

## BRULE RIVER (B1)

<b>Put-in</b>	Brule River Campground	<b>Elevation Drop</b>	115 feet
<b>Take-out</b>	Highway 139/189 Bridge	<b>Average Gradient</b>	8.4 feet per mile
<b>Distance</b>	14.5 miles	<b>Minimum Suggested Flow</b>	220 cfs / 3.5 feet @ US 2 Bridge Gauge
<b>Approximate Time</b>	6-7 hours	<b>Water Level Info / Phone</b>	U.S. Forest Service, Florence
<b>Most Difficult Rapids</b>	Class 1		715.528.4464

### Paddler's Notes

- 49.0 Mile Brule River Campground Landing River:** The river flows through alder marsh before passing under the Highway 55 bridge. After the bridge, the banks gradually become higher and steeper with beautiful groves of pine, spruce and balsam fir. **Shuttle:** A small, scenic campground with 11 rustic sites rests beneath tall stands of red pine, balsam fir, and white spruce. River access is behind the water pump between sites 7 and 8, a short walk from the drive. Hand carry access, parking, trailer turn-around. **NOTE: Campground closed as of 2015, but the landing is still open.**
- 47.4 Mile Hagerman Creek** The creek enters from river left.
- 47.1 Mile Bass Creek** The creek enters from river left.
- 44.2 Mile FR 2172 Landing River:** The access path appears on the right bank after a left bend, surrounded by a small stand of balsam fir. A short path runs up a steep bank to the parking area. The river flows around a series of islands, and becomes riffly about a half mile downstream. **Shuttle:** The river access is located at the end of FR 2172. Hand carry access, parking, limited trailer turn-around.
- 42.3 Mile Camp Lake Creek** The creek enters from river left just before a right bend.
- 39.7 Mile Allen Creek** The wide mouth of Allen Creek is on river right. The river forks around a couple of wooded islands downstream and runs through several sets of riffles.
- 39.2 Mile FR 2454 Landing River:** The landing is on the right bank in a right bend shortly after Allen Creek enters from river right. A pair of cedar trees shade the access where wooden steps lead up the slope from the waters edge. The river flows through marsh, alder thickets and mixed pine. **Shuttle:** On Highway 70, turn north onto Huff Creek Rd, the parking area is at the end. **WARNING** The last mile or so is a jeep track and you will need a vehicle with high ground clearance. The trail from the parking area to the river is close to 200 yards long. Hand carry access, parking.
- 37.8 Mile Campsite** A couple of primitive campsites are located on top of the steep left bank. The sites lay beneath a grove of balsam fir, white spruce, and red pine. The river access at the end of Brule River Dr is just downstream on river left.
- 37.7 Mile Brule River Drive Landing River:** A sharp right bend, then a long left bend precede the landing which is on the left bank. The river narrows and forks around a stone pile (island) that was once an abutment for a bridge that used to crossed the river at this location. The access path is on river left next to the island and is surrounded by dense thicket at the river's edge, and is very easy to miss. A cabin and several abandoned shanties are downstream on the right bank. The current is quick and riffly. **Shuttle:** From Highway 189, turn west onto Brule River Drive. The river access is at the very end. The last mile of road is rough with occasional fallen trees obstructing the way, usually small scrub pines. Hand carry access, parking, limited trailer turnaround.
- 35.6 Mile Huff Creek** The river widens and forks around a group of islands. The main channel is down the wide left fork, Huff Creek enters from river right.
- 35.1 Mile Chuks Creek** The creek enters from river right.

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**34.5 Mile Highway 139 / 189 Bridge Landing** **River:** The river continues to flow through marsh and lush lowland forest. The access path is on the right bank just after the highway bridge. **Shuttle:** In Wisconsin, on Highway 139, the river access is south of the bridge on the east side of the highway. A gravel jeep track leads down to the river. Hand carry access, limited parking.

### Driving Directions (Google Maps)



**Brule River Campground  
Landing**



**FR 2172 Landing**



**FR 2454 Landing**



**Hwy 139/189 Bridge  
Landing**

### GPS - NAD83 / WGS84

Brule River CG Landing	46.02745,-88.79757
Highway 55/73 Bridge	46.03245,-88.79731
Hagerman Creek	46.03218,-88.78557
FR 2172 Landing	46.02169,-88.76413
Camp Lake Creek	46.02665,-88.73256
Allen Creek	46.01824,-88.70492
FR 2454 Landing	46.01635,-88.69684
Brule River Dr Landing	46.00885,-88.67603
Huff Creek	45.98904,-88.67093
Hwy 139/189 Bridge Landing	45.98768,-88.65239