



A Bus Driver's Guide to the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area Sites



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This guide is intended for those of you who drive buses, vans or shuttle vehicles for commercial companies with Special Use Agreements (SUA's) within the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area (AHRA). Its purpose is to familiarize drivers with those sites utilized by commercial companies so that you will be aware of the rules and configurations of those sites, making life easier for you and other site users too. It is important to remember that many visitors use these sites and common courtesy is a must if things are to run smoothly for all.

The sites included are arranged from upstream to downstream, beginning with Granite and ending with River Station in Canon City.

GRANITE: This small AHRA site off U.S. Highway 24 at Chaffee County Road 396 in Granite is located on river left just across the river using the one-lane bridge to access the parking/unloading area. You may want to back into the parking area to facilitate unloading. If you leave your vehicle at the site do not park in such a way that others cannot access the boat ramp.

THE NUMBERS: After turning off of U.S. Highway 24 at mile marker 199.75, it is approximately one mile to the Numbers launch site. It is a narrow, bumpy mostly one-lane dirt road that ends in a small turn-around that was NOT DESIGNED FOR LARGE BUSES. Space at the turn-around is limited and it is important that commercial rigs unload quickly and leave as soon as possible.

No parking on the access road from U.S. Highway 24 to the Numbers launch site including the area near Scott's Bridge. (the entire road is on private property)

The Boat Ramp load and unload zone is for private boaters only. Commercial trips should load/unload on the south side of the short posts.

The time limit is 15 minutes (the 15 minute time limit applies to all of AHRA's sites except Salt Lick where the limit is 10 minutes). Staging/safety talks should take place on the north side of the short posts at the end of the driveway or in the vehicle on the way to the launch site. There is no vehicle access to the boat slide which is at the north end of the boat walk. Remember, there are also private boaters using this site and parking is limited. Parking of vehicles with trailers should take place to the south side of the turn-around in the downstream parking area. Be aware of the fact that you may have to pull over at some point to allow another vehicle to pass you on the road in or out. Try to pick a spot that has been used before so as to save on the vegetation alongside the road.

Note: The Numbers Boat Ramp is a boat slide with steps (no vehicles/trailers).

RAILROAD BRIDGE: Accessed off Chaffee County Road 371 north of Buena Vista, this site is home not only to a put-in/take-out boat ramp that is used by commercial rafting companies and private boaters, but is also an AHRA campground. Because of this, it can be a very busy place with lots of boaters, anglers, bikers, campers, and others so be very cautious when driving in the site.

Commercial buses/vans must obey the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramp. Parking of vehicles with trailers should take place at the east side of the large parking area, where it is signed. Be aware that C.R. 371 between Railroad Bridge and the Otero Pump Station Bridge is a narrow and dangerous road with few pullouts. Obey the posted speed limits.

Note: The Railroad Bridge Boat Ramp is a walk-up/walk-down boat ramp (no vehicles/trailers).

BUENA VISTA BOAT RAMP: Located at the east end of Main Street in Buena Vista, the road to the boat ramp is one way, parking is tight and the loading/unloading of boats, gear, and people needs to be done quickly. Staging should take place on the upper level and not on the boat ramp. Safety talks should also be conducted there. Like Railroad Bridge this is a very busy place. Vehicles, when finished unloading should, park in spaces provided away from the ramp on the upper level in the main parking lot.

FISHERMAN'S BRIDGE: This can be a very busy site and it is important that drivers heed the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramps above the top of the two boat ramp staircases. Traffic is one-way at the off-loading areas and drivers should park on the right, allowing other traffic to flow past on the left. Parking of commercial rigs is provided for on the east side of the large parking lot and it is recommended that drivers utilize that lot after dropping off their guests and boating gear if they want to wait until their group launches. This enables other site users to then utilize the unloading areas without having to wait. The boat ramps are walk-down with boat slides but no vehicle access.

Note: The Fisherman's Bridge Boat Ramp is a boat slide with steps (no vehicles/trailers).

RUBY MOUNTAIN: Commercial companies' use of Ruby Mountain is limited and occurs only when allowed by the AHRA Park Manager, who will make a decision when the Wellsville gauge falls below 700 CFS (Cubic Feet Per Second). When the AHRA notifies the outfitters that commercial use of Ruby Mountain is permitted, it is important for all companies to follow the rules as outlined: Please see page 7 of the 2015 AHRA Special Use Agreement, Boating Rider, and Site Specific Requirements for Ruby Mountain.

