

FLAMBEAU RIVER SOUTH FORK (FS2)

Put-in	County W Bridge	Elevation Drop	31 feet
Take-out	County M Wayside	Average Gradient	4.2 feet per mile
Distance	7.4 miles	Minimum Suggested Flow	No USGS Gage
Approximate Time	3-4 hours	Water Level Info / Phone	Flambeau River State Forest HQ 715.332.5271
Most Difficult Rapids	Class 2-3		

Paddler's Notes

13.5 Mile County W Bridge Landing River: Homes and cottages sit on the left bank below the County W Bridge. The river is wide with scenic islands and beautiful tree covered banks. **Shuttle:** On County W, east of the bridge, turn south onto Down River Road. The landing entrance is immediately on your right, a wide and rutty drive. Hand carry access, parking.

The character of the rapids in this segment change dramatically depending on water levels. During low flows many of the rapids become boulder gardens. During high flows, some rapids 'wash out' while others can produce considerable waves and become more difficult, especially at Cornsheller Rapids and Bergeron Rapids. Contact the Flambeau River State Forest HQ at 715.332.5271 for river level information.

11.8 Mile Carpenter's Rapids (Class 1-2) After a stretch of riffles in a left bend, the river constricts into the first pitch of Carpenter's Rapids. A short stretch of flat-water follows before the river constricts again into the more challenging second pitch. A series of islands follow.

9.7 Mile Stoney Brook Stoney Brook enters from river left near the head of a long & narrow, wooded island. You'll enter the Flambeau River State Forest approximately 170 yards downriver from the brook mouth. The lee of the island is inside the State Forest.

9.1 Mile Cornsheller Rapids (Class 2) A challenging rapids that you'll want to scout. Rocky ledges that form islands in medium to high flows extend out into the river from the right (west) bank. Plan your route carefully through the constriction on river-left. Large waves develop over the boulders and rocky ledges in high flows. The river widens and slows after the rapids.

8.2 Mile Price Creek The creek enters from river right in a sharp left bend.

Price Creek Rapids (Class 2) Immediately after Price Creek, the river constricts in a left bend and rushes through a series of rocky rapids and boulder gardens. The rapids occur in narrow channels around several small, rocky islands.

8.0 Mile Big Bull Rapids (Class 2) Big Bull Rapids are in the first right bend following Price Creek Rapids. The river forms bouldery channels around several small, grassy islands. This can be a challenging rock garden in low flows.

7.2 Mile Rapids (Class 2) A long, narrow wooded island follows Big Bull Rapids. After the island, the river constricts into a short wavy rapid. Another short, rocky rapid occurs about 0.3 mile downriver from the first.

6.8 Mile Bull Creek The creek enters from river right after the second pitch of Bull Rapids.

6.6 Mile Bergeron Rapids (Class 2-3) After a wide pool the river constricts into a fun, wavy rapids (medium flows). This stretch becomes a rock garden during low flows. The rapids rate class 3 at high water levels producing large waves. Beautiful rock formations surround the rapids.

6.1 Mile County M Wayside Landing River: Shortly after Bergeron Rapids, you will see the large steel structure of the County M Bridge. The landing is river left just before the bridge. Steep wooden stairs leads up from the riverbank. **Shuttle:** On County M, the landing is east of the bridge in a small and well-maintained park with plenty of shade. Hand carry access, parking, pit toilets, grill, picnic table.

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Driving Directions (Google Maps)



County W Bridge Landing



County M Wayside Landing

GPS - NAD83 / WGS84

County W Bridge Landing	45.70357,-90.61622
Carpenters Rapids	45.69358,-90.64291
Stony Brook	45.67811,-90.67574
Cornsheller Rapids	45.67445,-90.68621
Price Creek Rapids	45.66789,-90.70050
Big Bull Rapids	45.66382,-90.70384
Bergeron Rapids	45.65878,-90.72869
County M Wayside Landing	45.65787,-90.73591