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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
ARIZ = Arizona River Runners
CANY = Canyoneers
GCDY = Grand Canyon Discovery
HATC = Hatch River Expeditions
RAFT = Grand Canyon Raft Adventures
WILD = Wilderness River Adventures

RSH = Research Trip
TRAN = Commercial Training Trip
AZRA = Arizona Raft Adventures
COLO = CO River and Trail Expeditions
GCEX = Grand Canyon Expeditions
OARS = O.A.R.S. Grand Canyon
TOUR = Tour West

GRCA = NPS trip
ADMN = Administrative Trip Other
CAEX = Canyon Explorations
EXPD = Canyon Expeditions
GCW = Grand Canyon Whitewater
OUTD = Outdoors Unlimited
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 April 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 PRIV 8 9P 12D 3L PRIV 10 7P 13D TOUR 0 16D	2 PRIV 15 7P 11D 1L AZRA 21 16D GCEX 20 9J>L	3 PRIV 8 4P 6D 1L PRIV 12 6P 15D 4L HATC 13 9W>L OARS 16 7P11L	4 PRIV 16 12P 9D WEST 25 7W3J>L	5 PRIV 8 4P 12D 2L PRIV 16 8P 11D 2L	6 PRIV 16 10P 11D ARIZ 28 5P7D>L AZRA 18 7P10D
7 PRIV 8 8P 10D 3L PRIV 16 8P 12D OARS 16 6P12L	8 PRIV 16 7P 14D GCW 20 12D>L TOUR 16 16W>L	9 PRIV 8 9P 12D PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L GCEX 20 16J>L	10 PRIV 16 8P 11D CAEX 18 16D WEST 28 7W3J>L	11 PRIV 8 8P 12D 1L PRIV 16 8P 13D ARIZ 24 7P9D	12 PRIV 16 8P 13D CAEX 19 18D COLO 24 4P5W2L	13 PRIV 1 8P 13D 3L PRIV 16 9P 12D AZRA 0 16D
14 PRIV 14 8P 10D GCW 0 15D HATC 27 6P7W>L	15 PRIV 8 7P 10D 4L PRIV 16 7P 13D OARS 16 17L WEST 28 7W3J>L	16 PRIV 16 9P 12D AZRA 18 7P10D WEST 28 7W3J>L	17 PRIV 3 5P 7D PRIV 16 7P 14D GCW 16 15D WEST 15 7W3J>L	18 PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L GCDY 18 10D GCEX 20 16J>L	19 PRIV 8 7P 9D PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L RAFT 18 6P11D WILD 20 4P5W>L	20 PRIV 12 9P 12D EXPD 18 8P11D GCEX 20 9J>L
21 PRIV 8 9P 12D 5L PRIV 16 9P 12D CANY 20 7L OARS 16 7P9W3L	22 PRIV 16 8P 13D AZRA 0 16D COLO 24 5P7L	23 PRIV 8 8P 11D 3L PRIV 8 8P 10D 2L PRIV 15 6P 11D OUTD 0 15J>L RAFT 20 10D	24 PRIV 16 8P 8D TOUR 16 15J>L WEST 28 7W3J>L	25 PRIV 8 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 11D AZRA 18 6P9D GCEX 28 8J>L	26 PRIV 16 9P 10D 2L ARIZ 26 9W>L WILD 24 6P7W>D	27 PRIV 8 8P 13D 2L PRIV 16 9P 11D CAEX 18 8P10D CANY 20 7L
28 PRIV 16 8P 13D HATC 15 12W>L OARS 16 5P8W4L	29 PRIV 4 6P 8D PRIV 16 8P 13D GCDY 19 8D OUTD 21 7P9L	30 PRIV 16 7P 13D 1L TOUR 10 6W3J>L				

Phantom Ranch Exchanges April 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L	2 PRIV 11 8P 10D 2L	3 PRIV 16 8P 13D	4 PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L	5 PRIV 16 8P 8D	6 PRIV 8 4P 6D 1L PRIV 16 8P 12D
7 PRIV 14 9P 12D 5L PRIV 16 8P 13D 2L PRIV 10 7P 13D PRIV 15 8P 13D	8 PRIV 8 4P 12D 2L PRIV 16 11P 10D PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 15 7P 11D 1L PRIV 12 6P 15D 4L	9 PRIV 8 9P 12D 3L OARS 16 7P11L	10 ARIZ 28 5P7D>L	11	12 PRIV 16 8P 11D 2L AZRA 18 7P10D OARS 16 6P12L	13
14 PRIV 8 8P 10D 3L PRIV 16 8P 12D PRIV 16 7P 14D	15 PRIV 16 10P 11D PRIV 16 12P 9D COLO 24 4P5W2L	16	17 PRIV 8 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 11D ARIZ 24 7P9D	18 PRIV 8 8P 12D 1L PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L	19 PRIV 16 8P 13D HATC 27 6P7W>L	20 PRIV 1 8P 13D 3L
21 PRIV 3 5P 7D PRIV 8 7P 10D 4L PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 7P 13D PRIV 14 8P 10D	22 AZRA 18 7P10D WILD 20 4P5W>L	23 PRIV 16 7P 14D	24 PRIV 16 9P 12D RAFT 18 6P11D	25 PRIV 8 7P 9D PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L	26 PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L COLO 24 5P7L	27 EXPD 18 8P11D OARS 16 7P9W3L
28 PRIV 12 9P 12D PRIV 15 6P 11D	29 PRIV 8 9P 12D 5L PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 9P 12D	30 PRIV 8 8P 10D 2L PRIV 8 8P 11D 3L AZRA 18 6P9D				

