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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 April 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L AZRA 18 18D GCW 20 12D>L
<b>2</b> PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L OARS 16 6P9W4L	3 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L TOUR 20 8P11D WEST 18 7W2J>L	4 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L GCEX 16 16J>L	5 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L CAEX 18 16D COLO 24 8W2J>L	6 PRIV 8 7P 14D 2L PRIV 16 7P 13D 1L ARIZ 16 8P10D	7 PRIV 16 11P 10D EXPD 18 8P11D HATC 21 6P7W>L	8 PRIV 16 11P 10D AZRA 18 16D
9 PRIV 16 11P 10D GCW 1 15D WEST 28 7W3J>L	10 PRIV 8 9P 11D PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L HATC 24 12W>D	11 PRIV 16 9P 12D GCEX 20 9J>L TOUR 20	PRIV 8 10P 11D PRIV 15 7P 12D 2L AZRA 18 7P10D	13 PRIV 5 7P 10D OARS 16 7P11L WEST 26 7W3J>L	14 PRIV 8 7P 14D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L	15 PRIV 11 6P 8D ARIZ 20 6P7D>L EXPD 17 18D
<b>16</b> PRIV 2 7P 8D PRIV 15 10P 8D CANY 20 7L OARS 16 7P8W4L	17 PRIV 16 6P 12D AZRA 18 6P11D COLO 24 5P7L	18 PRIV 8 7P 11D 3L PRIV 16 6P 14D 1L OUTD 18 7P9J>L RAFT 20 12L	19 PRIV 16 8P 13D WEST 16 8W2J>L	20 PRIV 8 8P 13D 2L PRIV 16 8P 13D AZRA 18 6P9D GCEX 28 9J>L	21 PRIV 16 8P 13D ARIZ 23 9W>L WILD 24 6P7W>L	PRIV 8 8P 13D PRIV 15 6P 6D 2L CANY 20 7L EXPD 18 7P9D
<b>23</b> PRIV 16 7P 9D HATC 18 12W>L OARS 16 6P10L	PRIV 8 8P 13D 2L PRIV 16 9P 12D GCDY 19 10D OUTD 18 7P9L	25 PRIV 16 8P 13D 3L TOUR 10 6W3J>L	26 PRIV 8 8P 13D 3L PRIV 13 9P 12D GCDY 18 7P8D WEST 27 7W3J>L	27 PRIV 16 10P 11D CAEX 16 16D WEST 28 7W3J>L	28 PRIV 3 10P 11D 2L PRIV 15 6P 10D GCDY 18 10D GCEX 20 16J>L	29 PRIV 16 9P 12D RAFT 18 6P11D WILD 28 4P5W>L
<b>30</b> PRIV 8 7P 11D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L CAEX 0 16D GCEX 28 8J>L						

# **Phantom Ranch Exchanges April 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 12D
<b>2</b> PRIV 15 8P 13D	<b>3</b> PRIV 15 8P 13D	4 PRIV 13 8P 10D PRIV 10 6P 10D	5 PRIV 8 4P 4D PRIV 13 10P 11D PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L	6 PRIV 16 8P 13D	7 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L OARS 16 6P9W4L	8 PRIV 8 5P 6D 1L PRIV 13 7P 8D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L
<b>9</b> PRIV 16 10P 11D	<b>10</b> TOUR 20 8P11D	11 PRIV 10 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 13D	12 PRIV 8 7P 14D 2L PRIV 16 7P 13D 1L HATC 21 6P7W>L	<b>13</b> ARIZ 16 8P10D	14 PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L PRIV 16 6P 10D EXPD 18 8P11D	15
<b>16</b> PRIV 8 9P 4D 3L	<b>17</b> PRIV 16 11P 10D	18 PRIV 8 9P 11D PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L PRIV 15 7P 12D 2L TOUR 20 AZRA 18 7P10D	19 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 5 7P 10D OARS 16 7P11L	20 PRIV 8 7P 14D PRIV 11 6P 8D ARIZ 20 6P7D>L	21 PRIV 8 10P 11D COLO 24 5P7L	PRIV 2 7P 8D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L PRIV 16 6P 12D OARS 16 7P8W4L AZRA 18 6P11D
<b>23</b> PRIV 16 6P 14D 1L	24 PRIV 8 7P 11D 3L OUTD 18 7P9J>L	<b>25</b> PRIV 15 10P 8D AZRA 18 6P9D	26 PRIV 16 8P 13D WILD 24 6P7W>L	27 PRIV 8 8P 13D 2L PRIV 15 6P 6D 2L PRIV 16 8P 13D	28 PRIV 16 8P 13D EXPD 18 7P9D OARS 16 6P10L	29 PRIV 8 8P 13D PRIV 16 7P 9D
<b>30</b> OUTD 18 7P9L						

