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PLEASE REVIEW THIS INFORMATION BEFORE READING THE CALENDARS

Five separate river trip calendars are available

- 1) Lees Ferry launch calendar
- 2) Phantom Ranch exchange calendar
- 3) Whitmore exchange calendar
- 4) Diamond Creek takeout calendar
- 5) Pearce Ferry takeout calendar

These calendars list the tentative launch schedules for all commercial, noncommercial, research, and National Park Service administrative trips. Patrol trips are not included. The calendars are posted to the park website (www.nps.gov/grca/parkmgmt/riv_mgt.htm) approximately one month in advance. Once posted, the calendars are not updated. Some minor trip changes may occur after the calendars have been posted.

How to read the calendars

Each river 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 reflect the trip's planned schedule. All trips launch from Lees Ferry. Trips launching from Diamond Creek are not included.

Abbreviations

Type of Trip/Company Names

PRIV = Private Noncommercial Trip
GCMRC = GCMRC Research Trip
AZRA = Arizona Raft Adventures
CANY = Canyoneers
GCDY = Grand Canyon Discovery
HATC = Hatch River Expeditions
OUTD = Outdoors Unlimited
WILD = Wilderness River Adventures

RSH = Research Trip
TRAN = Commercial Training Trip
ARIZ = Arizona River Runners
COLO = CO River and Trail Expeditions
GCEX = Grand Canyon Expeditions
MOKI = Moki Mac River Expeditions
TOUR = Tour West

GRCA = NPS trip
ADMN = Administrative Trip Other
CAEX = Canyon Explorations
EXPD = Canyon Expeditions
GCW = Grand Canyon Whitewater
OARS = O.A.R.S. Grand Canyon
WEST = Western River Expeditions

Location

P = Phantom Ranch
J = Jet boat

W = Whitmore Helipad
L = Lake Mead (Pearce Ferry)

D = Diamond Creek
> = "Deadhead" (equipment/crew only)

Examples

PRIV 15 9P 12D 3L	A planned maximum of 15 participants, 9 days to Phantom Ranch, 12 more days to Diamond Creek, 3 more days to Lake Mead to take out.
WEST 28 6W 3J >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.
GCEX 20 10D	20 participants, 10 days to Diamond Creek.

Lees Ferry Launch Calendar

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 the Noncommercial River Trip Regulations.

Phantom Ranch Exchange Calendar

This calendar includes commercial trips that have scheduled a passenger exchange at Phantom Ranch and all noncommercial (PRIV) trips whether they are exchanging or not. Noncommercial trips are allowed to modify their exchange schedule up to and including the day of launch.

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 Cremation 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, river mile 187. Helicopter flights are restricted to the hours before 10:00 a.m. except on days with four or more exchanges. The Whitmore schedule is included to assist those who wish to minimize their exposure to over flight noise or congestion.

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.

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.

Pearce Ferry Takeout Calendar

The Pearce Ferry calendar includes all trips that indicate that some portion of their equipment and/or passengers will be utilizing the Pearce Ferry takeout. The calendar does not include river trips managed by the Hualapai Tribe.

Lees Ferry Launches October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 PRIV 12 9P 9D PRIV 16 7P 14D	2 PRIV 16 8P 13D 3L OARS 16 6P11D	3 PRIV 16 10P 11D 2L PRIV 9 8P 10D 1L	4 PRIV 11 9P 12D 4L EXPD 14 7P9D	5 PRIV 16 10P 11D PRIV 16 8P 12D	6 PRIV 16 10P 11D AZRA 17 7P10D
7 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 15 7P 11D	8 PRIV 4 5P 6D CAEX 17 16D	9 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 14 8P 11D	10 PRIV 11 7P 12D 2L WILD 16 7P10D	11 PRIV 16 11P 10D PRIV 16 9P 12D	12 PRIV 16 10P 11D ARIZ 18 6P8D	13 PRIV 16 8P 13D 5L PRIV 8 8P 10D
14 PRIV 8 9P 12D MOKI 15 6P9D	15 PRIV 16 7P 9D 2L PRIV 2 8P 13D 2L	16 PRIV 15 8P 11D GCDY 18 7P10D	17 PRIV 1 10P 11D 5L PRIV 16 7P 14D	18 PRIV 16 8P 8D CAEX 11 15D	19 PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L PRIV 16 9P 12D	20 PRIV 3 6P 14D 2L OARS 16 7P12D
21 PRIV 15 9P 12D 4L PRIV 16 8P 13D 4L	22 PRIV 16 7P 9D AZRA 18 7P10D	23 PRIV 13 8P 13D PRIV 16 9P 12D	24 PRIV 16 7P 13D 2L OARS 16 8P11D	25 PRIV 6 9P 12D PRIV 16 10P 11D 1L	26 PRIV 11 9P 12D OARS 16 7P10D	27 PRIV 12 7P 12D 2L PRIV 16 9P 12D
28 PRIV 6 9P 9D 3L	29 PRIV 4 8P 13D PRIV 16 8P 13D	30 PRIV 16 10P 11D 4L	31 PRIV 16 10P 11D 4L PRIV 10 10P 9D			

