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Birth places of Spawning Salmon, Steelhead, and Trout!

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Take a look the illustrated photograph on the left. It's been outlined to show the exact location of two "redds". Now look to the right and see the comparison. Looking back and forth will familiarize you with what to look out for if ever wading a river where redds prevail.

The redd in the foreground is brighter and shallower than the one in the background; notice that the algae colored rocks are darker. Between the two redds you can see that there is a strip of algae covered rocks. This discoloration that separates the two are very strong indicators that a redd is on both sides of it. When the redd is complete the rocks at the back end of it are predominantly where you will find the eggs, that is, don't dig up the nest, just know that it is there and make sure not to step on it. It is important to know that more than one pair of fish can use a redd, and many times that is the case. The best rule of thumb to use is to look at the disturbed rocks on the riverbed and notice the undulating pattern they exhibit. If anglers must use the river to wade, walk along the undisturbed rocks.

Whatever the cost, don't walk inside the nests. It's okay to walk on the outside of them and if you cannot tell the difference it's best not to risk damaging the eggs and stay out of the water entirely. Boaters need to be aware of these too since on occasion they may want to beach the boat to fish the area.