HECLA JUNCTION: Hecla is one very busy place. Private boaters, commercial boaters, campers, anglers, picnickers, and others use the site. Cooperation with one another is imperative. Because of the large numbers of users the following are important to you, the driver:

1. **Strictly adhere to the posted speed limit signs:** Chaffee County Road 194 from US Highway 285 to the Hecla fee panel has a speed limit of 25 MPH and is patrolled by Chaffee County Deputies. From the Hecla Entrance Fee Panel to the beach area and beyond is 15 MPH.

2. When you get to the beach area/parking you need to learn which parking locations are for buses with trailers, vans with trailers, and which are for vehicles without trailers. Make sure you know where you're supposed to be parking. Do not park on the beach itself until your group is in sight. It is important that drivers heed the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramps. NOTE: The downstream beach is intended for raft deflating, loading and unloading, and is not to be used by buses.
3. When you see your group of rafts approaching, back your vehicle/trailer to the most downstream opening on the main beach. Don't park in the middle of the beach unless that is all that is available. Also, it is important that you back straight in. If you angle your rig it limits the number of other vehicles that can access the beach.
4. Many of the commercial guests are not cognizant of the dangers surrounding them at the beach. They do not pay attention to vehicles backing up or pulling out. It is imperative that you the driver use EXTREME CAUTION when moving your vehicle at the site. If there is not a ranger to help you in backing to the beach, get one of your guides to help keep customers out of the way.
5. Caution should also be used when guides are throwing boats up onto other boats on a trailer. Sometimes those boats fall off onto the other side of the trailer. We don't want anyone to be hit with a flying boat so it's imperative that you check to see that no one is in danger of being hit. The same can be said of the throwing of ropes or straps that are used to hold the rafts to the trailer.
6. The more you allow your guests to stand around outside the buses, the greater the chance of an accident. Therefore, have your guests board your vehicle(s) after they exit the rafts. That is much safer than allowing them to mill around the busy beach dodging vehicles and trailers.

STONE BRIDGE: Stone Bridge is another busy take-out spot but things flow well if drivers heed the following:

1. All commercial and private vehicles should be parked in the upper parking lot until the boat trip is seen approaching the beach area. At that time you may drive down to the lower level to pick up your group. At no time should you park on the driveway of the beach area. Nor should you park at the beach to await your group. It is important that drivers heed the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramps. Space is limited at Stone Bridge and all it takes to cause a jam is one bus with trailer improperly parked, so stay up top until you see your group approaching the beach.
2. When you drive down to pick up your group, drive to the most downstream position available at the beach and back up as close to the water as possible. Please park at a 30-degree angle with your trailer parked more

upstream than your bus/van. This facilitates other vehicle parking and exiting of the site. This allows subsequent buses to park, pick up their trips and/or drive past you easily.

3. Per your SUA, commercial vehicles are not allowed to drive on the county road to access the beach area, but instead must follow the Stone Bridge signs and use the AHRA site road.

BIG BEND: This site, on Chaffee County Road 165 just off U.S. 285, though not as busy as Stone Bridge, does get commercial and private boater use. Keep in mind that Chaffee County Road 165 bisects the site. It is important that you use the parking area for your bus or van, not the county road if you are leaving the vehicle at the site. Do not park on the county road to load or unload boats as there is ample room at the ramp for you to back down. Another option is to unload the boats at the drive-through and then to carry them to the water.

SALIDA BOAT RAMP: This can be a very busy spot with lots of private boaters using the site. Space is limited and only one vehicle/trailer can use the ramp at a time. Make this one a quick in and out. No dallying. Off-load and then be on your way. Again, safety is an issue – there are lots of young people and dogs running around. Be careful, use someone to guide you back to the water, and do it all with caution.

SALIDA EAST LAUNCH SITE: This particular site does not get as much commercial use as some of the others, but should you want to launch or take out here be aware that it is a small boat ramp. Obey the time-line established by the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramp. Please don't block the entry/exit road or the turn-around loop.

