

# River Fun

Trail Beginning:

Trail Ending:

Trail Length:

Season of Use:

Usage Rate:

Difficulty:

Reference Maps: Lolo National Forest Visitor Map – Seeley Lake Ranger District

U.S.G.S. topographic quadrangle. -- Salmon Lake

Map Location: Section 25, T.15N., R.14W.

Directions:

## NARRATIVE

### **Blackfoot River**

(Bull trout, brown trout, mountain whitefish, rainbow trout, westslope cutthroat trout)

- Non-motorized watercraft only for the Blackfoot River and its tributaries.
- Special recreation rules apply to the Blackfoot River and all sites in the Blackfoot Recreation Corridor.
- Glass containers are prohibited on the Blackfoot River.

#### **Cedar Meadow - River right, mile 54**

Day use only; hand launch only. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: From Helmsville (starting from the post office), take the Ovando - Helmsville Road northwest for 4 miles.

#### **River Junction - River right, mile 52**

Six campsites - fee charged; Primitive boat launch; latrine. Road to site is very rough. Discharge of weapons restricted as posted on-site.

Directions: 38 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn southeast on an unmarked county road (FAS sign at the junction) for 9 rough miles, follow the signs.

#### **Scotty Brown Bridge - River right, mile 45**

Day use only; hand launch only. Parking limited to four vehicles. No parking on county road within 300 yards of Scotty Brown Bridge. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 38 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn southeast on an unmarked county road for 0.8 miles.

#### **Russell Gates Memorial - River right, mile 40**

11 campsites - fee charged; gravel boat launch; latrine. Potable water. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 34 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200.

#### **Clearwater Bridge - River right, mile 34**

Day use only; hand launch. Parking limited to six vehicles; no parking on Sunset Hill Road (parking restricted to designated parking areas only). Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 30 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn south on Sunset Hill Road for 2.4 miles

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### **Sunset Hill - River left, mile 32**

Day use only; hand launch only. Parking limited to three vehicles; no parking on Sunset Hill Road (parking restricted to designated parking areas only). Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 30 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn south on Sunset Hill Road for 4.6 miles.

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### **Roundup - River right, mile 29**

Day use only; slide launch for rafts; latrine. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 25.5 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn west (just before Mile Marker 27) on Ninemile Prairie Road for 0.1 mile.

### **Ninemile Prairie - River right, mile 25**

Three campsites - fee charged; no boat launch; latrine.

Access to water is difficult. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 25.5 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn west (just before mile marker 27) on Ninemile Prairie Road for 4.2 miles.

**Corrick's River Bend - River right, mile 23** 12 campsites - fee charged; gravel bar boat launch; latrine. Potable water. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 25.5 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, then 6 miles west on Ninemile Prairie Road.

### **Belmont Creek - River right, mile 21**

Day use only; no boat launch. Walk-in access only.

Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 10.3 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn north on Johnsrud Park Road for 9.5 miles.

### **Whitaker Bridge - River right, mile 19**

Day use only; concrete boat launch; latrine. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 10.3 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn north on Johnsrud Park Road for 6 miles.

### **Red Rocks - River right, mile 19**

Day use only; no boat launch. Walk-in access only; the Red Rocks parking lot is within 75 yards of Whitaker Bridge; Red Rocks beach is about 0.5 mile upstream of the parking area. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 10.3 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn north on Johnsrud Park Road for 6.1 miles.

### **Thibodeau - River left, mile 18**

Eight campsites - fee charged; latrine. Potable water; no day use parking. Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 10.3 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn north of Johnsrud Park Road for 5.5 miles.

### **Thibodeau Rapids - River left, mile 17**

Day use only; no boat launch. Walk-in access only.

Hunting and/or discharge of weapons prohibited.

Directions: 10.3 miles east of Bonner on Highway 200, turn north on Johnsrud Park Road for 5 miles.

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