

**Smith River Outfitter Calendar**  
**and**  
**Commercial Launch Rules**

**VIII. COMMERCIAL FLOAT TRIPS (from Smith River State Park Biennial Rule 5/20/24)**

- A. No person, group or entity may conduct commercial use within the Smith River State Park without first obtaining a commercial use permit from the Department.
- B. Commercial use shall be administered according to the Department's commercial use rules. This includes the authority to establish terms and conditions for commercial use.
- C. Commercial outfitters authorized to conduct commercial float trips on the Smith River are limited to those outfitters listed in Appendix A. The department may update Appendix A to reflect business transfers or the reallocation of revoked or abandoned commercial launches.
- D. Commercial outfitters and guides conducting angling trips must be licensed in the State of Montana.
- E. Commercial outfitters are limited to a maximum of 73 float trip launches per year.
- F. The department shall establish commercial outfitter float trip launch dates in consultation with the commercial outfitters and in accordance with the following criteria:
  - i. **During the months of April and August 1-15**  
All commercial outfitters must finalize their float trip dates seven days prior to the private permit lottery. Commercial outfitters seeking to reschedule a float trip in April and August 1-15 after the private permit lottery must use the reservation system to request a cancelled float trip. All commercial launches not reserved by an outfitter will be available to the public in the lottery.
  - ii. **During the months of May, June and July**  
All commercial float trips not reserved by an outfitter will be designated "On Hold" and will not be included in the public lottery. After the lottery, commercial outfitters may utilize available "On Hold" float trips 29 or more days in advance of an available date. Commercial outfitters seeking to reschedule a float trip to an available date 28 days or fewer from a desired float trip date must use the reservation system to request an open float trip. All commercial float trips not utilized by an outfitter will be available to the public via the reservation system 28 days prior to the float trip date.
- G. There is a maximum of one (1) commercial float trip allowed on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays and a maximum of two (2) commercial launches allowed on Sundays and Wednesdays. This equates to a maximum of nine (9) commercial float trips per week.
- H. Commercial outfitters must cancel all un-booked float trips a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the float trip date. The park manager may waive disciplinary action for float trips cancelled less than fourteen (14) days prior to the float trip date due to unsafe conditions caused by inclement weather or river flows, insufficient flows for navigability, or other similar exigent circumstances. This does not include float trips cancelled due to undesirable fishing conditions.
- I. Commercial float trip fees must be paid at Camp Baker prior to launching.
- J. The park manager may waive the float trip fee and other related fees for a maximum of two commercial float trips each season on a case-by-case basis when the commercial user donates one or more float trips to a recognized charitable or not-for-profit event and the commercial user is not compensated. No additional commercial float trips may be authorized under this provision. Commercial outfitters requesting a fee waiver must submit a written request to the park manager a minimum of 30 days prior to the anticipated float trip date. Waiver requests shall be considered in the order received.

# May 2026

## OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 12/30/25

2026-27-28

					1 <u>MFFC FROM 5/31</u>	2
3 OPEN OPEN	4	5	6 OPEN OPEN	7 <u>MFFC FROM 7/13</u>	8	9
10 <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/09</u> OPEN	11 <u>BRO FROM 5/12</u>	12 <u>BRO TO 5/11</u> <u>MAFF FROM 7/12</u>	13 <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/12</u> OPEN	14 <u>MFFC FROM 9/16</u>	15 HWL	16 <u>B&amp;C TO 7/01</u>
17 PRO <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/16</u>	18 MAFF	19 BRO	20 <u>OPEN PRO FROM 7/04</u> <u>OPEN MAFF FROM 9/19</u>	21 MFFC	22 HWL	23 MFFC
24 <u>OPEN MAFF FROM 9/20</u> <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/23</u>	25 <u>PRO FROM 7/07</u>	26 <u>GG FROM 7/01</u>	27 <u>OPEN MFFC FROM 7/14</u> <u>OPEN B&amp;C FROM 7/05</u>	28 <u>HWL FROM 9/15</u>	29 <u>MAFF FROM 9/27</u>	30 HWL
31 <u>MFFC TO 5/01</u> MFFC						

