



Echo Canyon River Expeditions offers smooth water trips for new

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Another Big Year of Rafting on the Arkansas River? Snowpack Levels are 141 Percent of Average

CAÑON CITY, Colo., Feb. 21, 2020 - Unless it stops snowing in Colorado for the next couple of months, the mountain snowpack above central Colorado's Arkansas River is going to be huge.

Again.

A year ago the snowpack was at 30 percent above average, and today it is 41 percent above historic median figures. Last year March and April storms piled on to the already-above-average snowpack and turned into an epic one. Those months are traditionally Colorado's snowiest.

The result was a huge and seemingly endless rafting season on the river. "We'll be talking about the 2019 season for a long time," said Andy Neinas, owner of [Echo Canyon River Expeditions](#), Colorado's largest rafting outfitter. "While I won't venture a weather forecast for the remainder of

rafters as well as those looking for big water.



The snow falling around the high-end Royal Gorge Cabins in February will soon make its way toward the river.

winter and into spring, I will say that our early February snows bode well for summer whitewater.”

Neinas and his crew are already busy preparing for the big waves of the Royal Gorge as well as the smaller levels upstream that appeal to intermediate rafters and families who run Bighorn Sheep Canyon and gentle stretches on the country’s sixth-longest river.

Echo Canyon offers half-, full- and multi-day rafting trips. Per-person rates for adults are \$77 for the half-day Gentle Family Float, \$77 for Bighorn Sheep Canyon Rafting and \$89 for Royal Gorge rafting, the most challenging of the resort’s rafting options.

In addition to its rafting trips, Echo Canyon operates nine one- and two-bedroom [Royal Gorge Cabins](#) and eight - soon to be 13 - glamping tents to appeal to guests who love the rafting and would prefer to linger instead of driving home afterwards. The original four glamping tents quickly became so popular that more were added after the first season.

The resort’s [8 Mile Bar & Grill](#) is a central meeting point where rafters watch videos of their trips, compare notes and unwind with a beverage or meal on the patio.

More information about rafting trips can be found [online](#) or by calling 1-800-755-3246.

Reservations for the cabins and glamping tents can be made online at www.royalgorgecabins.com or by calling 1-800-748-2953.

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[Echo Canyon River Expeditions](#) is the leading whitewater destination resort in central Colorado and one of the country’s top [adventure resorts](#), according to *U.S. News & World Report*. The resort is located west of Cañon City, Colo. on U.S. Route 50. Drive time is approximately two and one-half hours from Denver and one hour from Colorado Springs. The Colorado Springs Airport (COS) offers non-stop service from several major cities throughout the country including Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Chicago and Phoenix.

Contact Echo Canyon by email at info@raftecho.com or by calling 1-800-690-3246, or follow the resort on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [Instagram](#) or by signing up for the resort’s [newsletter](#). Travelers can also read about visitors’ experiences on [TripAdvisor](#) and see why Echo Canyon is consistently named the No. 1-rated tour in Cañon City.

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