Whitmore Exchanges April 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 WEST 25 7W3J>L	11 HATC 13 9W>L	12	13
14	15	16 WEST 28 7W3J>L	17	18	19 COLO 24 4P5W2L	20
21 WEST 28 7W3J>L	22 WEST 28 7W3J>L	23 TOUR 16 16W>L WEST 15 7W3J>L	24	25 HATC 27 6P7W>L	26 WILD 20 4P5W>L	27
28	29	30 WEST 28 7W3J>L				

Diamond Creek Takeouts April 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 PRIV 16 10P 11D 1L	2 PRIV 10 7P 14D	3 PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L	4 PRIV 16 9P 11D 1L PRIV 13 8P 13D	5 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 8P 13D	6
7 PRIV 16 7P 10D PRIV 3 10P 11D	8 PRIV 9 8P 11D 2L PRIV 16 10P 10D PRIV 15 6P 10D	9 PRIV 16 9P 9D 3L PRIV 11 10P 11D	10 PRIV 16 8P 13D	11 PRIV 14 8P 13D	12 PRIV 8 4P 6D 1L PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L PRIV 11 8P 10D 2L PRIV 16 9P 12D	13 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L PRIV 16 8P 8D
14 PRIV 16 7P 14D	15	16 PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L TOUR 0 16D ARIZ 28 5P7D>L	17 PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 8P 13D AZRA 21 16D	18 PRIV 16 8P 12D PRIV 16 11P 10D	19 PRIV 15 7P 11D 1L PRIV 14 9P 12D 5L GCW 20 12D>L	20 PRIV 8 4P 12D 2L PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 13D 2L PRIV 15 8P 13D PRIV 10 7P 13D
21 PRIV 8 9P 12D 3L AZRA 18 7P10D	22	23 PRIV 16 8P 11D 2L PRIV 12 6P 15D 4L	24 PRIV 8 8P 10D 3L PRIV 16 12P 9D	25 CAEX 18 16D ARIZ 24 7P9D	26 PRIV 16 8P 12D PRIV 16 10P 11D	27 GCDY 18 10D
28 PRIV 3 5P 7D PRIV 16 7P 14D PRIV 16 8P 11D AZRA 0 16D GCW 0 15D	29 PRIV 8 9P 12D PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L CAEX 19 18D	30 PRIV 8 8P 12D 1L				

Pearce Ferry Takeouts April 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	PRIV 16 8P 13D 3L 1	PRIV 16 10P 11D 1L PRIV 15 7P 14D 3L PRIV 15 7P 12D 2L 2	PRIV 16 10P 11D 4L PRIV 16 7P 10D 3L 3		PRIV 16 9P 11D 1L 4	PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L 5
7	8	9	PRIV 9 8P 11D 2L GCEX 20 9J>L 10	HATC 13 9W>L 11	PRIV 16 9P 9D 3L WEST 25 7W3J>L 12	PRIV 8 4P 6D 1L 13
PRIV 11 8P 10D 2L PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L 14	PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L 15	16	ARIZ 28 5P7D>L 17	PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L WEST 28 7W3J>L 18	OARS 16 7P11L GCW 20 12D>L 19	PRIV 15 7P 11D 1L COLO 24 4P5W2L 20
21	PRIV 8 4P 12D 2L PRIV 16 8P 13D 2L 22	OARS 16 6P12L WEST 28 7W3J>L 23	PRIV 8 9P 12D 3L PRIV 14 9P 12D 5L TOUR 16 16W>L GCEX 20 16J>L WEST 28 7W3J>L 24	PRIV 16 8P 11D 2L HATC 27 6P7W>L WEST 15 7W3J>L 25	26	PRIV 8 8P 10D 3L PRIV 12 6P 15D 4L WILD 20 4P5W>L CANY 20 7L 27
GCEX 20 9J>L 28	29	30				