What is provided by the Outdoor Center

The Outdoor Center will provide all necessary rafting gear. This includes boats, paddles, wetsuits, booties (for your feet), splash tops and helmets. You will need to provide your own synthetic or wool base layers and socks for under your wetsuit. See gear list for examples of appropriate clothing.

Transportation

All transportation to and from the Outdoor Center is provided.

Food

We will be on the river for most of the day so please bring a lunch and snacks. We don’t want anyone getting hangry!

Leave No Trace

All Outdoor Center Excursions promote Leave No Trace principles. With Excursions we offer several trips throughout the year which has a high impact in the environments that we are entering. While we are in the field this means that we will actively be practicing all LNT principles that apply to our groups.

Expedition Behavior

Expedition behavior means taking care of yourself and other group members. It means staying hydrated, not unnecessarily endangering yourself, and communicating concerns to trip leaders. Characteristics such as respectfulness, flexibility, tolerance of others, courtesy, direct communication, self-awareness, and teamwork become critical when traveling in small groups in remote areas. Proper expedition behavior can be the difference between an average experience and a great one!

Smoking, Alcohol, and Illegal Substances
Excursions is a substance free program. The use of any drugs or alcohol on the trip can compromise the safety and experience for the entire group. We have a no tolerance policy for drugs and alcohol on our trips. Any person found to be in breach of this policy will be subject to university consequences and/or criminal charges depending on the circumstances.

Resources

USGS River Levels
http://waterdata.usgs.gov/wa/nwis/current/?type=flow
NOAA Weather
http://www.weather.gov/

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Itinerary

Saturday, December 1st
7:00am – Arrival at OC (VU 150), grab gear and load.
7:45am – Hit the road
9:30am – Arrive at the river / Prep gear / Run Shuttle
11:00am – On the river!
12:00pm – Lunch with the eagles
2:30pm – Off the river / Change into dry, warm clothes / Load up
4:00pm – Hit the road
6:00pm – Arrive at the OC / Unload and wash gear /

Let’s go boatin’!