

Main Salmon Planning 06172016

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The logistics for our trip are firming up. Please let me know if you have more information or your plans change. Thirteen people are planning on going.

The following people are on our permit:

Byron Robertson

Rick Raymond

Tom Strauch

Tim Strauch

Berta Thomas

Terry Gillentine

Holly Strauch

Bill Kinner

Janet Tubito

Bruce Nicoll

Eileen Nicoll

Jim Moore

Evie Moore

Itinerary

June 21 – Jim, Gayle and Evie leave New Mexico for Corn Creek Campground (Gayle is not rafting)

June 21 – Tom leaves Salem, OR after work and drives to Pasco (ETA 10:00 pm)

June 21 – Holly leaves Bellingham and drives to Pasco (ETA before 4:00 pm)

June 21 evening in Tri-Cities –

3:30 pm – Bill meets Tim & Janet (or Holly) at KOA Storage C46 (8801 St. Thomas Drive, Pasco) –
Load frame and raft

4:00 pm – Bruce, Eileen, Berta, Bill, Janet, Holly meet at Terry's (8508 Picadilly Dr, Pasco)
Pack and seal 70 quart cooler, pack Terry's car

5:30 pm – Tim and Holly go to Byron's with 70 quart cooler, paddle raft and other items that will be loaded in Byron's truck (5002 Swallow Ct West Richland). Help load truck and trailer.

June 22 – Byron and Rick drive in Byron's truck pulling Rick's Trailer to Corn Creek

June 22 6:45 am PDT In Bill's car, Bruce and Eileen; In Tom's car Tim, Janet and Holly In Terry's car Berta Drive to Riggins.

12:45 pm MDT arrive in Riggins for lunch at Back Eddie (533 N Main St Riggins, ID 83549)

1:45 pm MDT leave Riggins

3:00 pm MDT arrive at Vinegar Creek boat ramp (two miles upriver from the take out at Carey Creek) for Jet Up to Corn Creek

6:30 pm MDT arrive at Corn Creek (no restaurants or stores at Corn Creek)

June 22 – At Corn Creek Campground, rig the boats and camp

June 23 – morning – meeting with Ranger – negotiate campsites for trip – launch

June 29 – Byron's car is shuttled to Carey Creek; Gayle drives her car to Carey Creek

June 29 – Take out – de-rig boats, load on trailer and other vehicles (Drivers shuttle the two miles back to Vinegar Creek for the cars)

June 29 – Eat at Back Eddy

June 29 – Jim, Gayle and Evie drive to New Mexico

June 29 – Everyone else drives to the Tri-Cities

Shuttle:

Only Byron's truck and Rick's trailer is being shuttled

Food groups:

We will have three food groups of four or five people each. Each food group will be responsible for purchasing and preparing two dinners. Dutch ovens will be available. Everyone will be responsible for their own lunch and breakfast. A stove and hot water will be available for breakfast. The food groups are:

Food Group 1: Byron, Rick (Dinner 6), Bruce and Eileen (Dinner 5)

Food Group 2: Tim, Janet, Holly (Dinner 3), Tom and Bill (Dinner 4)

Food Group 3: Jim, Evie, (Dinner 1) Terry and Berta (Dinner 2)

The food that one purchases for dinner is considered a group expenses. Keep track of these expenses and report them to Byron, our trip treasurer.

Dinners:

Day 1 Jim & Evie – Steaks and Salmon, roasted vegetables, angel hair pasta

Day 2 Terry & Berta – 3 bean chili, spinach salad and no bake cherry cheesecake

Day 3 Janet, Holly & Tim – Chicken Curry with rice, salad, dessert (need one Dutch oven)

Day 4 Tom & Bill – Hamburgers and hotdogs, salad, dessert

Day 5 Bruce & Eileen – Turkey chili

Day 6 Byron & Rick – red beans and rice, cobbler and maybe a salad

Dry Bags:

Everyone should be able to put all their gear in one large dry bag (an NRS Bill's bag - 3.8 cubic feet 107 liters). An additional small day bag is acceptable for day hikes. Here is a link to the NRS dry bag: <http://www.nrs.com/product/2900/nrs-38-bills-bag-dry-bag> .

