

LaSunder Cave Trip Permit

Permit Number: _____ CCS Approval: _____

Permission is hereby granted to the following trip leader and persons named below for access into LaSunder Cave for the following area(s): Front Section Only Front & Back Sections Annual Work Trip

Subject to the following terms, conditions, and stipulations:

- A. A “Hazards and Special Stipulation” sheet attached must be reviewed and signed by all parties prior to entering the cave. The permittee is responsible for their own actions and safety at all times.
- B. Permittees agree as a condition precedent to the issuance of the authorization to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the United States and Colorado Cave Survey (CCS) and /or its agencies and representatives against and from any demands, claims, or liabilities of every nature whatsoever including, but not limited to, damages to property, injuries to or death of persons arising directly or indirectly from or connected in any with the use of the lands and cave.
- C. Permittee agrees to fill out a monitoring form and submit to CCS with the key after the trip.
- D. Limitations:
 - 1. **Authorized activities:** This permit authorizes only non-disturbing activities such as recreational visits, monitoring cave resources, and conditions as described in LaSunder Cave Management plan. Activities requiring digging, removal or alteration of natural cave feature, or entrance of the Flamingo Crawl are NOT authorized under this permit.
 - 2. **Human waste and trash disposal:** Human waste shall not be disposed of inside the cave or near the cave entrance. Litter or waste products of any kind shall not be left inside the cave and shall be removed from public lands.
 - 3. **Cave Resource Protection:** Cave values which may be present (biota, cultural, geologic, mineralogical, paleontologic, hydrologic) shall not be damaged, destroyed, removed or disturbed. If in connection with operations under this permit any of the above resources are damaged, the proponent shall immediately suspend all activities in the immediate vicinity and notify CCS and/or BLM of the findings.
 - 4. **Cave Gate:** The gate must be locked upon entering and leaving the cave to prevent unauthorized entry.
 - 5. **Gate Key:** The key must be returned within 5 days after the trip to CCS, unless arrangements are made to keep it longer due to unforeseen circumstances. The trip leader is responsible for security of the key.
 - 6. **Forms:** The trip leader is responsible for returning the permit, a completed LaSunder Cave Monitoring Form, and Hazard and Stipulation forms signed by everyone on the trip to the CCS within 5 days after the trip.
 - 7. **Group Size:** Recreational trips allowed no more than 6 persons including trip leader. The annual work trip requires and is limited to 3 persons.
- E. This permit is valid for the following date(s): _____

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the above conditions and agree to abide by them:

Name of Trip Leader: _____ Signature: _____

Name, Address, Phone #, and Signatures of all trip participants:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____