

## PLEASE REVIEW THIS INFORMATION BEFORE READING THE CALENDARS

Four separate calendars are provided to aid river trip planning: 1) the Lees Ferry's launch calendar, 2) the Phantom Ranch exchange calendar, 3) the Whitmore exchange calendar, and 4) the Diamond Creek takeout calendar. These calendars list the tentative schedules for all commercial, non-commercial, research and National Park Service work trips (except patrol trips). The National Park Service will continue to post this information if doing so proves to be useful and feasible.

Because there is presently no automatic way to generate complete river calendars, the calendars are manually generated and posted to the website approximately one month in advance. An automated system is expected to be completed sometime in 2007. Once posted on this website, these calendars will not be updated. Some minor trip changes should be expected to occur after the calendars are posted.

### How to read the calendars

Each trip is labeled on the calendar according to its planned schedule. The first abbreviation represents the name of the company or type of trip. The second number represents the maximum number of passengers at any given time (including crew). The final series of numbers and letters reflects the trip's planned schedule. Whitmore and Diamond Creek schedules include prefixes detailing the type of activity as well. Some examples are provided. All trips launch at Lee's Ferry.

#### Abbreviations

##### *Type of Trip/Company Names*

**PRIV** = Private Trip   **RSH** = Research Trip   **GRCA** = NPS trip   **GCMRC** = GCMRC Research Trip  
**TRAN** = Commercial Training Trip   **AZRA** = Arizona Raft Adventures   **ARIZ** = Arizona River Runners  
**CAEX** = Canyon Explorations   **CANY** = Canyoneers   **COLO** = Colorado River and Trail Expeditions  
**DIAM** = Diamond River Adventures   **EXPD** = Canyon Expeditions   **HATC** = Hatch River Expeditions  
**HIGH** = AZRA/Discovery   **GRCE** = Grand Canyon Expeditions   **MOKI** = Moki Mac River Expeditions  
**OARS** = O.A.R.S. **OUTD** = Outdoors Unlimited   **TOUR** = Tour West   **WEST** = Western River Expeditions  
**WRAD** = Wilderness River Adventures

##### *Location*

**P** = Phantom Ranch                      **W** = Whitmore Helipad    **D** = Diamond Creek  
**J** = Jet boat                                **L** = Lake Mead                **>** = "Deadhead" (equipment/crew only)

##### *Takeout/Exchange Prefixes*

**X** = Passenger Exchange   **P** = Passengers Out   **T** = Takeout (entire trip)   **E** = Equipment Out

#### Examples

*PRIV 15 9P12D3L*

*A planned maximum of 15 participants, 9 days to Phantom Creek, 12 more days to Diamond Creek, 3 more days to Lake Mead to take out.*

*WEST 28 6W3J>L*

*28 participants, 6 days to Whitmore Helipad, 3 days to off-load passengers by jet boat, the crew and equipment will continue to Lake Mead.*

*AZRA 20 10D*

*20 participants, 10 days to Diamond Creek.*

The Lees Ferry Launch Calendar lists all trips by their launch dates. The launch schedule will mirror the launch schedule in [Appendix B](#) of the 2006 Colorado River Management Plan (CRMP) with two exceptions. First, additional “administrative trips” may be listed on the calendar. Administrative trips are always “additional” trips and never displace recreational trips. Second, some commercial trip slots may not be utilized – when earlier trips use up a company’s total user-day allocation for a season, additional trips may not be launched by that concessionaire. The number of days that trips can spend on each segment of the river above Diamond Creek are not dictated by the CRMP; only total trip lengths are restricted and vary by the season within which the launch occurs. For detailed information, see the [Commercial Operating Requirements](#) and [Noncommercial River Trip Regulations](#).

### **Phantom Ranch Exchange Calendar**

This calendar includes **only** those commercial trips that have scheduled a passenger exchange at Phantom Ranch and **all** non-commercial (PRIV) trips whether they are exchanging or not. Non-commercial trips are allowed to modify their exchange schedule up to and including the day of launch, and some noncommercial trips will decide to exchange passengers at Phantom Ranch.

There are few river camps in the stretch of river between Hance Rapids and Phantom Ranch. If you are not planning to exchange passengers, standard river courtesy calls for selection of camps outside this area. Use of the two camps at Cremation Camp, river mile 87, is restricted to those trips who will be exchanging passengers the following day. If your trip is not exchanging passengers in the vicinity of Phantom Ranch, do not plan to use that camp. If you are exchanging passengers and the calendar indicates there may be more than two trips doing so the same day as you, expect that Cremation Camp may be full and camp upstream. Courteous communication with other trips on the water can help reduce congestion in the Phantom Ranch area.

### **Whitmore Wash Exchange Calendar**

Some commercial trips use a helicopter service to fly out or exchange passengers at Whitmore Wash, RM 187. Beginning in 2007, helicopter flights will be restricted to the hours before 10 AM. The Whitmore schedule is included to assist those who wish to minimize their exposure to over flight noise or congestion. The “X” in front of the trip’s abbreviation signifies a passenger exchange; the “P” means that passengers will be flown out and only equipment will continue to the takeout.

