

Email for the Lower Yakima:

PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE MESSAGE. If you have questions after reading this document or are still confused about the directions don't hesitate to contact us. **(509)964-2530** rafts@fairpoint.com.

Before Your Rafting Trip:

1. Download Waivers and have everyone in your group sign.
2. Check the weather and dress appropriately
3. Bring food, water and snacks for the float (No Glass or Styrofoam)
4. Make sure to show up on time. If you are 30 or more minutes late and do not contact us, you may be charged \$20 an hour until you arrive. If you call us before your reservation time we are usually able to waive this fee.

21856 Canyon Rd, Ellensburg, WA 98926 (Address works with Google Maps, we cannot guarantee it works with other GPS) Please use directions below if possible.

Directions from I-90 (Heading either East or West):

1. Take **exit 109**, Ellensburg/Canyon road off of I-90
2. Turn **left** at the stop.
3. Continue on this road (Canyon Rd) for 6 miles
4. After **mile marker 22** look for the **BIG HORN** campground on the right.
5. At the BIG HORN campground park your car and head down toward the water.
6. Once you check in with a Rill Adventures employee you will follow the shuttle bus to Big Pines and get shuttled back to Big Horn.**

****Big Pines Parking:**

You will need to pay \$5 per car to park at Big Pines. Please bring cash with you for the parking fee.

Every reservation comes with paddles and personal floatation devices (PFDs). A Rill Adventures staff member will fit each person with a PFD to ensure proper fit.

Once your raft is loaded up and everyone has PFDs your group will receive a safety talk and will be told how to recognize the take out.

Important!!!

- We ask that all boats be in by 6 p.m. If you come in after 6, we ask that you return the equipment to the Rill Adventures office in Thorp.

Know your River Rules

- BE COURTEOUS TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND OTHER RIVER USERS You and your group are not the only ones on the river. There are families, private property owners, fishermen, kayaker's tubers and multiple government officials. Be kind to all you encounter.
- On the upper section of the river it is private land on both sides of the Yakima River. Even many of the islands have private owners.
- When you stop stay near the bank and be respectful of peoples privacy and their land.
- NO GLASS OR STYROFOAM - If you are bringing your own coolers remember no glass and Styrofoam will not with stand a raft trip keep it from polluting in our water ways. Think green.
- PACK OUT YOUR TRASH - Use the leave no trace behind principal and what you pack in make sure and pack out. Thank you!
- IT IS ILLEGAL TO CONSUME ALCHOL ON THE RIVER - RCW 66.44.100 states, "Except as permitted by this title, no person shall open the package containing liquor or consume liquor in a public place. Every person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a class 3 civil infraction under chapter 7.80 RCW." Please be responsible, safe and considerate of the other people using the river.
- If you do decide to drink on the river be smart. You must have two designated sober paddlers to safely control the raft at all times.
- Everyone needs to bring drinking water with them on the rafting trip. Being out in the sun is draining and dehydrating especially in the Central Washington heat.
- Dogs are allowed and we do have PFDs for your pet. But be sure and pay attention; if a pet damages equipment you are responsible for having it repaired.