

Outfitter and Guide Operating Plan Tahoe National Forest

Name: _____ Business Name (DBA): _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Type of business (Individual, Partnership, Corporation): _____

I. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION

A. Experience and Qualifications

List other locations in which you regularly use your equipment (boat, waders, etc.):

If you have permission to operate on private land, state, or county land within the boundary of the Tahoe National Forest, please list names of land owners/managers:

Percent time on the above private/non-USFS land : _____ USFS land _____

Guide Names, Certifications & Qualifications : (May include as an attachment if preferred)

Name	First Aid	CPR	Guide certification	Years of Experience	Current State Guide License

Vehicles and Trailers:

Year	Vehicle/Trailer Description	Color	License Number

List numbers and type of stock (if applicable) : _____

Do you provide meals, transportation, etc? Please describe: _____

What equipment do you provide to clients?: _____

List any facilities that would be installed on National Forest land: _____

B. Services Proposed

Proposed trips on the Tahoe National Forest - Specifically what lands would be used for what activities. Attach additional pages if needed. If you provided this information in your application form instead, please note that below.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Starting Location</u>	<u>Campsite Location</u>	<u>Ending Location</u>
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Group Size: Average: _____ Maximum: _____

II. FEES

*Enclose a brochure or rate schedule for trip cost, or list it on your application

Do you offer any discounts? (i.e. group rate, returning customers) :

Do you give out free trip (donated) or do any trading of services? : _____

Do you rent equipment? (Include rental schedule) : _____

III. HEALTH, SANITATION AND SAFETY PLAN

List all emergency equipment, including first aid supplies that would be carried on the trip and a means of communication in case of emergency :

****NOTE: ANY ACCIDENT THAT DOES OR COULD RESULT IN A DAMAGE CLAIM MUST BE REPORTED TO THE FOREST SERVICE WITHIN 24 HOURS.**

What safety equipment do you provide?

What are clients required to wear?

What procedures are followed for disposal of human waste and refuse generated during the trip?

What special precautions will be taken when coming in contact with other activities i.e. snowmobiles, speed boats, campers/hikers:

Federal regulation require that each commercial enterprise conducting business on National Forest land have provisions for services for persons with disabilities. Statements such as "**we operate on a non-discriminatory basis**" or "**because of the physical and mental demands placed on customers we cannot provide services to those with the following disabilities**" will satisfy this requirement. These provisions should also be included in your yearly advertising brochure or on your website.

ATTACH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO THIS OPERATING PLAN :

Map of the area(s) proposed for operation.
Example of your Acknowledgment of Risk form.
Copy of your current or proposed brochure or website information.

IV. PERMIT ADMINISTRATION AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

PERMIT ADMINISTRATOR:

Outfitting and guiding activities will be administered on the ground by Forest Service personnel from the Ranger District (s) on which the activity occurs. This operations plan and any resulting permit is an authorization for ONLY those locations listed on the face of the permit.

The performance of the outfitter/guide will be evaluated on an annual basis. Levels of satisfactory, probationary or unacceptable will be determined based on: the degree of compliance with conditions of the permit and

operations plan; customer satisfaction; and care and protection of the resource. A performance level of probationary means that you are put on notice that an element(s) within the performance evaluation was in noncompliance with the terms and conditions of the special use permit and/or operating plan and may result in future permit restrictions. A performance level of unacceptable means that an element within the previous performance evaluation was not corrected or improved by the next evaluation period and shall result in immediate permit suspension or revocation as appropriate to the circumstances.

IN ADDITION TO THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT, the Permit Holder and their guides shall abide by the following rules and regulations. A copy of this Operating Plan, including these rules and regulations will be in their possession and they will advise their clients of them.

Rules and regulations which apply to all National Forests Lands:

1. Respect the solitude and privacy of others. It is prohibited to cause public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm by making unreasonably loud noise. 36 CFR 261.4(c) and 261.10(i)
2. Dispose of human waste at least 200 feet from any lake, stream, spring, campsite or trail. CFR 261.11(b) and (c). Dig a shallow hole, 6 to 8 inches, and cover waste with soil and replace sod.
3. No developed site can be used by the permit holder without prior approval of the authorized Forest Officer. This includes developed campgrounds, improved trail heads and public corrals.
4. Camps established, either in or out of a Wilderness Area, may be established by the permit holder for no longer than the established limit for the area used, without prior approval from the authorized Forest Officer.
5. Do not discharge any firearm or weapon within 150 yards of a campsite or developed recreation site if there is the slightest chance of endangering human life, property or livestock. 36 CFR 261.10(d)
6. Do not smoke while traveling. Stop and smoke in a safe area. Make sure the match and ashes are cold before moving on. 36 CFR 261.52(d)
7. Build campfires in safe locations where all burnable material has been cleared and they will not spread. 36 CFR 261.5(f)
8. Do not short-cut sections of trail.
9. Loose herding is not permitted except on hazardous sections of trail.
10. Hold pack and saddle stock no closer than 200 feet of any lake, stream, spring, campsite, or trail where the terrain permits, except for loading or unloading.

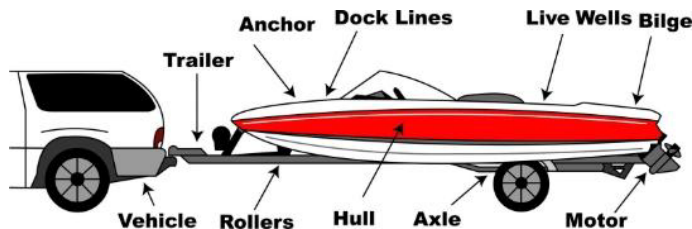
11. Aquatic Invasive Species – For all water based Outfitting and Guiding permits:

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) are organisms that are unintentionally brought into California's rivers and lakes from other places. These include clams, fish, mussels, plants, weeds, and disease-causing pathogens. AIS will overwhelm lakes and rivers, kill fish and plants, and damage the delicate ecosystem, that keeps our waters clean and abundant. AIS harms our recreational and agricultural resources by damaging boats and gear, clogging water pipes and hydropower facilities, jamming community water sources and choking off irrigation systems.

As a Tahoe National Forest authorized outfitter and guide, you need to be aware that aquatic diseases and invasive species can easily spread from one water body to the other. Anglers, boaters and their equipment can transport these pests. It takes only one mistake to infest a new area. To protect California's waters and native aquatic species, you are required to follow these guidelines:

1. Before entering the National Forest and upon leaving the National Forest, Inspect, Clean and Dry.

- **INSPECT** - After leaving a lake or stream, inspect your boat, engine, trailer, anchor, waders, and other fishing and boating gear for mud, water, and vegetation that could carry aquatic invasive species.
- **CLEAN** - Completely remove all mud, water, and vegetation you find. Boaters should use a pressurized power sprayer, found at most do-it-yourself car washes. The hot water helps kill organisms and the pressure removes mud and vegetation. No need to use soap or chemicals.
- **DRY** - Aquatic invaders can survive only in water and wet areas. By drying your boating and fishing equipment thoroughly, you will kill most invasive species. The longer you can keep your boat, trailer, waders, wading boots, and other equipment outside in the hot sun between fishing trips, the better.



This illustration shows the key areas to Inspect, Clean and Dry on any watercraft.

Please Note: If you have traveled to a known infested area, ensure your watercraft and equipment is completely drained and dried.

2. It is recommended that you provide your clients with waders and boots rather than allowing them to bring their own gear. If a client does use their own gear then you need to clean the client's wading gear before heading out to fish California's waters.

Signature Date: _____

Business Name:

Date: _____

District Ranger, Tahoe National Forest