



# BEAR CREEK WATERSHED

## Fact Sheet 27 Designated Stream Segments

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### The Water Quality Control Commission has divided Bear Creek Watershed into 17 stream segments

Segments constitute a specified stretch of a river mainstem, a specific tributary, a specific lake or reservoir, or a generally defined grouping of waters within the basin (e.g., a specific mainstem segment and all tributaries flowing into that mainstem segment). Segments generally delineate according to the points at which the use, physical characteristics or water quality characteristics of a watercourse are determined to change significantly enough to require a change in use classifications and/or water quality standards. In many cases, such transition points can be specifically identified from available water quality data. In other cases, however, the delineation of segments shall be based upon best judgments of where instream changes in uses, physical characteristics or water quality occur, based upon upstream and downstream data.

*The Bear Creek Watershed Association protects and restores water and environmental quality within the Bear Creek Watershed from the effects of land use.*

Clear Creek County  
 Jefferson County  
 City of Lakewood  
 Town of Morrison  
 Aspen Park Metropolitan District  
 Brook Forest Inn  
 Conifer Sanitation Association  
 Conifer Metropolitan District  
 Denver Water Department  
 Evergreen Metropolitan District  
 Forrest Hills Metropolitan District  
 Genesee Sanitation & Water District  
 Geneva Glen  
 Jefferson County School District  
 Kittredge Water & Sanitation District  
 Tiny Town Foundation, Inc.  
 West Jefferson County Metropolitan District  
 Evergreen Trout Unlimited  
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Segment	Stream Segment Description
1a	Mainstem of Bear Creek from the boundary of the Mt. Evans Wilderness area to the inlet of Evergreen Lake
1b	Mainstem of Bear Creek from Harriman Ditch to the inlet of Bear Creek Reservoir
1c	Bear Creek Reservoir
1d	Evergreen Lake
1e	Mainstem of Bear Creek from the outlet of Evergreen Lake to the Harriman Ditch.
2	Mainstem of Bear Creek from the outlet of Bear Creek Reservoir to the confluence with the South Platte River
3	All tributaries to Bear Creek, including all wetlands, from the source to the outlet of Evergreen Lake, Except for specific listings in Segment 7
4a	All tributaries to Bear Creek, including all wetlands, from the outlet of Evergreen Lake to the confluence with the South Platte River, except for specific listings in Segments 5, 6a, and 6b
5	Swede, Kerr, Sawmill, Troublesome, and Cold Springs Gulches, and mainstem of Cub Creek from the source to the confluence with Bear Creek
6a	Turkey Creek system, including all tributaries and wetlands, from the source to the inlet of Bear Creek Reservoir, except for specific listings in Segment 6b
6b	Mainstem of North Turkey Creek, from the source to the confluence with Turkey Creek
7	Mainstem and all tributaries to Bear Creek, including wetlands, within the Mt. Evans Wilderness Area
8	Lakes and reservoirs in the Bear Creek system from the sources to the boundary of the Mt. Evans Wilderness area
9	Lakes and reservoirs in the Bear Creek system from the boundary of the Mt. Evans Wilderness area to the inlet of Evergreen Lake
10	Lakes and reservoirs in drainages of Swede Gulch, Sawmill Gulch, Troublesome Gulch, and Cold Springs Gulch from source to confluence with Bear Creek
11	Lakes and reservoirs in the Bear Creek system from the outlet of Evergreen Lake to the confluence with the South Platte River, except as specified in Segments 1c, 10, and 12; includes Soda Lakes
12	Lakes and reservoirs in the Turkey Creek system from the source to the inlet of Bear Creek Reservoir