleaned up and disposed of properly.
Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

We are a cooperating association that supports and funds education, research, interpretation, and visitor services within the public lands on the Colorado Plateau. Working in partnership with Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Rainbow Bridge National Monument, and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, we promote and inspire the preservation and stewardship of cultural and natural resources.

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Ten Ways Not to Be Safe In Glen Canyon NRA

Danger! Glen Canyon’s beauty can deceive you into letting your guard down. Here are ten ways you can hurt or kill yourself in Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

1) You drove dangerously on the water.
It’s a desert. It’s hot! Your body needs water to replenish electrolytes and to stay cool. Soda and alcohol only help dehydrate you.

2) You had a few alcoholic beverages.
Boating under the influence is the same as driving under the influence—it is dangerous, illegal, and a good way to die. So save the booze for later.

3) You aren’t wearing your smartest accessory.
Wear your lifejacket. On the boat, it’s optional for you, but required for your children. On the docks and beaches anyone under 12, no matter how well he or she swims, should wear a lifejacket.

4) You breathed the deadly air.
Carbon Monoxide (CO) is the stuff nightmares are made of. Except you never wake up from this sleep. Don’t hang out where the boat vents its exhaust. Make sure CO detectors are working properly and pay attention to them. When your generator is running, no one should be playing or sleeping anywhere near it.

5) You drove dangerously on land.
You don’t have to be on Lake Powell to be in an accident in Glen Canyon. Each year rangers pull people who were driving dangerously out of wrecks.

6) You parked your boat in the wrong place.
That rocky overhang looks inviting during a rainstorm, right? Wrong! That is the worst place to go. The whole thing could fall on top of your boat. A rockfall killed two people in their boat in 2007.

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8) You jumped off what?
Cliff diving is a killer. It is illegal to jump off any structure, man-made or natural, that is more than 15 feet high.

9) You underestimated the elements.
Glen Canyon experiences extreme weather throughout the year. In the wintertime, water temperatures can be near freezing. In the summertime, keep your skin protected with light-colored clothing, sunglasses, a hat, and sunscreen. Sudden storms can create flash floods. Do not attempt to cross flooded areas.

10) You didn’t drink enough water.
Glen Canyon National Recreation Area Park Profile

Authorization
Glen Canyon NRA was established by the U.S. Congress on October 27, 1972 to “... provide for public outdoor recreation use and enjoyment of Lake Powell and lands adjacent thereto in the States of Arizona and Utah and to preserve the scenic, scientific, and historic features contributing to the public enjoyment of the area...”

Name
During Major John Wesley Powell’s 1869 expedition of the Colorado River, he noted, “So we have a curious ensemble of wonderful features - carved walls, royal arches, glens, alcove gulches, mounds, and monuments. From which of these features shall we select a name? We decide to call it Glen Canyon.”

Size
1.25 million acres (505,868 hectares) lies within the two states of Arizona and Utah.

Lake Powell
Only 13% of the National Recreation Area, but is the second largest man-made lake in North America. At full pool (3700’ elevation) it is 186 miles (299 km) long, has 1960 miles (3161 km) of shoreline, over 96 named side canyons, and a capacity of 27 million acre-feet (32 million cubic meters). Its maximum depth (at Glen Canyon Dam) is 561 feet (171 m).

Geology
Glen Canyon NRA is part of the Colorado Plateau ecosystem. Different environments over a period of 300 million years laid down layer upon layer of sedimentary materials, primarily sandstones and mudstones. Approximately 5 million years ago this region was uplifted, thus forming the Colorado Plateau. The Colorado River and its tributaries carved through the plateau’s layers, creating Glen Canyon.

Flora and Fauna
Glen Canyon NRA has catalogued the following species: 800 plants, 311 birds, 64 mammals, 27 fish, 28 reptiles, and 7 amphibians.

Archaeology and Human History
There are thousands of remote archeological sites throughout Glen Canyon NRA. The oldest human artifacts found are nearly 10,000 years old. There are four National Register listed properties within Glen Canyon NRA. These are Lonely Dell Ranch National Historic District at Lees Ferry, Defiance House Ruin, Hole-In-The-Rock, and the Davis Pictograph Panel.

Glen Canyon NRA is a fragile place, despite what you may think while recreating on lake Powell. Leave No Trace tenets apply here too. Leave your campsite looking better than when you found it. Pick up all your garbage so the next set of campers will have as beautiful site as you did during their visit. Do not pick up any of our natural or archeological resources, plants, rocks, pot sherds, etc. This practice is not only extremely disappointing to other visitors and park staff, but is illegal and subject to fines. Know these and other laws concerning leave no trace practices on our website at www.nps.gov/glca/parkmgmt/lawsandpolicies.htm. Explore the seven tenets of the Leave No Trace program at www.lnt.org.

Mussel-Free Certification
Quagga and zebra mussels are aquatic nuisance species. They do not belong in Lake Powell or the Colorado River. All watercraft at Glen Canyon NRA, including canoes, kayaks, and rafts, are required to be certified free of quagga and zebra mussels. Procedures to certify your watercraft are available through entrance station staff, stations near the top of all launch ramps, and online at www.nps.gov/glca. All vehicles with an attached watercraft or trailer must have a “Mussel Free” certificate visible through the front windshield. You are strongly encouraged to visit the website for detailed information about this program. Doing this may save you time and money when visiting Glen Canyon NRA. Take pride in preserving Lake Powell by doing your part in stopping the spread of mussels and other aquatic nuisance species.

