

Green River (Desolation/Gray Canyon)

A permit is required year-round to run Desolation Canyon. Permits are issued only through advance reservation to individuals 18 years and older. The maximum group size is 25 people. Do not show up at the launch ramp without a permit expecting to launch or to join another group.

Process:

Launch reservations will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis via telephone or in person. Launches may be reserved up to five months prior to the launch date. For example, June 3 launch may be reserved anytime on or after January 3. You can obtain any available launch within the five month period. If the first call in date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, reservations will be taken on the next business day. If an unforeseen absence causes the phone to go unanswered for a day, that date will also book on the next business day. In person reservations may be made during business hours anytime after 1 p.m. on the first call in date. You may hold only one reservation at a time. A launch reservation is not a river permit. A permit will be issued after all fees are paid. All fees are non-refundable.

Fees: A \$20 application fee is due at the time you make the launch reservation. This fee is waived for reservations made less than 30 days before the launch date. Permit fees are \$25 per person. This permit fee must be received at least 30 days prior to the launch. Failure to pay the permit fee within 30 days of the launch will result in cancellation of the reservation. For reservations made within 30 days of launch date, permit fees must be paid at the time of the reservation. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED.**

A \$10 transaction fee will be charged whenever permit fees are paid after the reservation is made. Likewise changes to the permit, like changing group size or trip leader will be subject to the transaction fee.

Additional Information: Screen cabins at the Sand Wash launch site are available for reservation at \$20 per night, or by reservation when permit fees are paid.

Cancelling Your Permit: If you cancel your permit at least 30 days prior to the launch date, the BLM will authorize a credit equal to the amount of the permit fee. The credit may be applied towards payment of permit fees, if you are able to obtain a launch later this season on any one of the three rivers administered by the Price, Monticello, or Moab Field Offices. You must ask for a credit at the time you cancel.

Contact:

Bureau of Land Management
Price Field Office
125 South 600 West
Price, UT 84501

Telephone: 435/636-0975

Hours to call in reservations: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

Websites: <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/price/recreation/riverinf.html>