Lifejackets:

Everyone is responsible for bringing their own pfd.

Camp Chairs:

It is very important that everyone brings their own camp chair. They do not need to go inside your dry bags.

Community Gear

Byron and Rick will be supplying most of the required community gear (Dutch Ovens, Kitchen tables, 3 buckets for washing dishes, toilet system, fire pan etc.). Jim will be bringing a kitchen.

Boats:

Each raft with a frame will take a cooler and 6 gallon water containers.

Byron's 18' catarraft: Will carry Byron and Eileen. Will split the community gear with Rick's catarraft. Will take dry bags for Byron, Eileen and Bruce.

Rick's 16' catarraft: Will carry Rick and can take one passenger if needed (perhaps a kayaker when they are not kayaking). Will take community gear and dry bags for Rick and Bill.

Tim's 14' Achilles – bucket boat with frame – Will carry dry bags for Jim, Evie, Terry and Berta.

Tim's 13' Sea Rider – bucket boat with frame – Will carry dry bags for Tim, Janet, Holly and Tom.

Holly's 13' self bailer – play paddle boat – no gear.

Terry & Berta' two rented inflatable kayaks (IKs) – no gear.

Jim's – tandem IK – no gear – play boat.

The IKs can be rolled and carried on the rafts when not in use. The current plan is that Holly, Tom, Jim and Tim will alternate captaining the Achilles, Sea Rider and self-bailer.

Suggested starting configuration:

18' catarraft – Byron & Eileen

16' catarraft – Rick (can take one passenger as needed)

14' Achilles – Tom (can take 2-3 passengers as needed)

13' Sea Rider – Tim (can take 2-3 passengers as needed)

13' self bailer paddle raft - Holly, Bruce, Bill, Janet (up to seven paddlers)

Tandem IK – Jim and Evie

IK – Berta

IK - Terry

(Except for Byron and Rick, I expect everyone will be moving around between boats – everyone that wants to be in an IK will have an opportunity.)

Expenses

So far the only group expenses that I know of are permit cost and the cost of food for the six dinners. All other expenses are each individual's responsibility. At the end of the trip report all group expenses to Byron. He will then let us know who needs to pay what to whom. Let me know if you are aware of any other group expenses. The cost of the shuttle or jet up will be paid by the people in each vehicle and the expense divided among the people arriving at Corn Creek or Vinegar Creek in that vehicle.

Proposed Campsites:

Byron's					
Name	Mile	Comment	Size Low/High	Comment	Reservable
Day 1 Lower Devil's Teeth	13.0	Good	30/30	Y	No hiking

Alternatives:

Blackadar Hole	17.0	Good	30/30	Y
Upper Devil's Teeth	12.9	Good	20/0	Y

Day 2 Magpie Creek 29.5 Very Good 30/30 Y Good hiking, plan hiking for most the next day

Alternatives:

Black Canyon Beach	21.4	Good	15/0
Bruin	24.8	OK	30/0

Day 3 Lower Yellow Pine 36.8 Good Camp 30/30 Y

Alternatives:

	Upper Yellow Pine	36.7	Very Good	30/30	
Day 4	Rhett Creek	46.6	Very Good	30/30	Hiking
Day 5	Swimming Hole	61.6	Good-Very Good	30/30	
Day 6	Middle Sheep Creek	74.0	Nice Camp Afternoon Shade	20/0	Hiking

Priorities:

Magpie Creek (Day 2)

Lower Yellow Pine (Day 3)

Lower Devil's Teeth (Day 1) – Blackadar Hole is just as good.

Let me know if you have any ideas or questions.

Tim