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NEWS RELEASE

Float to Work Day Returns August 23

Durango, CO: The City of Durango is hosting the second annual Float to Work Day on Friday, August 23 from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. Float to Work Day encourages commuting on the Animas River for all river users -- kayakers, rafters, paddle boarders and other allowable floating crafts. To celebrate commuting to work on the water, join us at Memorial Park for a fun morning float to Schneider Park, where light breakfast and coffee will be available.

For the safety of river commuters, please enter the river at the designated put-in at Memorial Park on 29th Street, and exit the river at the 9th Street take-out at Schneider Park. The City will be closely monitoring river conditions to ensure Friday, August 23 will be safe for floating to work.

If you do not have your own watercraft, reserve a free seat on a guided raft from by emailing GetAroundDurango@durangogov.org or calling (970) 375-4901.

The City highly encourages the use of personal floatation devices (PFDs) and helmets on the Animas River. If you do not have a PFD or helmet, please consider a rental from one of the many local river sports companies.

In the spirit of clean commuting, please leave your car at home if possible. Durango Transit is offering free rides for all Float to Work Day participants at the Schneider Park take-out to shuttle back to Memorial Park. We encourage walking, biking, busing and carpooling to get to Memorial Park.

Clean commuting is about more than avoiding your car for the day. It is also about keeping the Animas River and riverbank clean and healthy for all to enjoy. Put-in and take-out only at designated spots, dispose of trash and recycling before you float and please do not litter. Local experts and environmental groups will be there on the day to provide information about water quality and what you can do to protect it.

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