San Juan River

Navajo Nation Permit and Camping Closure Information

PERMITS

The Navajo Nation requires additional permits to camp, hike, or visit archaeological sites on the south side of the river (river left). For information on how to obtain a Navajo Nation recreation permit, please contact the Navajo Parks and Recreation Department in Window Rock, AZ at (928) 871-6647.

CAMPING CLOSURE

Due to conflict between recreational camping use and bighorn sheep lambing and nursing requirements, the Navajo Nation has a year-round camping closure on the south side of the river (river left) at the following locations (see map below):

- The area immediately above and at Eight Foot Rapid.
- The area from the corner below Eight Foot Rapid to immediately above Ledge Rapid.

Boaters may camp in the area immediately below Eight Foot Rapid and the area immediately below Ledge Rapid with a Navajo Nation permit.

Scouting the rapids is allowed.

