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Glen Canyon News Release

Castle Rock Cut Opens

Page, Ariz. – Glen Canyon National Recreation Area today announced that the Castle Rock Cut is officially open to boat travel on Lake Powell.

The Castle Rock Cut provides boaters on Lake Powell a convenient travel route between Wahweap and Warm Creek Bays. Boaters no longer need to travel through The Narrows to reach uplake destinations. Traveling through the Castle Rock Cut saves about 12 miles to popular areas such as Rainbow Bridge, Padre Bay, and Warm Creek Bay. This is the first time the Castle Rock Cut has been passable since 2003.

The elevation of Lake Powell reached 3,620 late Wednesday afternoon and continues to rise. At this lake elevation, the cut is inundated to a depth that makes boat passage safe. National Park Service staff placed buoys to mark the channel from Wahweap to the junction of Warm Creek and the main river channel. The cut is marked as a no wake zone.

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