# June 2026

## OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 12/30/25

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> B&C	<b>2</b> MAFF	<b>3</b> PRO <b>OPEN HWL FROM 9/24</b>	<b>4</b> PRO	<b>5</b> MAFF	<b>6</b> HWL
<b>7</b> MFFC HWL	<b>8</b> MFFC	<b>9</b> PRO	<b>10</b> MAFF HWL	<b>11</b> PRO	<b>12</b> B&C	<b>13</b> HWL
<b>14</b> MFFC MAFF	<b>15</b> HWL	<b>16</b> HWL	<b>17</b> PRO HWL (Rotating)	<b>18</b> PRO	<b>19</b> B&C	<b>20</b> HWL
<b>21</b> MAFF HWL	<b>22</b> HWL	<b>23</b> MFFC	<b>24</b> HWL MFFC	<b>25</b> PRO	<b>26</b> PRO	<b>27</b> HWL
<b>28</b> MAFF HWL	<b>29</b> MFFC	<b>30</b> MFFC				

# July 2026

## OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 12/30/25

2026-27-28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 PRO (Rotating) GC (Rotating) TO 5/26 B&C FROM 5/16	2 HWL	3 HWL	4 PRO TO 5/20
5 B&C TO 5/27 MFFC FROM 9/08 OPEN HWL FROM 7/10	6 HWL	7 PRO TO 5/25	8 MFFC OPEN	9 HWL TO 5/10	10 HWL TO 7/05	11
12 HWL (Permanent trade w/ MFFC from 7/13) TO 5/13 MAFF (Rotate Out) TO 5/12	13 MFFC (Permanent trade w/ HWL from 7/12) TO 5/07	14 MFFC TO 5/27	15 OPEN OPEN	16 HWL TO 5/17	17	18
19 OPEN OPEN	20	21	22 OPEN OPEN	23 HWL TO 5/24	24	25
26 OPEN OPEN	27	28	29 OPEN OPEN	30	31	

# August 2026

## OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 12/30/25

2026-27-28

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

# September 2026

## OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 12/30/25

2026-27-28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 OPEN OPEN	3	4	5
6 OPEN OPEN	7	8 <u>MFFC TO 7/05</u>	9 OPEN OPEN	10	11	12
13 OPEN OPEN	14	15 <u>HWL TO 5/28</u>	16 <u>MFFC TO 5/14</u> OPEN	17	18	19 <u>MAFF TO 5/20</u>
20 <u>MAFF TO 5/24</u> OPEN	21	22	23 OPEN OPEN	24 <u>HWL TO 6/03</u>	25	26
27 <u>MAFF TO 5/29</u> OPEN	28	29	30 OPEN OPEN			

# May 2027

## OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 12/30/25

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>6</b> <u>MFFC FROM 7/12</u>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> BRO	<b>12</b> <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/08</u> OPEN	<b>13</b> <u>MFFC FROM 9/15</u>	<b>14</b> HWL	<b>15</b> <u>B&amp;C TO 5/24</u> <u>MAFF FROM 9/18</u>
<b>16</b> PRO <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/15</u>	<b>17</b> MAFF	<b>18</b> BRO	<b>19</b> <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/22</u> OPEN	<b>20</b> MFFC	<b>21</b> HWL	<b>22</b> MFFC
<b>23</b> <u>OPEN HWL FROM 9/14</u> <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/11</u>	<b>24</b> <u>B&amp;C FROM 5/15</u>	<b>25</b> <u>PRO FROM 7/06</u>	<b>26</b> <u>OPEN HWL FROM 9/23</u> <u>OPEN MAFF FROM 9/19</u>	<b>27</b> <u>MFFC FROM 9/07</u>	<b>28</b> <u>MAFF FROM 9/26</u>	<b>29</b> HWL
<b>30</b> MFFC MFFC	<b>31</b> B&C					

