

FAQ'S

Can I fish while on the Wild and Scenic Main Salmon River? Yes, but please refer to the Idaho Fish and Game regulations for specifics. A valid Idaho fishing license is required, and is available at most sporting goods and some convenience stores statewide; they are not available at the launch site. For more hunting and fishing information, contact the Idaho Department of Fish & Game, (800) 635-7820; <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.

Can I bring my dog? [Dogs](#) are allowed on the Wild Section of the Main Salmon, but need to be leashed at the guard stations, and the launch and take-out sites. You will also need to clean up any deposits your animal(s) make and keep them under control when coming into contact with others. Do not allow them to chase wildlife, including squirrels and chipmunks, or to dig holes. Also keep them out of the poison ivy so they don't collect the oils on their coats then transfer onto you. Please respect private properties and do not allow dogs to run loose, ask first before you go onto private residence.

What are the recreation fees used for? The Wild and Scenic Main Salmon River charges a \$4 per person, per day (full or partial) recreation fee. These fees cover the maintenance and repair of the SCAT machines, garbage collection, road maintenance, launch site personnel, river patrols, weed surveys, monitoring and treatment, heritage site monitoring, ramp maintenance and upgrade such as the Carey Ck boatramp.

How can I find businesses that provide shuttle services and equipment rentals? The North Fork Ranger District does not maintain lists of businesses providing services or equipment. To obtain names, addresses and phone numbers for shuttle or flight services and/or equipment rental or suppliers, contact Idaho Outfitters & Guide Association (208) 342-1438, ioga.org, or the Chamber of Commerce of the neighboring communities. The names and numbers of the local Chambers are: [Challis](#) (208) 879-2771, Stanley (800) 878-7950 and [Salmon](#) (208) 756-2100. For more information about visiting Idaho, including a free state map, call (800) 847-4843 or visit their website, www.visitid.org.

Are there places along the river corridor that I can restock or purchase water and ice? Fivemile Bar at mile 52.8 maintains a small shop with various sundries such as suntan lotion, candy bars, ice cream, pop, beer, hats, t-shirts, books water and ice. Stock is limited so be prepared.

Can I reserve campsites prior to our arrival to the launch site? There are several campsites along the Wild and Scenic Main Salmon River; both reservable and non-reservable. Beginning the 15th of June until the end of the control season (September 7th), campsite requests can be made after 5p.m. the night before your launch to 9a.m. the morning of your launch. There are no advance reservations. On the morning of your scheduled launch, campsites will be assigned and posted. During the control season, you may not stay at a campsite for more than one night, and you must stay at your assigned sites. Pre-and Post Season camping is done on a first-come, first-serve basis. Should more than one party request the same site for the same night, a coin toss will occur with our river personnel.

Can I bring a chainsaw into the wilderness? According to the Frank Church Wilderness – River of No Return Management Plan, there are no chainsaws allowed into the wilderness area. For more information on the management plan, go to the Salmon Challis National Forest website – chapter 2 covers recreation on the Salmon River.

Can I just show up to float the Wild and Scenic Section of the Main Salmon River without a reservation? All interested float parties should go to www.recreation.gov to make reservations. During the control season (June 20th – September 7th), launches are limited to 8 parties per day; there are no limits to launches occurring during pre- and post- season (September 8th – June 19th). Reservations for the control season is completed first through a lottery draw that occurs in the beginning of February, and then through parties picking up cancellations. Go to www.recreation.gov for submission of a lottery application (December 1st – January 31st), and all other

reservations. Deposits, final payments, and cancellations are also made through www.recreation.gov. For further assistance with making reservation you may contact ReserveAmerica (877)550-6777 or call the North Fork Ranger District (208)865-2700.