

Smith River Outfitter Calendar and Commercial Launch Rules

VIII. COMMERCIAL FLOAT TRIPS (from Smith River State Park Biennial Rule 3/13/22)

- A. No person, group or entity may conduct commercial use within the Smith River State Park without first obtaining a restricted 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.
- 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, August and September:**
All commercial outfitters must finalize their float trip launch dates seven (7) days prior to the private permit lottery. Commercial outfitters seeking to reschedule a launch in April, August or September after the private permit lottery must use the reservation system to request a cancelled launch. 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 trip launches [see Section VIII (H)] 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" launches 29 or more days in advance of an available date. Commercial outfitters seeking to reschedule a launch to an available date 28 days or fewer from a desired launch date must use the reservation system to request an open launch. All commercial launches not utilized by an outfitter will be available to the public via the reservation system 28 days prior to the launch date.
- G. There is a maximum of one (1) commercial float trip launch 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 launches per week.
- H. Commercial outfitters must cancel all un-booked float trip launches a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the launch date. The park manager may waive disciplinary action for trips cancelled less than fourteen (14) days prior to the launch 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 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 (2) commercial float trips each season on a case-by-case basis when the commercial user donates one or more launches 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 launch date. Waiver requests shall be considered in the order received.

May 2024

OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 2/21/24

2024-25-26

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 OPEN <u>MFFC FROM 5/26</u> OPEN	2	3	4
5 OPEN OPEN	6	7 BRO	8 OPEN <u>MAFF FROM 9/21</u> OPEN	9 <u>MFFC FROM 9/10</u>	10 L&C	11 <u>B&C TO 7/07</u>
12 <u>PRO TO 7/06</u> OPEN	13 MAFF	14 <u>BRO TO 5/15</u> <u>MAFF FROM 9/29</u>	15 OPEN <u>BRO FROM 5/14</u> OPEN	16 MFFC	17 L&C	18 MFFC
19 OPEN OPEN	20 <u>MAFF FROM 9/22</u>	21	22 OPEN <u>L&C FROM 7/07</u> OPEN	23 <u>MFFC FROM 9/18</u>	24	25 L&C
26 <u>MFFC TO 5/01</u> <u>L&C FROM 7/11</u> MFFC	27 B&C	28 MAFF	29 PRO OPEN <u>L&C FROM 9/26</u>	30 PRO	31 MAFF	

June 2024

OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 2/21/24

2024-25-26

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

July 2024

OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 2/21/24

2024-25-26

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

August 2024

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2024-25-26

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

September 2024

OUTFITTERS MASTER CALENDAR

Updated: 2/21/24

2024-25-26

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 OPEN OPEN	2	3	4 OPEN OPEN	5	6	7
8 OPEN OPEN	9	10 <u>MAFF TO 5/09</u>	11 OPEN OPEN	12	13	14
15 OPEN OPEN	16	17 <u>L&G TO 7/03</u>	18 <u>MAFF TO 5/23</u> OPEN	19	20	21 <u>MAFF TO 5/08</u>
22 <u>MAFF TO 5/20</u> OPEN	23	24	25 OPEN OPEN	26 <u>L&G TO 5/29</u>	27	28
29 <u>MAFF TO 5/14</u> OPEN	30					

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

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1 MFFC MFFC	2 B&C	3 MAFF	4 PRO	5 PRO	6 MAFF	7 L&C
8 MFFC L&C	9 MFFC	10 PRO	11 MAFF L&C	12 PRO	13 B&C	14 L&C
15 MFFC MAFF	16 L&C	17 L&C	18 PRO PRO (Rotating)	19 PRO	20 B&C	21 L&C
22 MAFF L&C	23 L&C	24 MFFC	25 L&C MFFC	26 PRO	27 PRO	28 L&C
29 MAFF L&C	30 MFFC					

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

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

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

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3 OPEN OPEN	4	5	6 OPEN OPEN	7	8	9
10 OPEN OPEN	11	12 BRO	13 OPEN OPEN	14	15 L&C	16 B&C
17 PRO OPEN	18 MAFF	19 BRO	20 OPEN OPEN	21 MFFC	22 L&C	23 MFFC
24 OPEN OPEN	25	26	27 OPEN OPEN	28	29	30 L&C
31 MFFC MFFC						

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7 MFFC L&C	8 MFFC	9 PRO	10 MAFF L&C	11 PRO	12 B&C	13 L&C
14 MFFC MAFF	15 L&C	16 L&C	17 PRO L&C (Rotating)	18 PRO	19 B&C	20 L&C
21 MAFF L&C	22 L&C	23 MFFC	24 L&C MFFC	25 PRO	26 PRO	27 L&C
28 MAFF L&C	29 MFFC	30 MFFC				

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5 B&C OPEN	6 L&C	7 PRO	8 MFFC OPEN	9 L&C	10 L&C	11
12 L&C (Permanent trade w/ MFFC from 7/13) MAFF (Rotate Out)	13 MFFC (Permanent trade w/ L&C from 7/12)	14 MFFC	15 OPEN OPEN	16 L&C	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 L&C	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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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					

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		1	2 OPEN OPEN	3	4	5
6 OPEN OPEN	7	8 MFFC	9 OPEN OPEN	10	11	12
13 OPEN OPEN	14	15 L&C	16 MFFC OPEN	17	18	19 MAFF
20 MAFF OPEN	21	22	23 OPEN OPEN	24 L&C	25	26
27 MAFF OPEN	28	29	30 OPEN OPEN			