

# 2012 Desolation and Gray Canyons of the Green River Private Permit Calendar

## (435) 636-0975

The Desolation River Office opens at 8 am.

Updated Friday, February 10, 2012

When the date square is blue = Date is reserved    Light purple = all launches paid for.    White = launch available    pink = informational.

Desolation Canyon river permits are booked using a five month call in system. You will want to call 435-636-0975 up to five months ahead of the date you would like to reserve for launching on the Desolation and Gray section of the Green River. For example: if you want to launch on July 1 you will want to call the river office on February 1. Calls are taken starting at 8 am each day.

There are three launches a day available during the high use months of May 15 to August 15. Most available launches will book at 8 am when the office opens. Before May 15 and after August 15 river launches are held to two launches per day. These launches can be commercial or private or a mix of both. The majority of them are private.

The following calendar will show the call in date for each day. On occasion weather or illness may cause the river phone to go unanswered. Our apologies when this happens. The date not booked will book the next morning. Thank you.

The Desolation and Gray Canyons river permitting will be moving to [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) in 2013. Updates on the move to [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) will be provided as they come up. We would like to encourage you to visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) to become familiar with the site and how the permits will work. We will be using a system very similar to the Main Fork of the Salmon in Idaho.

The Bureau of Land Management Price Field Office has decided to end its policy of allowing river runners to bring dogs on Desolation Canyon river trips. The decision will be effective for the 2012 river season.

This decision was not arrived at lightly. Desolation Canyon has been one of the few extended river trips where dog owners have had an opportunity to bring their pets with them during the low-use season, which extends from August 16 to November 15. For the most part the dogs have been well-behaved and the owners have been respectful of the canyon, its wildlife and other boaters.

In the last few years, however, there have been a number of incidents involving dogs, including an incident this summer where a dog bit a person at the Sand Wash boat ramp. Dogs have also been observed by boaters and river rangers chasing bighorn sheep and other wildlife. Rangers and other boaters have reported numerous occasions where dog droppings were found in camps and on trails. The BLM Price Field Office has also received numerous complaints from boaters regarding unleashed dogs, barking in camps and other incidents.

Desolation Canyon is one of the most spectacular and wild places in the West. The BLM is responsible for managing it to preserve its wilderness character, including its natural resources and the visitor's opportunity to find solitude in this wild setting. This policy change reflects the BLM's continuing effort to maintain the character and primitive nature of the river corridor while allowing visitors to more fully enjoy their river experience.

The only exception will be service dogs. Service dogs will be allowed year round on the Desolation and Gray Canyons section of the Green River. Proof of service will be required at the put-in.

<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ut/nwis/current/?type=flow> **River flows**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar MARCH 2012</b>						
<p>March launches can be reserved any time after October 1, 2011. Ice usually breaks up on the river around March 15. Number to call is 435-636-0975. It is recommended that you wait as long as possible to book launches in March due to weather related conditions.</p>				1 LOW USE	2 LOW USE	3 LOW USE
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<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar APRIL 2012</b>						
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29 LOW USE	30 LOW USE					

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar MAY 2012</b>						
Low Use can be; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• two private launches,</li> <li>• two commercial launches</li> </ul> OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• one of each.</li> </ul>		1 LOW USE	2 LOW USE	3 LOW USE	4 LOW USE	5 LOW USE
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## Desolation-Gray Private Calendar **JUNE 2012**

The changeover to Recreation.gov is taking the river office staff away from the phone at times, please be patient. The phone-in reservations are still happening every morning but general question calls may not always get answered. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar JULY 2012</b>						
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15 Call February 15 Limited phone coverage on February 15.	16 Call February 16	17 Call February 17	18 Call February 21 due to holiday	19 Call February 21 due to holiday	20 Call February 21 due to holiday	21 Call February 21 due to holiday
22 Call February 22	23 Call February 23	24 Call February 24	25 Call February 27	26 Call February 27	27 Call February 27	28 Call February 28
29 Call February 29	30 Call February 29	31 Call February 29				

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<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar AUGUST 2012</b>						
<p>Low Use can be;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• two private launches,</li> <li>• two commercial launches</li> </ul> <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• one of each.</li> </ul>			1 Call March 1	2 Call March 2	3 Call March 5	4 Call March 5
5 Call March 5	6 Call March 6	7 Call March 7	8 Call March 8	9 Call March 12 Office will be closed March 9	10 Call March 12	11 Call March 12
12 Call March 12	13 Call March 13	14 Call March 14	15 LOW USE Call March 15	16 LOW USE Call March 15	17 LOW USE Call March 19	18 LOW USE Call March 19
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<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar SEPTEMBER 2012</b>						
						1 LOW USE Call April 2
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9 LOW USE Call April 9	10 LOW USE Call April 10	11 LOW USE Call April 11	12 LOW USE Call April 12	13 LOW USE Call April 16 Office will be closed	14 LOW USE Call April 16	15 LOW USE Call April 16
16 LOW USE Call April 16	17 LOW USE Call April 17	18 LOW USE Call April 18	19 LOW USE Call April 19	20 LOW USE Call April 23 Office will be closed	21 LOW USE Call April 23	22 LOW USE Call April 23
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<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar OCTOBER 2012</b>						
October launches can be booked by calling any time after May 1.	1 LOW USE	2 LOW USE	3 LOW USE	4 LOW USE	5 LOW USE	6 LOW USE
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<b>Desolation-Gray Private Calendar NOVEMBER 2012</b>						
November launches can be booked any time after June 1 Recommended is that you wait as long as possible so you have an idea of what the weather may be.				1 LOW USE	2 LOW USE	3 LOW USE
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