

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) manages four semi-developed campgrounds along the mainstem and North Fork of the John Day River. Muleshoe Campground is located along Highway 19 approximately ten miles west of Spray. Lone Pine and Big Bend Campgrounds are located approximately three miles northeast of Kimberly along the North Fork. Donnelly Service Creek River Access Park located at the Highway 19/207 junction thirteen miles west of Spray, offers walk-in camping and a boat launch. All four campgrounds have a fee of \$5.00 per site and have picnic tables and toilets but no water or garbage collection. There is a \$2.00 charge per extra vehicle (tow vehicles excluded) in all fee campgrounds, with a maximum of two vehicles allowed per site.

Developed day use areas can be found at Monument Recreation Site near Monument and at Shady Grove Scenic Vista on Highway 19 between Kimberly and Spray.

Also in the vicinity of the John Day River, Wheeler County operates Shelton Wayside and Bear Hollow, fee campgrounds with water and toilets. Both are located on Highway 19 between Fossil and Service Creek.

Camping is also permitted on undeveloped BLM lands. Private land is interspersed with public land in all river sections, so it is essential to carry a good map showing land ownership. Please respect private property by camping and hiking only on BLM lands. The Prineville District has two maps of the John Day River. The Lower John Day River map covers that portion of the river between the town of Dayville and the Columbia River. The Upper John Day River map covers portions of the North, Middle and South Forks of the John Day River as well as the mainstem from the town of Kimberly to the river's source in the Malheur National Forest. The maps identify public and private land ownership, river miles and topography and are available free of charge by contacting the BLM at 541-416-6700 or or050mb@or.blm.gov.

Fishing regulations may be obtained from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Additional information about specific campgrounds is available at [Camping and Day Use Information](#) or by contacting the Prineville BLM at 541-416-6700. We hope you enjoy your trip!