## 2024 RMS NW Chapter Dearborn River Day Float Trip Information





Dates of Trip: May 19th, 2024

## **Dearborn River**

Trip Leader: Cannon Colegrove – <u>cannon.colegrove@mt.gov</u> or 406-461-8590

RSVP Required by texting or emailing the contact info above if you'd like to join on this float.

## **Day Trip Logistics:**

LAUNCH LOCATION: _ <b>HWY 287 Bridge (47.1992,-112.09597)</b> TIME: <b>9:30am</b>
TAKE-OUT LOCATION: _Mid-Canon Fishing Access Site (Missouri River) Approximate TIME:5:00pm
Is there a cost associated with this trip? Yes_X No_X If so, how much and what will costs cover: Free for RMS members, \$20 for non-members to cover chapter expenses.
Do I need to arrange my own shuttle? Yes_X No  If so, these are the available companies who operate shuttle services: Contact Cannon and we can likely arrange a sel

shuttle amongst the group and carpool from the takeout back up to the launch. This will be cheaper than a shuttle. If you'd prefer to pay for a shuttle any of the fly shops in Craig Montana will shuttle for around \$100 (Crosscurrents, Headhunters, The Fly Shop).

Notes about the river (rapids, difficulty, how many float miles, etc.): This float is relatively easy. There are a few smaller (Class II) rapids that are easy to navigate. This section of river is about 19 miles and will be a full day float. Rafts, IK's, packrafts, and kayaks are the preferred watercraft for this float. This float offers incredible scenery in steep canyons, good fishing, and a fun float. The Dearborn River flows into the Missouri River, and the last mile of the float will be on the Missouri River before the takeout.

Participants should bring their own lunch, beverages and equipment needed for a day on the river. Contact the trip leader to RSVP or if you have any questions.

Cannon, the trip leader, will meet at Mid-Canon Fishing Access site at 8:30am on the morning of May 19<sup>th</sup>. If anyone wants to figure out a shuttle situation, we can carpool to the launch site from there. Camping is available at Mid-Canon FAS and there are also other camping options up and down the Missouri River Corridor.

The launch location is likely to be crowded and congested. Please have your gear as ready as possible for a quick launch. The launch is undeveloped pull-off along the highway bridge and is often muddy. If pulling a raft trailer, it is recommended to have a high clearance truck as there are large potholes as you approach the launch site.