

MERCED RIVER PLAN

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Yosemite National Park Announces Merced River Plan Spring Workshops
Public Encouraged to Participate in Important Park Planning Effort

Yosemite National Park is currently working on the Comprehensive Management Plan for the Merced Wild and Scenic River (MRP). This plan will provide the framework for management decisions regarding the Merced River and the Merced River Corridor in Yosemite National Park. The park contains 81 miles of the Merced River, a federally designated Wild and Scenic River.

Public participation in the planning effort is vitally important. The park will be conducting six workshops this spring concerning various aspects of the plan. These workshops are designed to inform visitors and elicit feedback about management issues necessary to complete the Merced River Plan. Each spring workshop will focus on a different and unique management concern that directly relates to the Merced River. The public is highly encouraged to attend all of these important workshops. Spring meetings on the Merced River Plan will occur on the following dates:

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOPIC
March 25, 2011	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Yosemite Valley Auditorium	Recreation
April 22, 2011	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Yosemite Lodge - Garden Terrace Room	Hydrology, Biology, Geology
April 26, 2011	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Yosemite Lodge - Garden Terrace Room	Transportation
April 27, 2011	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Yosemite Valley Auditorium	Cultural Resources
April 29, 2011	8:00 am - 4:30 pm	Yosemite Lodge - Garden Terrace Room	User Capacity
May 13, 2011	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Yosemite Lodge - Garden Terrace Room	Science Forum