

## **GREEN RIVER PRE-TRIP INFORMATION**

The weather on the Green River is very unpredictable at all times of the year. Occasional showers are not uncommon. The Green River also has the outrageously warm times of the year, which generally fall from mid-June through early September. For dates other than mentioned, be prepared for the unexpected.

Clothing can change during the time of the year you visit the Green River. During the warm summer months, a t-shirt and a pair of shorts are more than adequate. We would still recommend bringing a poncho or light rain jacket just in case. Most anglers dress light and wear a pair of sandals. The majority of fishing is done from McKenzie Drift Boats so you will tend to stay dry. If you decide to wade fish, you will need either hip waders or chest high waders with felt-soled boots. During the winter months plan on bringing clothes that can be layered. Warm Capilene® long johns or fleece pants with the same material in a long sleeve shirt seem to handle the cold extremely well. If you take a pair of waders and put them over the layers, you should be quite content. Don't forget a rain jacket. If you're camping, a pair of lug soled camp boots would be nice. Oh and by the way, bring a hat!

Fly rods of 9' in length capable of handling a #5 or #6 line are best suited. An experienced angler could probably get by with a #4 line. The problem with the lighter lines is the ability to cast those large dry flies. A weight forward flyline would be the most important line for the trip. A sink-tip of 15' would be a good compliment to your arsenal. Leaders can range depending on the type of fishing and flies that are being used. Leaders of 9' with a 4X or 5X tippet will handle both nymph and dry-fly fishing. You may want to take along some short, 4-foot, 3X leaders for streamer fishing. Tippet materials should also be matched with the leaders. Tippets in 3X through 6X will handle all cases. Flies have been provided in the past and will continue to be provided if not taken advantage of. This is a privilege that guides expect to be compensated for in gratuities. There are no guarantees that flies will be free if abused.

Polarized sunglasses will, number one protect your eyes, and two, help spot fish and underwater structure. Brown, copper or amber colored lenses seem to be the best color for all conditions. A fishing vest is optional. You can get away with a chest pack or fanny pack and the bare essentials, i.e. forceps, nippers, zinger, measuring tape, floatant, split shot, strike indicators, etc. If you are on a camping trip, don't forget your sleeping bag. And don't forget your camera. We can always use more photos for website should you like to share them. Put new batteries in your camera prior to departing for your trip. A flashlight is always helpful whether you're camping out or staying in a lodge. From past travel experiences, we have found it helpful to carry about \$50.00 in \$1.00 bills. This is handy for tipping the baggage handlers and restaurant wait staff.

Be sure to go through your equipment to make sure everything is in good condition. Always double check your flights 24 hours prior to departure and arrive at the airport two hours early. A photo I.D. is required for all airline travel in order to check-in and pass airport security.

Feel free to stop in the shop and have one of the Pro Staff members help you out with whatever needs you may have prior to your great trip.

### **Tight Lines –**

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## EQUIPMENT TIPS FOR GUIDED FLOAT TRIPS

*We hope that you will find this information helpful in your plans for a successful trip on the Green River. We are always available to answer any of your questions or help in making arrangements for lodging on either your arrival or departure from the area.*

### Winter (December – February)

Temperatures and weather conditions can make short notice of an angler's expectations if not prepared for winter's weather, wind, rain and snow. It is always best to have too much clothing than not enough. Remember, the longer you're out there the more the cold seeps in.

- Wool or Pile Fingerless Mitts and an extra pair
- Lightweight or Neoprene Chest Waders
- Wool or Fleece Hat
- Layered underwear ó fleece is best
- Good Rain Coat
- Heavy Socks
- Wool Shirts and Sweaters but again fleece is best
- Fleece, Pile or Down jacket
- Hand Warmer

### Spring (March – May)

Spring temperatures can be mild. However, anglers should still be prepared to fish under trying conditions. Winter clothes are recommended with the following additions.

- Hat for Shade
- Lightweight fleece sweater
- Lightweight Chest or Hip Waders
- Sun block
- Always a Rain Coat

### Summer (June-August)

When the fishing is hot, so is Utah's weather. Anglers should prepare themselves for cool mornings and evenings and long hot days.

- Hat for shade
- Breathable flats style shirts and pants
- Shorts
- Light jacket or sweater
- Rain Coat
- Neoprene socks for wet wading
- Sandals for wet wading
- Breathable waders are OK in the summer months, but you will also enjoy the new quick-dry wading pants for underneath or wet wading.
- Lightweight or Gore-Tex® Waders



### Fall (September-November)

Anglers can have some of the season's best fly-fishing during these months. It is also a time when the fishing can be as varied as the weather— from hot to very cold and from dry flies to streamers. Referring to the winter and spring checklists will prepare anglers for any weather that they may encounter.

Fly-fishing is not considered a fair weather sport. Some of the best fishing is to be had on those cold rainy days. Anglers can better prepare themselves by developing a clothing system of layers. Don't miss out on the fishing because of a little weather.

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## Accessories List

- Sun Screen (+25 SPF or higher)
- Hook Hone
- Lip Balm
- Insect Repellent
- Hat(s)
- Camera with extra batteries & memory/film
- Bandanna
- Dry Bag
- Polarized Sunglasses (*more than one (1) pair*).
- Wader Repair Kit
- Net (*If you are fishing non-guided days*).
- Nippers
- Knife
- Forceps
- Zinger
- Measuring tape
- Floatant
- Split shot
- Strike indicators

## Utah fishing license

You will need a Non-Resident three (3) day for \$24 or a seven (7) day license for \$40 (*these prices are subject to change*). Children 14 years and older require a fishing license. The state of Utah is now set up to do all fishing licenses by computer. The previous way of hand writing them is gone. It is considerably more involved and slower when processing a number of licenses at one time. Therefore we recommend you get your license before traveling to the Green River. You may go on line to <https://wildlife.utah.gov/fishing-in-utah.html>. Follow the directions and enter a valid email address. Your temporary license/receipt will be e-mailed to the specified, provided email address.

