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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 September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 6P 11D PRIV 10 13P 5D 1L CAEX 21 7P9D GCEX 28 8J>L WILD 26 7W>L	2 PRIV 16 7P 11D ARIZ 28 6W2J>L COLO 18 11W3J>L GCEX 28 8J>L GCW 20 8D>L
3 PRIV 6 8P 4D 2L PRIV 16 5P 13D 2L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L AZRA 18 15D CANY 20 7L OARS 16 5P7W5L	4 PRIV 15 9P 9D ARIZ 24 7W2J>L HATC 27 9W>L OUTD 21 7P9L TOUR 24 6W3J>L	5 PRIV 13 8P 10D PRIV 16 8P 10D 3L WEST 26 7W3J>L WILD 28 10W>L WILD 24 6P7W>L	6 PRIV 16 7P 9D CAEX 18 16D CANY 20 7L WEST 17 7W3J>L WEST 27 7W3J>L	7 PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L PRIV 16 7P 10D GCEX 28 8J>L GCEX 20 16D HATC 0 7W>L OARS 16 6P11L	8 PRIV 16 8P 10D GCEX 28 8J>L TOUR 16 18D WEST 26 7W3J>L WILD 27 4P5W>L	9 PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L PRIV 16 6P 11D 1L ARIZ 20 8P10W>D AZRA 19 12D GCEX 28 8J>L
10 PRIV 16 7P 11D ARIZ 28 7W2J>L CANY 20 7L GCDY 19 12D OARS 16 6P10L	11 PRIV 16 6P 12D PRIV 16 8P 9D 3L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L AZRA 18 6P9D GCW 24 14D HATC 29 7W>L	12 PRIV 1 -2P 2D HATC 15 7W>L OUTD 18 7P9W>D TOUR 25 6W3J>L WILD 27 4P5W>L	13 PRIV 16 9P 9D 1L PRIV 12 5P 7D 1L EXPD 19 16D WEST 23 6W3J>L WEST 28 7W3J>L	14 PRIV 10 8P 10D 3L AZRA 18 7P9D CANY 20 7L GCW 28 8D>L WEST 28 7W3J>L	15 PRIV 16 8P 10D 3L PRIV 7 7P 9D GCEX 28 8J>L HATC 16 7W>L OARS 16 6P11L TOUR 20 15J>L	16 PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L HATC 23 6P7L RAFT 18 6P9D
17 PRIV 16 9P 9D PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L OUTD 0 15L	18 PRIV 16 8P 10D AZRA 18 15D OARS 16 6P10D	19 PRIV 12 9P 12D 2L PRIV 16 7P 11D CAEX 18 7P9D	20 PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L GCDY 18 16D RAFT 18 6P9D	21 PRIV 16 10P 11D 2L PRIV 16 7P 14D TOUR 15 18D	22 PRIV 16 10P 11D CAEX 17 15D WILD 22 6P9D	23 PRIV 13 8P 13D 3L PRIV 16 8P 13D OARS 16 7P10D
24 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L TOUR 0 18D	25 PRIV 16 7P 14D PRIV 15 10P 11D EXPD 17 18D	26 PRIV 16 8P 10D AZRA 18 16D TOUR 0 18D	27 PRIV 16 6P 11D PRIV 16 6P 11D PRIV 16 8P 12D GCDY 18 16D	28 PRIV 10 8P 13D AZRA 18 16D CAEX 18 18D	29 PRIV 16 8P 11D PRIV 16 6P 12D 3L RAFT 18 6P11D	30 PRIV 16 7P 9D GCW 20 14D OARS 16 6P11D

Phantom Ranch Exchanges September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 AZRA 20 6P9D	2 PRIV 8 8P 8D 3L PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 16 6P 10D RAFT 20 6P9D OARS 16 5P7W5L GCW 28 4P5D>L
