of the Colorado River and the surrounding canyon walls. Visitors may even catch a glimpse of wild horses or Big Horn Sheep across the river. There are three fishing lakes, two of which are stocked year round. A fourth lake, reserved as the Swimmin' Hole, is surrounded by a sandy beach.

There are 80 campsites located within the campground that provide a variety of needs.

- A Loop, sites 1-34: Includes electrical hook-ups. Most sites provide some shade. Potable water is available from hydrants located throughout the campground. \$18.00/night
- B Loop, sites 35-40: Designated for tent campers only. Potable water available from a central hydrant. Moderate shade. \$14.00/night
- C & D Loops, sites 41-80: Includes water, sewer and electrical hook-ups. Sites vary from sunny to shaded. \$22.00/night

Fruita section: The park is conveniently located right off I-70 at exit 19. E-mail: fruita.park@state.co.us Phone: 970-858-9188. Come into our Visitor Center and browse through the bookstore. We have many educational and interpretive materials that will enhance your outdoor experience.

The Fruita section offers a short trail between the lake and the flowing Colorado River. We are within walking distance of many local restaurants and shops as well as the Dinosaur Journey Museum, a favorite for children.

There are 63 campsites located within the campground that provide a variety of needs.

- Sites 1-12, 25 and 36-44 provide full hookups, potable water and lots of sunshine. \$22.00 per night.
- Sites 13-24, 26-35 provide electrical hookups and potable water. \$18.00 per night.
- Sites 45-57 provide tent camping with a community water spigot and lots of sunshine. \$14.00 per night. These private sites are "walk-in" from the parking lot with distances varying between 24 and 140 yards.

#### **Group Camping**;

Sites A-F are for group camping and rent as a whole unit. This area accommodates up to 6 camping units and 36 people. Contact the park office or call 970-858-9188 for reservations.

If problems or questions arise, contact a park ranger at the park office or by calling: **Fruita section** @ 970-858-9188 and **Island Acres section** @ 970-464-0548. Pay phones are located at the Camper Services Building. For any emergency please dial 911.

#### **Special Events:**

Both Island Acres and Fruita sections offer use of **Group Picnic Areas** for your special occasions and gatherings. Consider reserving one of these private, comfortable areas directly through the park office for your reunions, weddings, birthdays, anniversary celebrations and company picnics.

Island Acres has two group picnic areas. Both group picnic areas are located in the day use area right across from the swimming lake. Wildhorse Group Picnic Area is \$68.00 and provides private parking, a covered pavilion, stainless steel countertop, electrical access, volleyball and horseshoes. The Grand River Group Picnic Area is \$38.00 and is more suited for smaller groups. Grand River is located under a large group of Cottonwood trees. It also provides private parking, volleyball and horseshoes.

Fruita offers the scenic Red Rock Group Picnic Area with a panoramic backdrop of the Colorado National Monument on the south side of the park. It rents for \$98.00 which includes a covered pavilion, stainless steel countertop with electrical outlets, volleyball and horseshoes.

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- Keep pets on a 6' leash or less at all times and under control.
- · Swim only in designated areas.
- Keep motorized vehicles on designated roads.
- · Never leave fires unattended.
- Don't collect any natural materials for fires.
- · Observe quiet hours from 10pm until 6am.

Events and local information can be found on the following Web sites. There are links to mountain biking, wineries, public lands, golf courses, museums and many other local attractions.

www.visitgrandjunction.com
www.gjchamber.org
www.downtowngj.org
www.palisadecoc.com
www.fruita.org
www.gofruita.com
www.fruitachamber.org
www.cedaredgecolorado.com
www.westerncolorado.org
www.coloradowest.org

#### **Newspapers**

www.gjsentinel.com www.gjfreepress.com

### **Annual Events Calendar:**

April – Fruita Fat Tire Festival

May – Mike the Headless Chicken Days

June – JUCO, Country Jam

July – Mesa County Fair, Dinosaur Days

August – Palisade Peach Festival

September — Fruita Fall Festival, Colorado Mountain Winefest, Rock Jam, Color Sunday

December – Hometown Christmas, Olde Fashioned Christmas,
Parade of Lights

Also watch for summer activities including the Riverfront Concert Series, local farmer's markets, golf tournaments and weekly rodeos.