# **Whitmore Exchanges April 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 WEST 18 7W2J>L	10	11	<b>12</b> COLO 24 8W2J>L	13	14	<b>15</b> OARS 16 6P9W4L WEST 28 7W3J>L
16	17	18 HATC 21 6P7W>L	19 WEST 26 7W3J>L	20	<b>21</b> HATC 24 12W>D	22
23	24	25	<b>26</b> WEST 16 8W2J>L	27 TOUR 20	28	<b>29</b> OARS 16 7P8W4L ARIZ 23 9W>L
<b>30</b> TOUR 10 6W3J>L						

# **Diamond Creek Takeouts April 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> PRIV 16 8P 9D
PRIV 16 6P 15D PRIV 11 9P 12D PRIV 16 10P 9D PRIV 16 8P 9D	3 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 9P 11D PRIV 16 8P 13D	<b>4</b> PRIV 13 8P 10D	5 PRIV 7 8P 13D PRIV 16 8P 10D 1L	6 PRIV 16 6P 12D	7 PRIV 16 8P 11D 1L PRIV 16 9P 12D	8 PRIV 11 7P 11D 3L
9 PRIV 8 4P 4D PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 7P 9D	10 PRIV 16 11P 10D PRIV 16 9P 12D	PRIV 13 8P 13D PRIV 16 8P 11D PRIV 14 8P 12D 3L	12 PRIV 9 8P 13D 3L PRIV 16 9P 12D GCW 20 12D>L	13 PRIV 16 9P 12D PRIV 16 8P 12D PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L	14 PRIV 8 5P 6D 1L PRIV 13 8P 10D PRIV 10 6P 10D	<b>15</b> PRIV 15 8P 13D
PRIV 16 8P 13D 2L PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L PRIV 13 10P 11D PRIV 13 7P 8D PRIV 16 7P 9D	17 PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L	<b>18</b> AZRA 18 18D	<b>19</b> PRIV 16 8P 13D	PRIV 8 9P 4D 3L PRIV 16 10P 11D PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L TOUR 20 8P11D CAEX 18 16D	<b>21</b> HATC 24 12W>D	<b>22</b> ARIZ 16 8P10D
23 PRIV 10 9P 12D AZRA 18 16D GCW 1 15D	24 PRIV 16 8P 13D PRIV 16 6P 10D EXPD 18 8P11D	<b>25</b> PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L PRIV 16 7P 13D 1L	26 PRIV 8 7P 14D 2L ARIZ 20 6P7D>L	27 PRIV 16 11P 10D TOUR 20 AZRA 18 7P10D	28 PRIV 11 6P 8D	<b>29</b> PRIV 8 9P 11D PRIV 5 7P 10D
30 PRIV 2 7P 8D PRIV 16 9P 12D 3L PRIV 15 7P 12D 2L						

# **Pearce Ferry Takeouts April 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L
2 PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L	<b>3</b> PRIV 6 7P 14D 10L	4	5	6 PRIV 16 8P 10D 1L	7	8 PRIV 16 8P 11D 1L
9	<b>10</b> WEST 18 7W2J>L	11 PRIV 11 7P 11D 3L	<b>12</b> GCW 20 12D>L	13 COLO 24 8W2J>L	<b>14</b> PRIV 14 8P 12D 3L	15 PRIV 8 5P 6D 1L PRIV 9 8P 13D 3L
<b>16</b> PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L	<b>17</b> PRIV 14 7P 9D 1L WEST 28 7W3J>L	18 PRIV 16 8P 13D 2L PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L OARS 16 6P9W4L HATC 21 6P7W>L	19 GCEX 16 16J>L GCEX 20 9J>L	20	<b>21</b> WEST 26 7W3J>L	<b>22</b> PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L CANY 20 7L
<b>23</b> PRIV 8 9P 4D 3L	24	25	<b>26</b> PRIV 16 7P 13D 1L	27 ARIZ 20 6P7D>L COLO 24 5P7L WEST 16 8W2J>L	28 PRIV 8 7P 14D 2L PRIV 16 10P 11D 3L GCEX 28 9J>L CANY 20 7L	<b>29</b> OARS 16 7P11L RAFT 20 12L
<b>30</b> ARIZ 23 9W>L						