3 PRIV 8 7P 8D 3L	4 PRIV 8 6P 8D PRIV 16 7P 9D	5 PRIV 16 7P 9D EXPD 18 7P9D	6 PRIV 16 6P 11D	7 PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 5P 13D 2L CAEX 21 7P9D OARS 16 5P7W5L	8 PRIV 16 7P 11D	9
10 PRIV 6 8P 4D 2L OUTD 21 7P9L WILD 24 6P7W>L	11 WILD 27 4P5W>L	12 PRIV 13 8P 10D PRIV 15 9P 9D PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 16 8P 10D 3L OARS 16 6P11L	13 PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L PRIV 16 7P 10D PRIV 10 13P 5D 1L	14 PRIV 16 6P 11D 1L	15 PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L PRIV 16 8P 10D OARS 16 6P10L WILD 27 4P5W>L	16 PRIV 16 6P 12D PRIV 16 7P 11D ARIZ 20 8P10W>D AZRA 18 6P9D
17 PRIV 12 5P 7D 1L	18 PRIV 16 8P 9D 3L OUTD 18 7P9W>D	19	20 AZRA 18 7P9D OARS 16 6P11L	21 PRIV 16 9P 9D 1L PRIV 10 8P 10D 3L PRIV 7 7P 9D HATC 23 6P7L RAFT 18 6P9D	22 PRIV 16 8P 10D 3L	23 OARS 16 6P10D
24 PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L PRIV 16 8P 12D 1L	25 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 9P 9D PRIV 16 7P 11D CAEX 18 7P9D RAFT 18 6P9D	26	27 PRIV 12 9P 12D 2L PRIV 16 7P 14D WILD 22 6P9D	28 PRIV 16 9P 12D 2L	29 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L OARS 16 7P10D	30 PRIV 13 8P 13D 3L PRIV 16 10P 11D 2L PRIV 16 8P 13D

Whitmore Exchanges September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 OARS 16 6P7W5L ARIZ 26 7W2J>L
3 HATC 0 7W>L	4 WILD 5 3P5W>L WEST 27 6W3J>L WEST 16 6W3J>L	5 WEST 28 6W3J>L	6 HATC 0 9W>L ARIZ 26 7W2J>L	7 WILD 26 7W>L ARIZ 28 6W2J>L	8 OARS 16 5P7W5L	9 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L TOUR 24 6W3J>L
10 ARIZ 24 7W2J>L	11 WEST 26 7W3J>L	12 COLO 18 11W3J>L HATC 27 9W>L WEST 17 7W3J>L WEST 27 7W3J>L	13 OARS 16 5P7W5L HATC 0 7W>L	14 WILD 28 10W>L WEST 26 7W3J>L	15 WILD 27 4P5W>L	16 WILD 24 6P7W>L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L
17 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L HATC 29 7W>L TOUR 25 6W3J>L	18 HATC 15 7W>L WEST 23 6W3J>L	19 WILD 27 4P5W>L WEST 28 7W3J>L	20 WEST 28 7W3J>L	21 HATC 16 7W>L	22	23
24	25 ARIZ 20 8P10W>D	26 OUTD 18 7P9W>D	27	28	29	30

Diamond Creek Takeouts September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 PRIV 12 7P 9D 1L AZRA 20 6P9D	2 PRIV 2 7P 9D 2L PRIV 8 6P 8D GCW 0 8D>L
3 CAEX 0 15D AZRA 25 10D RAFT 24 8D	4 PRIV 8 8P 8D	5 RAFT 20 6P9D	6 PRIV 8 6P 10D PRIV 15 6P 10D GCW 28 4P5D>L	7 PRIV 14 7P 9D AZRA 25 10D	8 PRIV 1 7P 9D 3L PRIV 11 7P 9D AZRA 20 6P9D	9 AZRA 20 6P9D GCW 20 8D>L