## James M. Robb - Colorado River State Park Information



## Welcome to the James M. Robb - Colorado River State Park

**Unique to the park system, James M. Robb - Colorado River State Park** is actually five diverse sections along the Colorado River as it flows through the Grand Junction area. From Island Acres on the east through Corn Lake, Wildlife Area, Connected Lakes and on down the river to Fruita, we offer a variety of recreational opportunities.

The eastern anchor - **Island Acres**, and western anchor — **Fruita**, provide camping opportunities, while the 3 middle sections are for day use activities.

## Park Activities and Area Attractions

While enjoying the park's amenities during your stay, remember that the Grand Valley Area is rich with many other recreational and cultural opportunities. While staying at the Fruita campground you'll be within view of the scenic Colorado National Monument. Island Acres campground is neighbored by the Little Bookcliffs Wild Horse Range where over 300 wild horses and Bighorn sheep dwell on the cliffs and in the canyons.

The world-renowned Kokopelli trailhead, Grand Mesa Scenic Byway, more than 15 local wineries and breweries, Western Slope Vietnam War Memorial Park, dinosaur attractions along the Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Byway, and much more are just minutes away. Ask for information at the park office.

You can also fill your day recreating in either campground. Children and adults alike will enjoy our sandy swim beaches, well-stocked fishing lakes, playgrounds and hiking and biking trails. Boating with electric & hand propelled craft is allowed in specified areas of the lakes. The Corn Lake, Connected Lakes and Fruita sections offer a boat launch into the Colorado River.

A Colorado State Parks pass is required year round for all vehicles.

\$5 Daily pass • \$55 Annual pass • \$27 Aspen Leaf pass is for Colorado residents over 64

## **Campsite Reservations**

Call I-800-678-2267 or visit us online at www.parks.state.co.us to reserve campsites.

- Reservations are available from 6 months to 3 days in advance of your arrival.
- · A charge of \$8.00 (non-refundable) is required when reserving a campsite.

Centrally located in both campgrounds is the Camper Services Building. Campers may enjoy coin-operated hot showers, flush toilets, laundry facilities and vending machines. Diaper changing stations are available in the shower facility. Firewood is available for sale from the Visitor Center or Campground Hosts.

Site occupancy is limited to six persons and a maximum of 14 days. A daily pass, Annual pass or Aspen Leaf pass is required in addition to applicable camping fees.

Reduced camping fees may be available during the winter season due to reduced amenities.

**Island Acres Section:** Island Acres is conveniently located just 5 miles east of Palisade on I-70 at exit 47 along the Colorado River in Debeque Canyon. Phone number is: 970-464-0548.

Island Acres offers great scenery and is a popular area for walking, biking, fishing, swimming, and wildlife viewing. For hikers and bikers, the one mile Cobblestone Trail offers scenic views

