

Applicants Wanted: River Trip Rigger

Please Contact Canyon REO at:

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Since 1991, Canyon REO has worked with private Grand Canyon boaters to provide the support and supplies for an unforgettable wilderness trip. While many experienced boaters have the skills to raft through the Grand Canyon, few have the necessary equipment or desire to plan the logistics of a 16-30 day river trip. Planning a Grand Canyon trip is a massive undertaking and often takes place over one to two years. Canyon REO has developed and refined a program to provide equipment, food, shuttles, and logistical support to these boaters. We make the long process of planning a private Grand Canyon river trip smooth and easy.

Riggers serve a critical transportation, customer service, and educational function. Their job is to guide clients through the put-in and take-out process. They will ensure equipment and people are transported safely, that clients understand how to set up and use Canyon REO equipment, and that trips launch and take-out smoothly. This requires an in-depth understanding of river equipment, interpersonal skills, and the ability to coach private boaters of various experience levels.

Rigger is an “as needed” position that requires a flexible schedule to accommodate put-ins and take-outs on any day of the week. Riggers typically take advantage of full or part time work at REO between rigs.

JOB REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- A flexible schedule to accommodate rigs on any day of the week.
- Safely operate large, heavily loaded trucks and trailers in town, on freeways, and on dirt roads – No CDL required.
- Properly load and unload river gear from trucks and trailers.
- Organize groups of people and keep them on task during rigs and de-rigs.
- Teach boaters of various experience levels to frame, load, and rig rafts.
- Run a 30-minute orientation that addresses each groups specific gear and food pack.
- Demonstrate the use and repair of river equipment.
- Knowledgeably answer questions about river equipment, river systems, and rafting in general.
- Complete and keep organized rig day and take-out paperwork.
- Assist with ranger interactions such as required gear checks and permit verifications.
- Perform occasional onsite maintenance and repair of equipment and vehicles.
- Create an environment of safety, trust, and confidence with clients.
- Represent Canyon REO and our values during all official interactions.

EXPERIENCE:

Required: Operating large vehicles and trailers; loading and unloading trucks and trailers; rigging and de-rigging; organizing and leading groups of people.

Preferred: Grand Canyon rafting experience; guiding, education or leadership experience.

SKILLS & ABILITIES:

This is a physically demanding position, periodically requiring early mornings, late nights, long drives, and overnight stays at Lee's Ferry. Working conditions are outdoors and include strenuous physical activity in all weather conditions, including extreme heat and cold.

- Safely drive and back up large trucks and trailers (CDL not required).
- Load and unload trucks and trailers.
- Comfortably and repeatedly lift 50lb objects.
- Clear and authoritative communication.

Primary Location: Flagstaff, Arizona

Work Location: Flagstaff, Lee's Ferry, Diamond Creek, and Pearce Ferry

Job: Transportation, manual labor, education, customer service

Schedule: Flexible, as needed

Pay: \$18 - \$20 an hour

Additional work is available in REO's warehouse. Inquire for details.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please email a resume, cover letter, and references to: info@canyonreo.com, with "Rigger Application" in the subject line. Please include if you are interested in additional employment with Canyon REO between trips.