### **Diamond Creek Takeout Calendar**

The Diamond Creek calendar includes all trips that indicate that some portion of their equipment and/or passengers will be utilizing the Diamond Creek takeout. Letters in front of the trip abbreviation have the following meanings: “T” means the entire trip is taking out, “P” means the passengers are taking out; “E” means that the equipment and crew only will be taking out.

Due to low water levels and increased numbers of launches, congestion has increased at Diamond Creek. Communication and cooperation among all launch ramp users is essential. The Hualapai Tribe has requested that groups not de-rig at the launch ramp between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. If the schedule indicates that several other trips will be taking out the same day as you, try to expedite your takeout and use as little space on the ramp as possible.

# Lees Ferry Launches September 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HATC 16 7W>L OUTD 18 15J>L TOUR 15 6W3J>L PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 7P 10D	2 ARIZ 20 6W2J>L EXPD 15 7P9D WEST 18 6W3J>L WEST 17 7W3J>L PRIV 16 7P 11D	3 AZRA 18 6P9D CANY 20 7J>L WEST 18 7W3J>L WRAD 16 6P7W>D PRIV 16 6P 8D PRIV 11 8P 10D	4 DIAM 20 7W>D GRCE 20 8J>L HATC 15 8W>L OARS 16 6P10D PRIV 12 4P 14D	5 CAEX 16 16D GRCE 20 8J>L WRAD 20 7W>L PRIV 16 8P 8D PRIV 12 7P 11D	6 ARIZ 20 6W2J>L AZRA 18 6P9D DIAM 20 4P5D GRCE 20 8J>L PRIV 16 9P 9D
7 ARIZ 20 7W2J>L AZRA 18 15D CANY 20 7J>L OARS 11 5P10D PRIV 16 7P 10D 3L PRIV 1 9P 9D	8 ARIZ 20 7W2J>L HATC 20 7W>L OUTD 18 7P9J>L TOUR 14 6W3J>L PRIV 16 7P 11D	9 TOUR 14 13W>D WEST 18 7W3J>L WRAD 20 6W>L PRIV 16 5P 7D 3L PRIV 16 7P 11D	10 CAEX 18 7P9D CANY 20 7J>L WEST 18 7W3J>L WEST 18 7W3J>L PRIV 14 7P 11D	11 DIAM 18 11W>D HATC 14 8W>L HIGH 15 10D OARS 12 6P10D PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 7P 11D GCMRC 14 D	12 GRCE 20 8J>L TOUR 15 18D WEST 18 7W3J>L WRAD 20 4P5W>L PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L	13 ARIZ 15 9P9W>D AZRA 20 10D GRCE 20 8J>L PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L
14 CANY 20 7J>L GRCE 20 8J>L GRCE 16 16J>L PRIV 16 6P 10D	15 ARIZ 20 7W2J>L HATC 20 7W>L MOKI 17 11W>D OARS 16 6P9D PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 9P 9D	16 HIGH 18 7P9D PRIV 14 7P 11D	17 HATC 12 6P7W>D MOKI 16 6P9J>L PRIV 14 9P 12D 3L PRIV 13 9P 10D 2L	18 AZRA 18 7P9D PRIV 8 9P 12D	19 TOUR 12 16D WRAD 16 14D PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 9P 12D	20 CAEX 17 7P9D PRIV 15 10P 11D
21 OARS 10 6P10D PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 9P 12D	22 OUTD 12 8P8W>D PRIV 16 8P 13D 1L	23 CAEX 16 8P9D OARS 16 16D PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 7D 3L	24 AZRA 15 7P10D PRIV 16 10P 11D	25 HIGH 18 7P9D PRIV 16 8P 12D PRIV 16 8P 13D	26 EXPD 15 8P9D PRIV 12 8P 13D	27 AZRA 18 7P10D MOKI 16 6P9J>L PRIV 16 8P 13D 5L PRIV 16 6P 12D
28 DIAM 16 6P8D PRIV 16 8P 13D 4L	29 PRIV 16 9P 10D PRIV 16 7P 12D	30 MOKI 18 6P9J>L PRIV 16 8P 13D				

