

A STATE WATER TRAIL GUIDE TO THE BIG FORK RIVER

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| | Carry-in Access | | Drinking Water |
| | Trailer Access | | Outfitter |
| | Rest Area | | Point of Interest |
| | Watercraft Campsite | | |
| | Campground | | |
| | River Mile | | Designated Public Lands |
| | Rapids | | Tribal Trust Land |

0 1 2 3 4 5 Miles
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NORTH

Route Description of the Big Fork River

NOTE: (R) and (L) represent right and left banks of the river when facing downstream.

RIVER MILE

- 0.0 (R) Confluence with Rainy River. On right is Grand Mound Interpretive Center.
- 0.5 (L) Trailer access at Reedy Flats Landing, a Boise Cascade site on the upstream side of the State Highway 11 bridge.
- 1.4 Power line crossing.
- 8.1 (R) Ivan Crawford Landing trailer access.
- 19.0 (R) County Road 1 bridge, Town of Linford.
- 30.4 (R) Keuffner's Landing trailer access and watercraft campsite.
- 34.2 (R) Gowdy Landing carry-in access.
- 36.0 (L) Gowdy Campsite. The site has tables and fire rings.
- 40.0 Class I rapids.
- 42.9 (R) Ben Lynn Landing, a grassy clearing with a campground and carry-in access.
- 47.6 (L) Sturgeon River Landing. Carry-in access and campground, just above the confluence with the Sturgeon River.
- 52.5 (R) Big Falls West trailer access, campground and rest area with drinking water.
- 52.8 Railroad trestle with river level gauge.
- 53.0 (L) Big Falls East Landing trailer access. The beginning of a half-mile portage around Big Falls, which is a series of four falls dropping 40 feet in a quarter mile, rated Class IV. Cross the river via Hwy 71 Bridge. Put in at trailer access west of Hwy 71 below the falls on river right.
- 63.5 (L) Grunwald Landing carry-in access.
- 67.5 (L) Johnson Landing. Rest area near shore; campsite and drinking water up a gentle rise, several hundred feet from the river. The drinking water comes from an artesian well through a small pipe.
- 72.6 Power line crossing.
- 75.6 (L) Carry-in access at State Highway 6 bridge.
- 81.5 (L) Easy Half Campsite, a grassy clearing amid deciduous trees with picnic tables.
- 83.1 (L) Caldwell Brook joins.
- 91.5 (L) Carry-in access at State Highway 6 bridge.
- 91.7 Class I rapids.
- 94.0 (R) Old Hudson Bay Farm Campsite and rest area.
- 95.5 Powells Rapids, a Class I boulder-bed rapids.
- 104.8 Little American Falls—The river plunges over a six foot ledge into a deep pool flanked by 60 foot bluffs. This Class IV-V pitch bears scouting and probably a portage at any level. Portage left. A campsite with fire ring lies to the left of the falls. A county campground, picnic site and parking area are on the right bluff, up a steep trail. County Road 5 bridge. The site of Craigville, an abandoned logging town.
- 107.6 County Road 40 bridge.
- 113.5 End Muldoon Rapids, Class II. End of half-mile portage.
- 114.2 (R) Muldoon Campsite, off portage trail.
- 114.7 (R) Beginning of half-mile portage.
- 114.9 Begin Muldoon Rapids, Class II, a boulder half-mile stretch with two-foot waves in high water.
- 116.9 Class I rapids.
- 119.1 County Road 229 bridge.
- 121.1 County Road 40 bridge.
- 123.0 (R) Busicogan Campsite. This large site has a fire ring and privy.
- 123.7 (R) Class I boulder-bed rapids begins at bend about 100 yards above State Highway 1.
- 127.2 County Road 42 bridge.
- 132.9 County Road 237 bridge.
- 133.1-134.2 Rice Rapids, a long, bouldery Class I stretch that washes out in high water.
- 134.0 (R) Rice Rapids Campsite.
- 137.6 Footbridge. Confluence with the Rice River.
- 137.8 State Highway 38 bridge. Town of Big Fork. River gauge on bridge.
- 138.0 (R) Trailer access and watercraft campsite. Drinking water available.
- 147.1 State Hwy 6 bridge.
- 147.3 (R) Hwy 14 carry-in access.
- 149.3 (L) Little Minnow campsite.
- 153.3 Hauck Rapids, Class I.
- 155.5 County Road 14 bridge.
- 157.1 Robbs Rapids, Class I.
- 158.3 (L) Harrison Landing, trailer access, campground, upstream of County Road 14 bridge, privies, tables, and fire rings.
- 171.3 (L) U.S. Forest Service trailer access and rest area on west shore of Dora Lake with tables and privy.