10 PRIV 8 8P 8D 3L PRIV 14 6P 10D 3L RAFT 20 6P9D	11 PRIV 8 7P 8D 3L PRIV 16 7P 9D	12 PRIV 8 6P 8D PRIV 16 6P 10D	13 PRIV 16 7P 9D EXPD 18 7P9D	14 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 6 8P 4D 2L	15 CAEX 21 7P9D	16
17 PRIV 16 6P 11D AZRA 18 15D	18 PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 10 13P 5D 1L	19 PRIV 16 7P 11D	20 PRIV 16 5P 13D 2L AZRA 19 12D	21 PRIV 16 7P 9D PRIV 15 9P 9D CAEX 18 16D GCDY 19 12D GCW 28 8D>L	22 PRIV 13 8P 10D PRIV 16 8P 10D 3L GCEX 20 16D	23 PRIV 16 7P 10D
24 PRIV 12 5P 7D 1L PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L AZRA 18 6P9D GCW 24 14D	25 PRIV 16 8P 10D PRIV 16 6P 11D 1L TOUR 16 18D	26 PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L ARIZ 20 8P10W>D	27 PRIV 16 7P 11D PRIV 16 8P 9D 3L OUTD 18 7P9W>D	28 PRIV 16 6P 12D EXPD 19 16D AZRA 18 7P9D	29 RAFT 18 6P9D	30 PRIV 16 9P 9D 1L PRIV 7 7P 9D

Pearce Ferry Takeouts September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 ARIZ 14 8J>L GCEX 28 8J>L	2 PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L PRIV 12 7P 9D 1L OARS 16 6P7W5L OUTD 0 13L ARIZ 14 8J>L GCEX 28 8J>L GCW 0 8D>L CANY 16 7L
3 COLO 8 4P6L ARIZ 26 7W2J>L HATC 0 7W>L	4 PRIV 2 7P 9D 2L ARIZ 26 7W2J>L GCEX 14 8J>L GCEX 14 8J>L	5 HATC 14 12L WILD 5 3P5W>L	6 OARS 16 6P7W5L CANY 21 6P9L HATC 0 9W>L WEST 27 6W3J>L WEST 16 6W3J>L	7 GCW 28 4P5D>L ARIZ 26 7W2J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L	8 ARIZ 26 7W2J>L GCEX 28 8J>L WILD 26 7W>L ARIZ 28 6W2J>L	9 CANY 13 10L ARIZ 28 6W2J>L GCEX 28 8J>L CANY 20 7L
10 GCW 20 8D>L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L	11 PRIV 1 7P 9D 3L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L ARIZ 24 7W2J>L TOUR 24 6W3J>L	12 OARS 16 5P7W5L ARIZ 24 7W2J>L HATC 27 9W>L CANY 20 7L	13 PRIV 8 8P 8D 3L PRIV 14 6P 10D 3L WEST 26 7W3J>L HATC 0 7W>L	14 PRIV 8 7P 8D 3L COLO 18 11W3J>L WILD 28 10W>L WEST 17 7W3J>L WEST 27 7W3J>L GCEX 28 8J>L	15 OARS 16 16L COLO 18 11W3J>L GCEX 28 8J>L	16 PRIV 6 8P 4D 2L WEST 26 7W3J>L WILD 27 4P5W>L GCEX 28 8J>L CANY 20 7L
17 OARS 16 5P7W5L WILD 24 6P7W>L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L HATC 29 7W>L	18 OUTD 21 7P9L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L HATC 15 7W>L	19 PRIV 10 13P 5D 1L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L TOUR 25 6W3J>L	20 WILD 27 4P5W>L WEST 23 6W3J>L CANY 20 7L	21 WEST 28 7W3J>L HATC 16 7W>L	22 PRIV 16 5P 13D 2L OARS 16 6P11L GCW 28 8D>L WEST 28 7W3J>L GCEX 28 8J>L	23
24 OARS 16 6P10L	25 PRIV 12 5P 7D 1L PRIV 16 8P 10D 3L	26 PRIV 16 6P 11D 1L PRIV 16 7P 11D 2L	27 HATC 23 6P7L	28	29 PRIV 16 7P 11D 3L TOUR 20 15J>L	30 PRIV 16 8P 9D 3L OARS 16 6P11L