

Snake River (Hells Canyon), OR, ID, WA

Application Process: Lottery applications are accepted December 1 through January 31 annually. Launch reservations for the Friday before Memorial Day - September 10 (lottery control season), are assigned by the Four River Lottery System at <https://www.recreation.gov/permits/234625> . Successful applicants must confirm their reservation online at by March 15. After the lottery, cancelled Lottery Control Season launch dates are released from 11:00am ET to 12:00pm. ET daily.

Self issue permits are required outside of the control period for private non-commercial floaters. These launch permits must be picked up at the launch site.

Private powerboat reservations are also reserved online through Recreation.gov or by calling (877) 444-6777. For more information: [Private Powerboat Reservations](#)

Fees: \$6.00 non-refundable application fee. There are no recreation fees for a Snake River permit.

Cancellation Policy: If a wild section of the Snake reservation is cancelled outside the 15-day window prior to your entry date, the permit holder will not be penalized. If cancelled within the 15-day window or if no showed, the permit holder will not be allowed to participate in the next year's lottery.

Additional Information: Maximum party size of 24 People and a limit of 8 float craft per float party are in affect all year (during and outside of control season).

Invasive Species Stickers: (Inflatable, non-motorized vessels less than 10 feet long are exempt). Either an [Idaho Invasive Species Fund sticker](#) (800) 247-6332 or an [Oregon Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permits](#) is accepted.

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Reservations/Cancellations (for recreation.gov): (877) 444-6777

Websites: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/wallowa-whitman/specialplaces/?cid=stelprdb5227104> and [Four Rivers Lottery Information](#) and [FAQs](#)