

**FISHOUT SHEET: NORTH FORK YUBA****June 1-3, 2018**

Adam Williamson, Fishmaster

- Rendezvous:** We will meet for dinner at JADAA's kitchen in Downieville, CA at 6:45 PM on Friday June 1. If you will be late please call and text both Adam (413-658-5702) and Ellen (574-220-0408). Ellen and I will be driving up Friday afternoon, hopefully getting into town ~4 PM. This will give us time to pitch our tent at Wild Plum Campground and meet you all for dinner. The drive will take ~4 hrs from Berkeley, depending on traffic (at least 3.5, as long as 5hrs).
- Plan:** We will break up into cars on Saturday morning and hit different turnouts along the river, reconvening for dinner. Ellen and I will be in a Grey Honda Fit (CA License 6RTM140 ) if you are late and want to find us during the Saturday. Ellen and I will fish for the day on Sunday and return to Berkeley Sunday early evening.
- Lodging:** All anglers are responsible for arranging their lodging (see about camping below). The Carriage House Inn (Downieville, CA) offers comfortable accommodations at reasonable rates. They have also donated gift certificates to the club in the past. Their phone number for reservations is: (530) 289-3573
- Camping:** I reserved two adjacent spots at Wild Plum Campground (off Hwy 49). Ellen and I will pitch a tent at one of the spots, the other is available. Please let me know ASAP if you want to camp – we are only allowed one car per campsite so carpooling is encouraged. There may be additional spots available at Wild Plum or other nearby campgrounds (Salmon Creek Campground is also very nice).
- Conditions:** The river will probably be running ~550-750 CFS if conditions hold. I love the N. Fork of the Yuba – it is a delightful mix of nice pocket water and slower runs, all of which hold fish. They often huddle near the bank so wade carefully and finish your drifts! It WILL BE COLD. Long underwear recommended, I will probably wear waders but they are not necessary if you don't have them. Please bring good raingear and sunglasses/eye protection as well.
- Safety:** The wading itself is easy and safe. The water is clear and the bottom isn't too slippery. If you have a wading staff bring it but don't purchase one just for this trip. The danger is coming from the turnouts where we park to the river. Please exercise caution getting down to the river! I often get too excited and fall in my haste – please be careful.
- Equipment:** 7ft-9ft rods anywhere from 3wt to 6wt are all great (basically whatever you have). I will fish long leaders (9-12ft) and light tippet (5x or 6x). Just bring your rod, don't buy new equipment or flies for this trip. This is a decent river for novices as well, I love it up there.
- Patterns:** I have been successful with both dry flies and nymphs on this water. These fish will rise for dries throughout the day. Parachute Adams (size 12-16), Purple Haze (size 12-14), and BMDs (small) should work. Someone at a shop today recommended Green Drakes this time of year (size 12-16 with nice big bodies) with nymphs to match. I love nymphing this water, it is a great place to learn how to get down because it's not very deep. You shouldn't need much extra weight (if any) to get a beadhead down. I will fish Price Nymphs (size 14-20), Pheasant tails (size 12-18), and Flashbacks (size 14-20). Bring your tiny midges too.