

WISCONSIN RIVER (LWSR SEGMENT 4)

Put-in Woodman Landing
Take-out Bridgeport Landings
Distance 12.9 miles
Approximate Time varies, full day / multi-day trip
Most Difficult Rapids flat-water

Elevation Drop 23 feet
Average Gradient 1.8 feet per mile
Minimum Suggested Flow contact local outfitter
Water Level Info / Phone contact local outfitter

Paddler's Notes

Suggested River Levels for Paddling

Always check the local weather forecast before paddling on the LWSR. Also, even if the local forecast calls for sunny conditions, talk to a local outfitter about possible river surges before embarking on an overnight trip! Although it may be sunny in the LWSR, any kind of heavy rainfall upriver can result in an unexpected rise in river levels. Although this set of conditions doesn't happen very often, it occasionally does, and is something to be aware of.



Below 4,000 cfs	Very shallow riverway, many large sandbars. You may have to step out and push several times. Excellent conditions for sandbar camping!
4,000 cfs to 10,000 cfs	Normal summer conditions, many medium to large-sized sandbars. Shallow riverway at low end of this range - occasionally, you may have to step out and push. Excellent conditions for sandbar camping!
10,000 cfs to 14,000 cfs	Above normal flow conditions, noticeable undercurrents developing, especially in lee of sandbars and islands. Sandbars are smaller and fewer in number at high end of this range. Usually acceptable conditions for sandbar camping.
14,000 cfs to 17,000 cfs	High flow conditions. Undercurrents above 4 mph develop, especially in lee of sandbars. Sandbars are few in number. Sandbar camping not recommended in this range.
17,000 cfs to 20,000 cfs	High flow conditions with deceptively powerful undercurrents developing. Overnight camping on sandbars and beaches not recommended! Can be a fun day trip however, many small channels open up in lower reaches of the LWSR - be careful of strainers in narrow confines.
Above 20,000 cfs	Paddling not recommended!

- 18.7 Mile** **Woodman Landing River:** The segment starts off in a very scenic area as tall bluffs tower over the river on the south bank. The dense forest of the Wauzeka Bottoms State Wildlife Area covers the north bank. **Shuttle:** On Highway 133, west of Woodman, the landing entrance is on the west side of the road. Trailer ramp, pier, trailer turnaround, parking area, shaded picnic area, picnic table, grill.
- 17.9 Mile** **Newton Island** The main channel bends right (northwest) as the river forks around Newton Island. The narrow left fork can be fun to explore, but you will need to avoid overhanging trees.
- 16.8 Mile** **Harris Island, Kickapoo River confluence** Another large island - Harris Island - forks the river shortly below Newton Island. The main channel flows down the left fork. Meanwhile, down the slightly more narrow right fork, the Kickapoo River enters from river right, just past the mouth of a slough. Dense bottomland forest covers the north bank. The Wauzeka Boat Landing is about a mile upstream the Kickapoo River, and makes for an excellent alternate put-in.

Another large, unnamed island follows Harris Island, then the river flows past a high ridge on the south bank, while a dense bottomland forest canopies the north bank. Several streams enter the river along with numerous sloughs over the next few miles, mainly from river right. As the Wisconsin River approaches a long left bend, tall hills are visible in the distance to the northwest. There tends to be fewer sandbars in this stretch compared to the segments upriver.

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- 11.1 Mile Millville Landing River:** County Highway C briefly lies on the left shore along the base of the first of two tall scenic bluffs that tower over the river near the end of a long straight stretch. A large wooded island forks the river in front of the bluffs, above Millville Landing. Take the left fork to reach the landing, which sits in the mouth of Dutch Hollow Creek. Another, larger island (Hacklin Island) splits the river immediately after the first, forming a narrow, diagonal channel. If you're not using the landing, consider going down the more narrow right fork where you can explore this narrow channel. Highway C runs next to the river for a short distance below the landing. Small wooded islands become more numerous as you continue downriver. **Shuttle:** On Highway C, west of Millville, and east of Highway 18, the landing entrance is on the north side of the road. This is an excellent developed landing with a large, shaded picnic area. Trailer ramp, pier, trailer turnaround, parking area, shaded picnic area, picnic table, grill, pit toilets.
- 9.2 Mile Railroad Tracks** The Wisconsin Western Railroad borders the river on top of the steep, right bank for about a mile. Dense bottomland forest covers the low left bank. The river flows past frequent swamp and bottomland forest throughout this stretch. A series of long, narrow islands begin shortly before the railroad tracks angle northwest, away from the river.
- 5.8 Mile Bridgeport Landing (North), Highway 18 Bridge River:** The span of the Highway 18 bridge looms ahead as you pass the last of several small wooded islands. The landing is on river left, near the base of the bridge on the upriver side. **Shuttle:** On Highway 18, south of the bridge, the landing entrance is on the west side of the road. Trailer ramp, trailer turnaround, large paved parking area.

Driving Directions (Google Maps)



Woodman Landing



Millville Landing



Bridgeport Landing (North)

GPS - NAD83 / WGS84

Woodman Landing	43.07699,-90.84597
Newton Island	43.07557,-90.85887
Harris Island	43.07493,-90.88042
Wauzeka Landing	43.08467,-90.87898
Millville Landing	43.03505,-90.96091
Bridgeport Landing North	43.00121,-91.05195
Bridgeport Landing South	42.99679,-91.04956
Mississippi River Confluence	42.98828,-91.15688
Wyalusing SP Landing	42.97648,-91.13814