# 2012 RIVER RANGER RENDEZVOUS LOGISTICS

# **DRIVING DIRECTIONS**

Located 30 miles east of Missoula, Lubrecht Experimental Forest (<a href="http://www.cfc.umt.edu/lubrecht/default.htm">http://www.cfc.umt.edu/lubrecht/default.htm</a>) will be the base for the week's events. The following directions will get you there!



- 1. Take I-90 E/MT-200 E/US-12 E from Missoula.
- 2. Merge onto MT-200 E via EXIT 109 toward Bonner/Great Falls. (go 23.99 miles).
- 3. Turn right onto an unpaved road through the entrance to Lubrecht Experimental Forest.
  - -The entrance is 0.3 miles past Garnet Range Rd
  - If you reach Sunset Hill Rd you've gone about 1.9 miles too far
- 4. Stay to the left when the road splits and the main office will be on your right.
- 5. From there, facilities manager Jill Kinyon will direct you to the facilities we will be using.

# THINGS TO BRING

- Camping gear (tent, sleeping bag, headlamp, etc.)
- Clothing for all weather conditions (We will spend much of our time outside)
- River gear to stay warm and dry during the river day
- PFD (unless you requested one during registration)
- Sunscreen
- Towel and toiletries for showering
- · Personal boat, fishing rod (must purchase a valid Montana fishing license), etc. for free time
- Evening beverages of your choice

#### **FOOD AND CONVENIENCES**

Beginning with breakfast on Wednesday the 20th, food and drink during the RRR will be provided. For those attending the river rescue course, as well as lunch on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, meals will be on your own. There are no food services available to attendees at Lubrecht. The closest convenience stores are at Clearwater Crossing (9.5 miles east of Lubrecht) or the Potomac Store (7 miles west of Lubrecht). Both convenience stores sell fuel. There are only two "close" restaurants. Otherwise, a drive to Missoula or Seeley Lake would be required.

Cully's – A laid back bar and grill located next to the Potomac Store 7 miles west of Lubrecht.

Kind Swine BBQ – A brand new restaurant featuring Kansas City Style barbeque located 11.5 miles west of Lubrecht.

See the Missoulian Newspaper's Review - <a href="http://m.missoulian.com/entertainment/dining/eating-missoula-kind-swine-restaurant-serving-k-c-barbeque-along/article">http://m.missoulian.com/entertainment/dining/eating-missoula-kind-swine-restaurant-serving-k-c-barbeque-along/article</a> 1a9293de-74f2-11e1-adc6-0019bb2963f4.html

# **SWIFTWATER RESCUE TECHNICIAN COURSE ATTENDEES**

The following information was sent by Mike Johnston, the course instructor. Please contact Mike directly with any clothing/equipment needs or questions related to the course.

#### **Contact Information:**

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# **Course Description**

A two-day course designed for raft guides, river rangers and professional rescuers the SRT is a 20 plus hour class consisting of two days developing and practicing rescue skills on the river. While the initial emphasis is safety & self rescue, the class offers an in-depth look at reading water, recognizing and avoiding hazards, quick rescue techniques, boat-based rescues, dealing with boat wraps and entrapments, technical rescue systems, and a variety of practical scenarios. We progress from a solid foundation of rescue skills and practice into rescue scenarios on the river. The class is challenging, fun and tailored to the students needs. No experience necessary. A manual, test, patch, I.D. card, and certification are included. Certified through the Whitewater Rescue Institute (<a href="http://www.whitewaterrescue.com/">http://www.whitewaterrescue.com/</a>)

When: June 18 & 19, 2012

**Where:** Meet at 9am at the Roundup Fishing Access Site, Blackfoot River. The site is located 5 miles east of Lubrecht on Hwy 200. (Turn left immediately after the highway bridge crosses the Blackfoot River.)

What to Bring--Personal Gear for the River: A farmer john wetsuit with a dry/paddle top will work fine. A drysuit or full wetsuit for the early classes in April and May is better. Either way bring plenty of extra warm layers (fleece, polypro, wool, capilene, etc.). Do not wear any cotton clothing during the river days. The following is a list of typical items:

- Drysuit or Wetsuit/ Paddle Jacket Combo
- River Helmet
- Skull Cap/Hat
- Neoprene river booties/shoes or sox
- Lifejacket
- Neoprene River Gloves
- Xtra warm (non-cotton) layers
- Sack lunch and plenty of water for each river day.

\*\*Montana River Guides can provide wetsuit, helmet, and PFD at no charge.\*\*

\*\*You can arrange borrowing gear by emailing Mike your height and weight prior to the class.\*\*