Utah also offers Apps which are available as a free download for both Android and Apple devices.

**\*\*Please request rods and reels when you make your reservations should you need them.**

## The Guides provide:

Tippet, split-shot, indicators, fly floatant and net.

Please note that the guides provide the flies that you use at their own expense. Though you won't be billed for the flies, be sure to include a few extra dollars in the gratuity. Cost is normally at \$1 per fly lost or destroyed. A little consideration goes a long way in showing a guide how much you appreciate their effort to provide you with the hottest flies.

## Rods/Reels/Lines.

Fly rods of 9' in length capable of handling a #5 or #6 line are best suited. An experienced angler could probably get by with a #4 line. The problem with the lighter lines is the ability to cast those large dry flies. A weight forward flyline would be the most important line for the trip. A sink-tip of 15' type-4 density and a 24' 200 -250 grains would be good compliments to your arsenal. Leaders can range depending on the type of fishing and flies that are being used. Leaders of 9' with a 4X or 5X tippet will handle both nymph and dry-fly fishing. You may want to take along some short, 4-foot, 3X leaders for streamer fishing. Tippet materials should also be matched with the leaders. Tippets in 3X through 6X will handle all cases. Flies have been provided in the past and will continue to be provided if not taken advantage of. This is a privilege that guides expect to be compensated for in gratuities. There are no guarantees that flies will be free if abused. It is helpful if you bring 4X to 5X leaders. The guide may also have a leader if needed. Rod and reel rentals are available at \$25 per day.

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## See the following maps for:

### Flaming Gorge / Dutch John Area (Please note that maps are not to scale)



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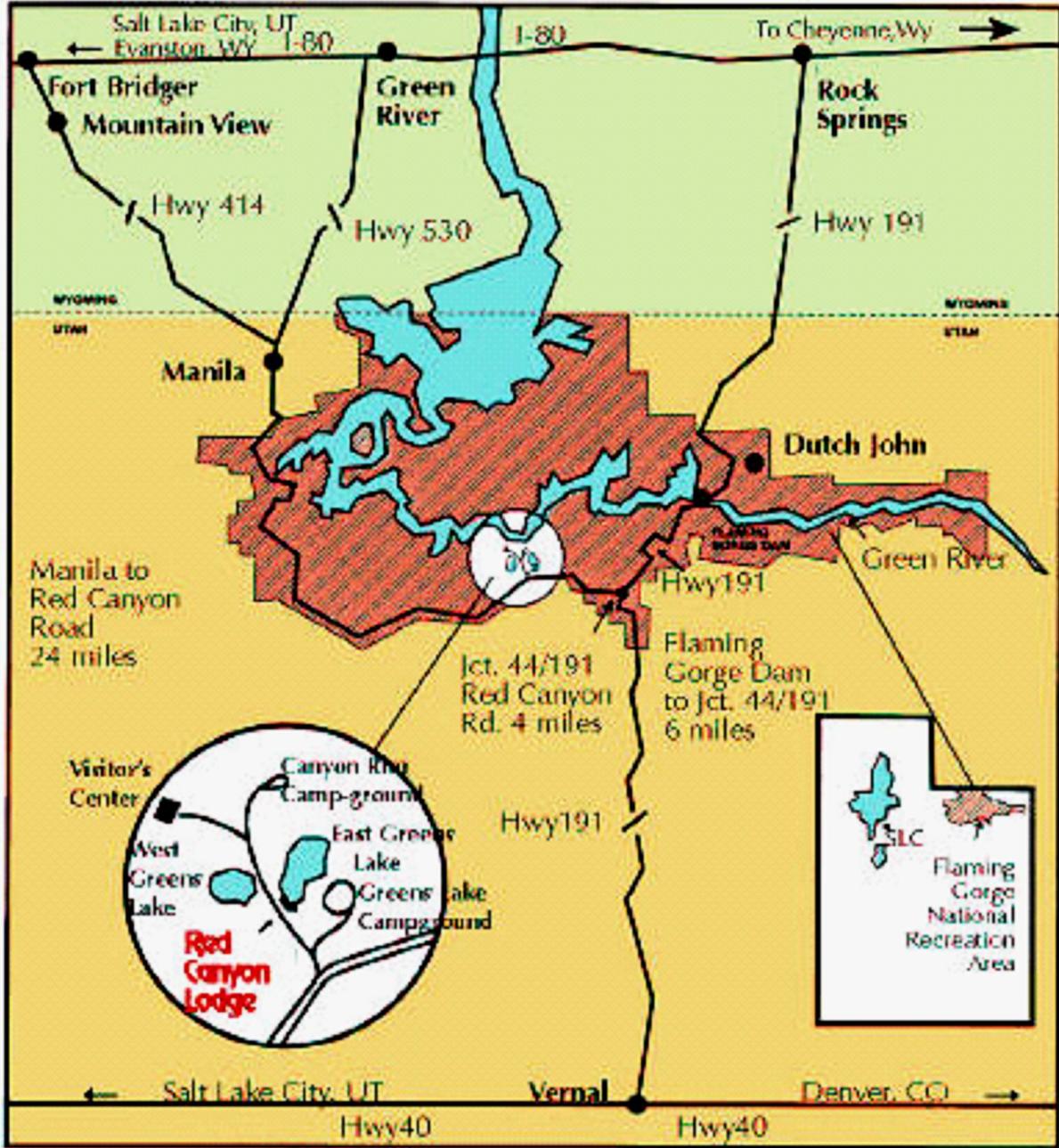
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