# Phantom Ranch Exchanges September 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 MOKI 20 6P9J>L PRIV 13 9P 7D PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L	2 CANY 18 6P9J>L DIAM 28 4P5D PRIV 8 6P 10D PRIV 8 8P 8D	3 PRIV 10 9P 7D 2L	4 MOKI 18 6P9J>L	5 HIGH 20 6P9D PRIV 3 7P 9D PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 12 8P 8D 3L PRIV 16 9P 7D	6 PRIV 16 7P 9D
7 PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 7P 10D PRIV 12 4P 14D	8 AZRA 18 6P9D EXPD 15 7P9D WRAD 16 6P7W>D PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 6P 8D	9 DIAM 20 4P5D OARS 16 6P10D	10 PRIV 11 8P 10D	11 AZRA 18 6P9D OARS 11 5P10D PRIV 12 7P 11D	12 PRIV 16 8P 8D	13 PRIV 16 7P 10D 3L PRIV 16 5P 7D 3L
14 OUTD 18 7P9J>L PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 9P 9D	15 WRAD 20 4P5W>L PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 1 9P 9D	16 CAEX 18 7P9D OARS 12 6P10D PRIV 14 7P 11D	17 PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 7P 11D	18	19 PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L PRIV 16 6P 10D	20 OARS 16 6P9D PRIV 16 8P 10D
21 ARIZ 15 9P9W>D PRIV 16 7P 11D	22 HATC 12 6P7W>D HIGH 18 7P9D MOKI 16 6P9J>L PRIV 14 7P 11D	23 PRIV 16 9P 9D	24 AZRA 18 7P9D	25 PRIV 14 9P 12D 3L PRIV 13 9P 10D 2L	26 CAEX 17 7P9D OARS 10 6P10D PRIV 8 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 13D	27 PRIV 16 9P 12D
28 PRIV 16 8P 13D	29 OUTD 12 8P8W>D PRIV 16 8P 13D 1L PRIV 15 10P 11D PRIV 16 9P 12D	30 AZRA 15 7P10D CAEX 16 8P9D PRIV 16 8P 7D 3L				

# Whitmore Exchanges September 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 X WEST 18 6W3J>L X WEST 28 6W3J>L	2 P WRAD 28 7W>L	3 P HATC 6 7W>L	4 X WEST 18 6W3J>L P WRAD 28 7W>L	5 X WEST 28 6W3J>L	6 X ARIZ 28 7W2J>L X TOUR 15 6W3J>L
7 X OARS 16 6P8W4J>L X ARIZ 20 6W2J>L X WEST 18 6W3J>L P HATC 16 7W>L	8 X WEST 17 7W3J>L	9 X WEST 18 7W3J>L	10 P DIAM 20 7W>D	11 X ARIZ 20 6W2J>L P HATC 15 8W>L P WRAD 20 7W>L	12	13 X ARIZ 20 7W2J>L X TOUR 14 6W3J>L
14 X ARIZ 20 7W2J>L P HATC 20 7W>L P WRAD 16 6P7W>D P WRAD 20 6W>L	15 X WEST 18 7W3J>L	16 X WEST 18 7W3J>L X WEST 18 7W3J>L	17	18 X WEST 18 7W3J>L P HATC 14 8W>L	19 P WRAD 20 4P5W>L	20
21 X ARIZ 20 7W2J>L P DIAM 18 11W>D P HATC 20 7W>L P TOUR 14 13W>D	22	23	24	25 P MOKI 17 11W>D	26	27
28 P HATC 12 6P7W>D	29 P ARIZ 15 9P9W>D	30				

# Diamond Creek Take Outs September 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 ● HIGH 23 8D ● DSBL 12 16D PRIV 16 8P 7D 3L PRIV 13 8P 8D	2 PRIV 2 9P 7D	3 ● AZRA 20 6P9D PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 7 8P 5D 4L	4 ● AZRA 20 6P8D PRIV 8 7P 9D PRIV 11 6P 10D	5 PRIV 16 9P 7D	6 ● DIAM 28 4P5D PRIV 16 7P 9D
7 ● AZRA 15 10D PRIV 16 7P 9D	8 PRIV 13 9P 7D PRIV 8 7P 9D	9 ● AZRA 20 10D PRIV 16 7P 9D 4L	10 E DIAM 20 7W>D PRIV 8 8P 8D PRIV 10 9P 7D 2L	11 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L	12 PRIV 8 6P 10D PRIV 16 9P 7D	13 ● DIAM 20 4P5D ● HIGH 20 6P9D PRIV 12 8P 8D 3L
14 PRIV 3 7P 9D PRIV 16 7P 9D	15 E WRAD 16 6P7W>D PRIV 16 7P 9D	16 ● AZRA 18 6P9D ● EXPD 15 7P9D PRIV 16 6P 8D	17 PRIV 16 7P 10D	18 ● OARS 16 6P10D PRIV 16 7P 11D	19 ● AZRA 18 6P9D PRIV 16 7P 11D	20 ● CAEX 16 16D ● HIGH 15 10D ● OARS 11 5P10D PRIV 16 5P 7D 3L PRIV 11 8P 10D PRIV 16 8P 8D
21 ● AZRA 18 15D E DIAM 18 11W>D E TOUR 14 13W>D PRIV 12 4P 14D	22 ● AZRA 20 10D PRIV 12 7P 11D	23 PRIV 16 7P 10D 3L PRIV 16 9P 9D	24 ● CAEX 18 7P9D PRIV 1 9P 9D	25 ● OARS 12 6P10D E MOKI 17 11W>D PRIV 16 7P 11D	26 PRIV 16 7P 11D	27 PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L PRIV 14 7P 11D
28 ● OARS 16 6P9D E HATC 12 6P7W>D PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 7P 11D	29 ● TOUR 15 18D E ARIZ 15 9P9W>D PRIV 16 6P 10D	30 ● HIGH 18 7P9D PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L				