Phantom Ranch Exchanges October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 PRIV 10 8P 12D	2 PRIV 16 8P 9D PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 6P 15D 3L CAEX 23 8P11D AZRA 15 7P9D	3	4 PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L AZRA 12 7P10D CAEX 17 7P9D MOKI 12 6P9D	5 PRIV 12 9P 11D 1L GCW 17 6P8D OARS 16 6P11D	6 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 15 7P 12D 2L
7 PRIV 12 9P 12D PRIV 16 7P 14D OARS 16 6P11D	8 PRIV 16 10P 11D	9 PRIV 12 9P 9D PRIV 16 8P 13D 3L	10 PRIV 9 8P 10D 1L EXPD 14 7P9D	11	12 PRIV 16 10P 11D 2L PRIV 11 9P 12D 4L PRIV 16 8P 12D PRIV 4 5P 6D AZRA 17 7P10D	13 PRIV 15 7P 11D
14 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 10P 11D	15 PRIV 16 10P 11D	16 PRIV 14 8P 11D PRIV 11 7P 12D 2L WILD 16 7P10D	17 PRIV 16 9P 12D ARIZ 18 6P8D	18	19 PRIV 16 9P 12D MOKI 15 6P9D	20 PRIV 16 8P 13D 5L PRIV 8 8P 10D
21 PRIV 16 11P 10D PRIV 16 10P 11D PRIV 16 7P 9D 2L	22 PRIV 8 9P 12D PRIV 2 8P 13D 2L GCDY 18 7P10D	23 PRIV 15 8P 11D PRIV 16 7P 14D	24	25 PRIV 16 8P 8D PRIV 3 6P 14D 2L	26 PRIV 1 10P 11D 5L OARS 16 7P12D	27 PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L PRIV 16 9P 12D
28 PRIV 16 8P 13D 4L PRIV 16 7P 9D AZRA 18 7P10D	29 PRIV 15 9P 12D 4L	30 PRIV 16 7P 13D 2L PRIV 13 8P 13D	31 PRIV 16 9P 12D OARS 16 8P11D			

Whitmore Exchanges October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 ARIZ 18 8P10W>D	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Diamond Creek Takeouts October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 TOUR 15 18D	2 PRIV 12 7P 11D ARIZ 18 8P10W>D AZRA 13 15D	3 OARS 16 6P11D EXPD 17 7P9D AZRA 17 14D MOKI 15 6P9D	4	5 WILD 16 14D	6 CAEX 13 7P9D
7 PRIV 16 9P 12D OARS 16 6P10D TOUR 8 14D	8 TOUR 15 8P11D	9 PRIV 16 8P 13D	10 AZRA 15 7P9D	11 PRIV 16 8P 9D	12 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 7P 13D CAEX 23 8P11D AZRA 17 16D CAEX 17 7P9D MOKI 12 6P9D GCW 17 6P8D	13 PRIV 16 7P 14D PRIV 10 8P 12D AZRA 12 7P10D
14	15 PRIV 16 8P 13D OARS 16 6P11D	16	17 OARS 16 6P11D	18 PRIV 12 9P 9D PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 4 5P 6D EXPD 14 7P9D	19 PRIV 12 9P 12D PRIV 16 10P 11D	20
21 PRIV 16 7P 14D AZRA 17 7P10D	22	23 CAEX 17 16D	24 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 15 7P 11D PRIV 16 8P 12D ARIZ 18 6P8D	25 PRIV 16 10P 11D WILD 16 7P10D	26 PRIV 16 10P 11D	27 PRIV 14 8P 11D MOKI 15 6P9D
28	29 PRIV 16 9P 12D	30 PRIV 8 8P 10D	31 PRIV 16 11P 10D PRIV 16 9P 12D GCDY 18 7P10D			

Pearce Ferry Takeouts October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 PRIV 16 8P 10D 4L OUTD 18 7P9L	2 PRIV 4 6P 10D 2L PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L	3	4	5	6 PRIV 14 8P 13D 3L PRIV 16 9P 9D 3L
7	8 PRIV 10 7P 14D 2L	9 PRIV 11 6P 13D 3L	10 PRIV 12 8P 13D 4L	11 PRIV 16 8P 13D 2L	12	13
14	15	16 PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L PRIV 12 9P 11D 1L	17 PRIV 16 6P 15D 3L	18 PRIV 15 7P 12D 2L	19	20 PRIV 9 8P 10D 1L
21	22 PRIV 16 8P 13D 3L	23 PRIV 16 10P 11D 2L	24 PRIV 11 9P 12D 4L	25	26	27
28 PRIV 11 7P 12D 2L	29	30 PRIV 16 7P 9D 2L	31			