

Rio Grande Wild & Scenic River - Lower Canyons
River Mileages & Estimated Minimum Days Required Between Strategic Points

This chart provides basic distance and estimated time for float trips from Heath Canyon to Dryden Crossing. The number of days estimated for each segment is given certain safety and pleasure considerations, e.g. layover days, extended trip lengths, bad weather and injuries. Fifteen to twenty miles per day is a normal pace in the Lower Canyons. These calculations are estimates only. Feasibility of a particular trip varies with seasons and river levels. Always check current conditions before planning your float trip. The number under each Strategic Point is the official river mile designation assigned by the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC).

Heath Canyon

776

1	Maravillas Creek															776					
10	766																				
2	1	Taylor's Farm														754					
22	12																				
2	1	1	Big Canyon												750						
26	16	4																			
2	1	1	1	Reagan Canyon											748						
28	18	6	2																		
3	2	1	1	1	Silber Canyon										739						
37	27	15	11	9																	
3	3	2	1	1	1	Hot Springs Rapid							737								
39	29	17	13	11	2																
4	3	2	1	1	1	1	Bullis Fold					733									
43	33	21	17	15	6	4															
4	3	2	1	1	1	1	Palmas Canyon					732									
44	34	22	18	16	7	5	1														
4	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	Rodeo Rapid					727								
49	39	27	23	21	12	10	6	5													
5	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	Upper Madison Falls					722							
54	44	32	28	26	17	15	11	10	5												
5	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	Lower Madison Falls					720						
56	46	34	30	28	19	17	13	12	7	2											
5	4	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	Panther Rapid					717					
59	49	37	33	31	22	20	16	15	10	5	3										
5	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	San Francisco Creek					711				
65	55	43	39	37	28	26	22	21	16	11	9	6									
6	5	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	Bone Watering					706			
70	60	48	44	42	33	31	27	26	21	16	14	11	5								
6	5	5	4	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	Sanderson Rapid					699		
77	67	55	51	49	40	38	34	33	28	23	21	18	12	7							
6	6	5	5	5	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	Agua Verde Rapid					695	
81	71	59	55	53	44	42	38	37	32	27	25	22	16	11	4						
6	6	5	5	5	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	Dryden Crossing					694
82	72	60	56	54	45	43	39	38	33	28	26	23	17	12	5	1					

Key to Table

Strategic Point

Official IBWC river mile

Days Est. minimum length

Miles Between Strategic Points