You Can Become a Junior Ranger
Free Junior Ranger activity booklets are available at the Carl Hayden Visitor Center, Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center, Lees Ferry Ranger Station, Dangling Rope Contact Station, Rainbow Bridge National Monument, Bullfrog Visitor Center, and Halls Crossing Contact Station. Inside the booklet are a number of activities divided by age group. Once you complete three of the activities suitable for your age, bring the booklet back to any of the Visitor Centers to get your very own Glen Canyon Junior Ranger badge. There is also a website with dozens more activities from parks all over the country. Visit www.nps.gov/webrangers/ to become a webranger.
Would you consider planning a vacation into a vast, unknown wilderness to an undocumented destination? Would you consider embarking on this trip if you were told your destination may or may not exist? Be aware that this trip requires: (a) documented experience of successfully finding a needle in a haystack, and/or (b) successfully swatting a fly in complete darkness. If this seems like a good idea to you, know you share a bond with a group of successful explorers from 1909.

Traveling to Rainbow Bridge today entails a leisurely cruise on Lake Powell that presents much of the grandeur, but little of the challenge that the 1909 Douglass-Cummings expedition experienced during their 1909 search for the bridge. The scorching desert offered scant resources and little comfort for these men, who had collectively failed or abandoned the expedition on one previous attempt.

The previous failure to locate Rainbow Bridge was not due to a lack of determination or experience on the part of searchers, but was rather the product of a rugged, inhospitable maze of winding canyon terrain and extreme heat. Additionally, contemporary information regarding the location and potential existence of Rainbow Bridge was scarce and contradictory. This area of northern Arizona and southern Utah remained one of the last uncharted wilderness areas in the United States well into the 20th century, and Rainbow Bridge was a needle in that haystack.

Local Paiute and Navajo Indians were the first to reveal the location and potential existence of Rainbow Bridge to the outside world. During the discovery expedition in 1909, surveyor William Douglass tried to call it the Paiute word for rainbow - Barohoiini Bridge, but that name never stuck.

The proverbial needle in a haystack had been found. The race to “discover” Rainbow Bridge was over and the process to document and study Rainbow Bridge commenced within minutes of Professor Cummings’s exclamation.

That afternoon, Federal Surveyor William Douglass and Archaeology Professor Byron Cummings drew detailed geographical maps and prepared scientific observations regarding the Rainbow Bridge area. This information, coupled with high public interest in Rainbow Bridge, would ultimately lead President Taft to declare the site a National Monument a mere nine months later in 1910.

This summer the National Park Service celebrates the 100th Anniversary of the Anglo “discovery” of Rainbow Bridge, a geologic wonder first publicized to the outside world in August of 1909. After 100 years the story of the 1909 “discovery” of the bridge remains a vibrant tale of daring, ambition, and stewardship.

When you visit Rainbow Bridge today you are participating not only in its continual “discovery” by park visitors, but also in the continual preservation of the monument. The National Park Service maintains a state of preservation that is compatible to the same landscape that William Douglass sketched in his notebook on that joyous afternoon in 1909. Your own feelings of awe and wonder are a shared bond with the men of this 100 year-old expedition. There remain few opportunities in this modern world to travel back to earlier times and unchanged places; Rainbow Bridge is a living crucible of our past.

Even a hundred years later, the opportunity to discover or re-discover Rainbow Bridge awaits. Eureka, it remains quite a sight!

Jonathan Parker, Park Ranger

Rainbow Bridge National Monument Park Profile

Authorization
Rainbow Bridge NM was set aside on May 30, 1910 by President William H. Taft because the natural bridge itself "...is of great scientific interest as an example of eccentric stream erosion, and it appears that the public interest would be promoted by reserving this bridge as a National Monument..."

Administration
Because of its remote location, Rainbow Bridge NM was under the custodial management of Navajo National Monument from its authorization in 1910 until 1963, when management of the Monument was handed over to Glen Canyon NRA.

Name
No one person can take claim for the actual naming of the bridge. The name just came about by virtue of its resemblance to a rainbow turned to stone. During the discovery expedition in 1909, surveyor William Douglass tried to call it the Paiute word for rainbow - Barohoiini Bridge, but that name never stuck.

Affiliated American Indian Tribes/Groups
Five American Indian tribes/groups claim affiliation to Rainbow Bridge and surrounding areas. These are the Navajo, Hopi, San Juan Southern Paiute, Kaibab Paiute, and White Mesa Ute Council of the Ute Mountain Ute. A consultation committee made up of these groups was formalized in 1991.

Size
Monument: 160 acres (65 hectares)
Rainbow Bridge itself: Height - 291 feet (88 m) Span - 275 feet (84 m) Top of the arch is 42 feet (13 m) thick and 33 feet (10 m) wide.

Geology
Over millions of years, Rainbow Bridge was formed by the action of erosion as Bridge Creek flowed down from Navajo Mountain and carved through the relatively soft Navajo sandstone which rests upon the more resistant Kayenta formation.

Flora and Fauna
Glen Canyon NRA has catalogued the following species: 800 plants, 311 birds, 64 mammals, 27 fish, 28 reptiles, and 7 amphibians. Any of these species could potentially be found at Rainbow Bridge NM as well.
**Live to Play Another Day... Be Safe**

**Death Zone**

Carbon Monoxide Gathers Here

**Do** stay out of the Death Zone. In 2008, the park had one fatality and over 13 people became seriously ill due to Carbon Monoxide poisoning.

**Don’t** drink while boating. It is dangerous and illegal too! Alcohol is a major factor in up to 50% of boating fatalities.

**Do** wear your life jacket! In 2008, 3 people died from water-related accidents.

**Don’t** jump off a cliff. This young man DIED.

**Do** wear sunscreen and a hat, do bring plenty of water, don’t let the heat take over your vacation.

**Don’t** attempt crossing a flash flood! They come on strong, and they come on fast.