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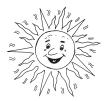
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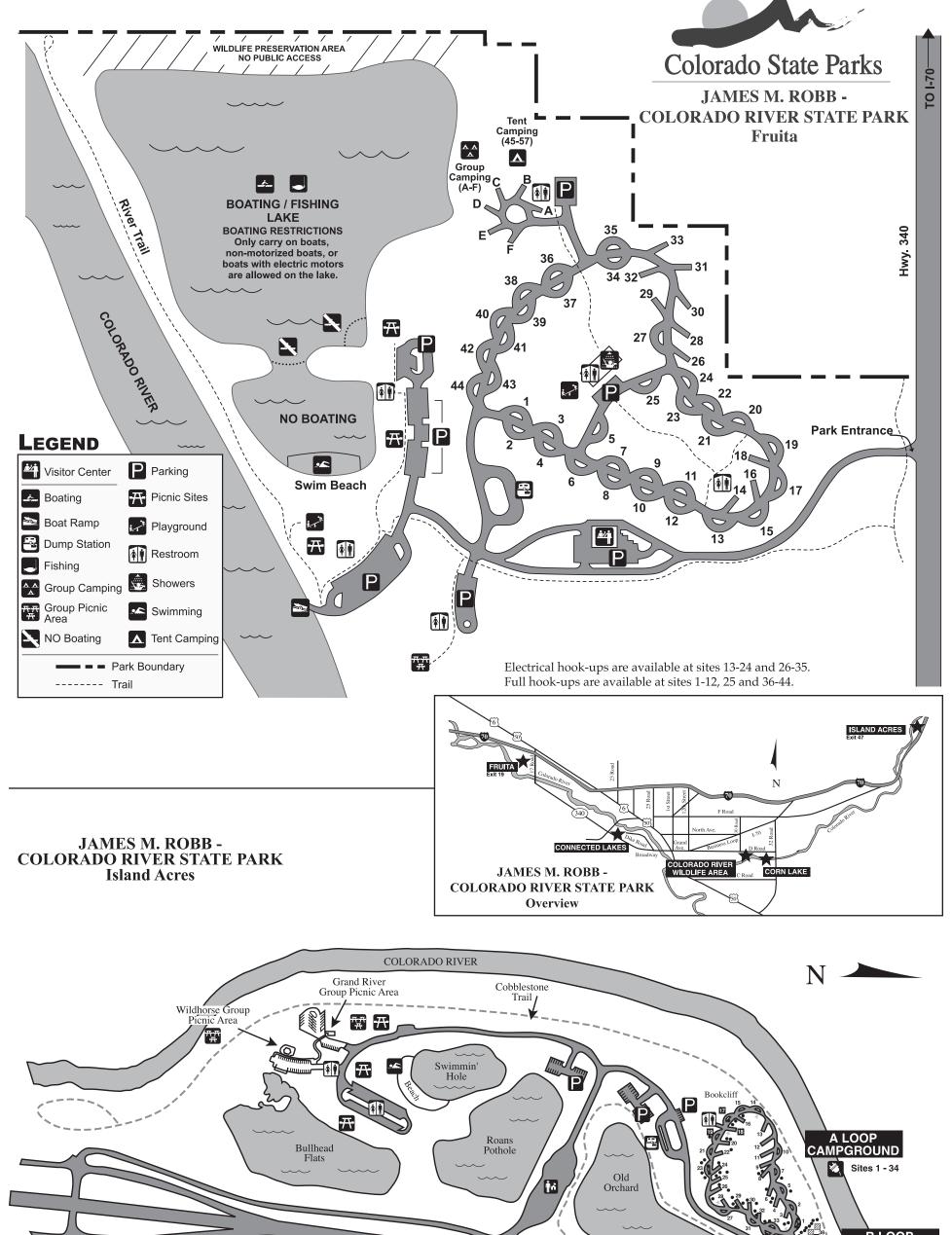
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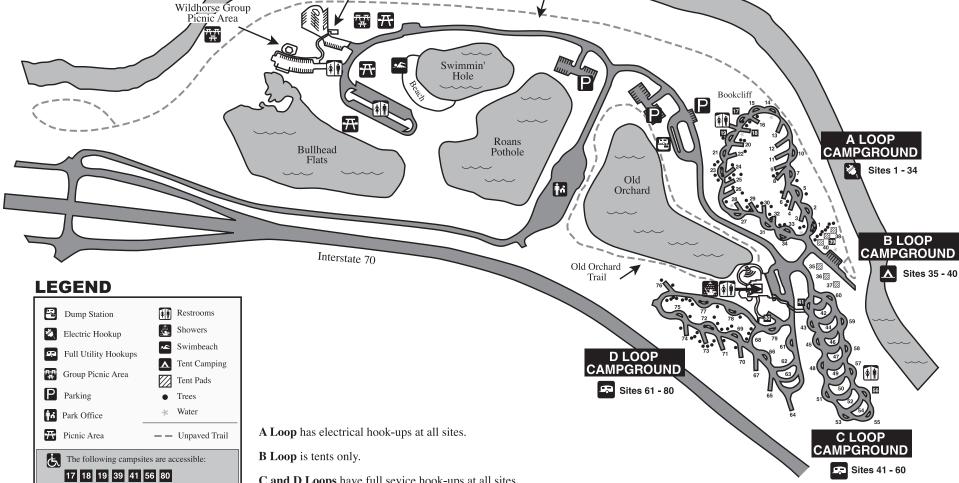
colorado.river.park@state.co.us Web site:

www.parks.state.co.us









C and D Loops have full sevice hook-ups at all sites.