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2020 USA Wildwater Senior Team Trials to be on the Nantahala River October 19-20, 2019

The USA Wildwater Committee is delighted to announce that our Senior Team Trials for the 2020 World Championships and the 2020 World Cups will be on the Nantahala River. The Nantahala Outdoor Center and the Nantahala Racing Club have a long, rich history of hosting local, national, and international events. This is the perfect venue for our Team Trials as our athletes will be able to train and race on the very same course that they will be competing on at the 2020 World Championships in April 2020.

LOCATION: Nantahala River, Bryson City, NC

- The Nantahala is one of Western North Carolina’s premier class II/III rivers.
- It is the site for the 2020 Wildwater World Championships.

RACE DATES: October 19th & 20th 2019

HOST/RACE ORGANIZER:

- Host: Nantahala Outdoor Center & Nantahala Racing Club
- Organizer: Todd McGinnis & Sam Gaughan

RIVER ACCESS:

- Roadside
- Multiple Access Points
- Put in and take out for both courses have established access points

PRACTICE AND TRAINING DATES: Course is open for training so long as the river is releasing. Training is closed during the actual race.

October 2019						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		01	02	03	04	05
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

- **GRAY RELEASES:** 10AM TO 3PM
- **RED RELEASES:** 9AM TO 5PM



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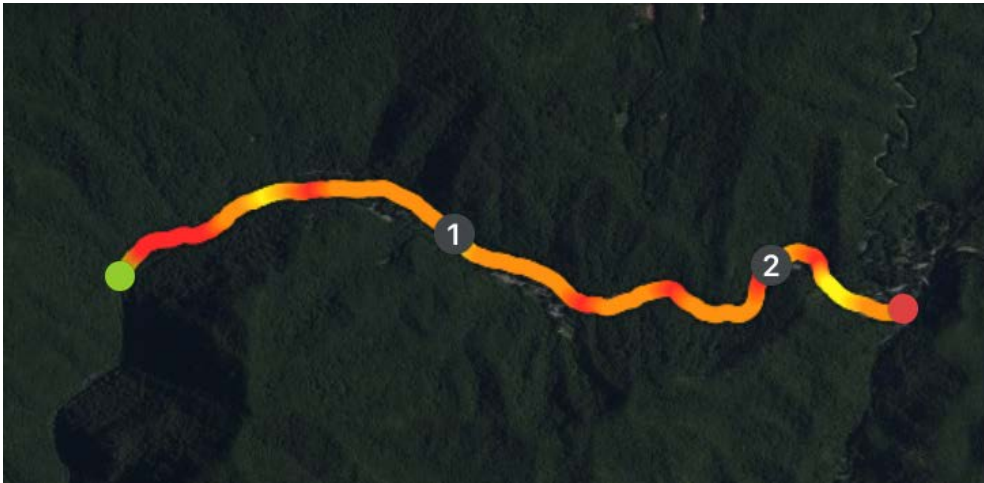


RACE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

Classic Course: 2020 World Championship Course - Surfers Rapid to upstream Edge of NOC Building – Distance approximately 2.5 miles –

Fastest K-1 Times on this course at the 2019 US Open were:

- Mens: 13:10.0
- Womens: 13:59.1



Sprint Course: 2020 World Championship Course - Top of Nantahala Falls to upstream edge of NOC Building – Distance approximately .35 miles

Fastest K-1 Times at the US Open 2019 times:

- Mens: 01:32.1
- Womens: 01:44





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RACE ORGANIZATION:

Host/Race Organizer:

Nantahala Outdoor Center: <https://noc.com/>

Nantahala Racing Club: <http://nantahalaracingclub.com/>

Race Chair:

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Race Location Contact:

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Other Race Committee Members:

Chief Judge: TBD

Safety Officer: TBD

Race Headquarters: Nantahala Outdoor Center <https://noc.com/>

Boat Control/Measuring: Times TBD - Race Hqtrs - ICF Process

Race Registration Process: Paddle Guru

FOOD AND LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS:

- Food
 - Rivers End – NOC Campus - <https://noc.com/>
 - Pizza By The River – Half mile from NOC
 - Village Inn Restaurant – Half mile from NOC
 - Downtown Bryson City – 14 miles from NOC
 - Various choices from Fine Dining to Casual Family Restaurants
- Lodging
 - Nantahala Village Inn
 - Downtown Bryson City – 14 miles from NOC
 - Various options
- Campgrounds
 - Turkey Creek
 - Smoky Mountain Meadows
 - Nantahala Hideaway
- Potential for RV camping at NOC must be approved

WEATHER:

Typical October weather

High of 68°

Low of 40°