# June 2027

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> MAFF	<b>2</b> PRO <u>OPEN GG FROM 7/11</u>	<b>3</b> PRO	<b>4</b> MAFF	<b>5</b> HWL
<b>6</b> MFFC HWL	<b>7</b> MFFC	<b>8</b> PRO	<b>9</b> MAFF HWL	<b>10</b> PRO	<b>11</b> <u>B&amp;C TO 6/27</u> <u>HWL FROM 6/27</u>	<b>12</b> HWL
<b>13</b> MFFC MAFF	<b>14</b> HWL	<b>15</b> HWL	<b>16</b> PRO MAFF (Rotating)	<b>17</b> PRO	<b>18</b> B&C	<b>19</b> HWL
<b>20</b> MAFF HWL	<b>21</b> HWL	<b>22</b> MFFC	<b>23</b> HWL MFFC	<b>24</b> PRO	<b>25</b> PRO	<b>26</b> HWL
<b>27</b> MAFF <u>HWL TO 6/11</u> <u>B&amp;C FROM 6/11</u>	<b>28</b> MFFC	<b>29</b> MFFC	<b>30</b> HWL (Rotating) PRO (Rotating)			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 HWL	2 HWL	3 PRO
4 B&C <u>OPEN HWL FROM 7/09</u>	5 HWL	6 <u>PRO TO 5/25</u> <u>MFFC FROM 7/13</u>	7 MFFC OPEN	8 <u>HWL TO 5/12</u>	9 <u>HWL TO 7/04</u>	10
11 <u>HWL TO 5/23</u> (Permanent trade w/ MFFC from 7/12) <u>GG TO 6/02 (Rotate Out)</u>	12 <u>MFFC TO 5/06</u> (Permanent trade w/ HWL from 7/11)	13 <u>MFFC TO 7/06</u>	14 OPEN OPEN	15 <u>HWL TO 5/16</u>	16	17
18 OPEN OPEN	19	20	21 OPEN OPEN	22 <u>HWL TO 5/19</u>	23	24
25 OPEN OPEN	26	27	28 OPEN OPEN	29	30	31

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

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 OPEN OPEN	2	3	4
5 OPEN OPEN	6	7 <u>MFFC TO 5/27</u>	8 OPEN OPEN	9	10	11
12 OPEN OPEN	13	14 <u>HWL TO 5/23</u>	15 <u>MFFC TO 5/13</u> OPEN	16	17	18 <u>MAFF TO 5/15</u>
19 <u>MAFF TO 5/26</u> OPEN	20	21	22 OPEN OPEN	23 <u>HWL TO 5/26</u>	24	25
26 <u>MAFF TO 5/28</u> OPEN	27	28	29 OPEN OPEN	30		

# May 2028

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> BRO	<b>10</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> HWL	<b>13</b> B&C
<b>14</b> PRO OPEN	<b>15</b> MAFF	<b>16</b> BRO	<b>17</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>18</b> MFFC	<b>19</b> HWL	<b>20</b> MFFC
<b>21</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> HWL
<b>28</b> MFFC MFFC	<b>29</b> B&C	<b>30</b> MAFF	<b>31</b> PRO OPEN			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> PRO	<b>2</b> MAFF	<b>3</b> HWL
<b>4</b> MFFC HWL	<b>5</b> MFFC	<b>6</b> PRO	<b>7</b> MAFF HWL	<b>8</b> PRO	<b>9</b> B&C	<b>10</b> HWL
<b>11</b> MFFC MAFF	<b>12</b> HWL	<b>13</b> HWL	<b>14</b> PRO GG (Rotating)	<b>15</b> PRO	<b>16</b> B&C	<b>17</b> HWL
<b>18</b> MAFF HWL	<b>19</b> HWL	<b>20</b> MFFC	<b>21</b> HWL MFFC	<b>22</b> PRO	<b>23</b> PRO	<b>24</b> HWL
<b>25</b> MAFF HWL	<b>26</b> MFFC	<b>27</b> MFFC	<b>28</b> MAFF (Rotating) HWL (Rotating)	<b>29</b> HWL	<b>30</b> HWL	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> PRO
<b>2</b> B&C OPEN	<b>3</b> HWL	<b>4</b> PRO	<b>5</b> MFFC OPEN	<b>6</b> HWL	<b>7</b> HWL	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> HWL (Permanent trade w/ MFFC from 7/10) PRO <b>(Rotate Out)</b>	<b>10</b> MFFC (Permanent trade w/ HWL from 7/09)	<b>11</b> MFFC	<b>12</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>13</b> HWL	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>20</b> HWL	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> OPEN OPEN	<b>31</b>					

# August 2028

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	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		

# September 2028

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Updated: 12/30/25

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