RINCON: Located 10 miles east of Salida, Rincon is used as a take-out and a launch site. It is accessed off U.S. Hwy. 50 and the boat ramp is located on the upstream end of the site. This is a day-use area as well as a campground and can be a very busy place so plan to "load and go!" as the ramp holds only one rig at a time. Also remember to obey the 15 MPH speed limit signs – You will be driving through a campground and day-use area used by a lot of people for fishing, picnicking, boating, and related activities. Use caution. Parking for vehicles with trailers is limited; do not park in the turn-arounds. If the parking lot is full, you can park across U.S. Highway 50, in the large pull-out on the west side of the highway.

VALLIE BRIDGE: Located just off U.S. Hwy. 50 on Fremont County road 45, Vallie Bridge is used as both a put-in and take-out and has a small boat ramp. Heed the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramp. If leaving a vehicle/trailer there park so you don't block access to the ramp, bathrooms, etc. This site gets a lot of day-use by anglers, picnickers, and others so please be careful backing up and pulling out. Please enter the day-use site by the self service fee station and exit on upstream side of the restrooms.

It should be noted that across Fremont County Road 45 from Vallie Bridge Day-use area is a "walk-in/boat-in" campground that has an access road for use by

outfitters that may need to drop off or pick up camping gear and/or people. This road is accessed off County Road 45 and has a turn-around at the campground that will accommodate vans with trailers but not buses. There is no parking available at the campground so vehicles should depart as soon as the loading/unloading has taken place in the turn-around. When finished unloading your equipment park in the nearby parking area. If you are waiting for your trip to arrive, or the vehicle is staying overnight because of campground use the vehicle must be parked in the parking area near the campground.

TRADING POST: This site is located on U.S. Highway 50 at milepost 245, approximately one mile west of Cotopaxi. The boat ramp is on the upstream end of the site and is large enough for one vehicle/trailer at a time. Please be aware of the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramp. Vehicles should not be left parked in such a way as to block access to the ramp or impede traffic through the site. A "Vehicles With Trailers" parallel parking area is provided on the south side of the roadway.

LONE PINE: Located approximately three miles east of Cotopaxi, Lone Pine has a boat ramp on the downstream and upstream ends. The upstream ramp is the largest and is easily accessible by both vans with trailers and buses with trailers. At the upstream ramp it is possible to either back your vehicle/trailer down the ramp or to pull along side of the ramp and unload the boats off to the side and then down the ramp to the river. Don't forget: The 15 minutes load/unload time rule is in effect here.

Note: The downstream Lone Pine Boat Ramp is a walk-up/walk-down boat ramp (no vehicles/trailers).

TEXAS CREEK: Access to the Texas Creek boat ramp is gained by crossing the one-lane bridge since the boat ramp is on river left just upstream of the bridge. Vans with trailers can turn left after crossing the bridge, and proceed to the ramp. NOTE: The boat ramp is in a natural wash and has loose gravel and sand. The 15-minute rule is in effect here. After crossing the bridge large buses will have to turn right into the parking area provided and then back up towards the boat ramp, as not enough room exists for them to turn around at the ramp.

PINNACLE ROCK: There are two boat ramps at Pinnacle Rock. One is located at the upstream end of the site; the other is at the downstream end of the site. Those wishing to back their vehicles and trailers close to the water should utilize the upstream ramp. Drivers should turn left after entering Pinnacle Rock and proceed to the far upstream end where it is possible to pull forward and then back down the ramp to the water's edge. This can be a very busy ramp and it is important for drivers to "scout" the ramp to assess the available space. If the ramp is crowded and no room exists for another vehicle, drivers should park on the right side of the road and wait until space becomes available. When that occurs, pull forward and then carefully back down the ramp, using the help of a river guide (or ranger) to do so. Remember that a lot of people are not paying attention to the vehicles and trailers that are moving around them and EXTREME CAUTION is needed. When it is possible, back your vehicle so that you are off to the side and not in the middle. This will facilitate parking for those who follow

you. Drivers should immediately leave the ramp area as soon as the unloading of passengers and boating gear is completed. Heed the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs posted at the boat ramps. Those groups not wanting to back up to the water's edge will find the downstream ramp area provides plenty of room for vehicles, people, and boating gear.

Note: The downstream Pinnacle Rock Boat Ramp is a walk-up/walk-down boat ramp (no vehicles/trailers).

DRIVERS WHO FOLLOW THEIR TRIPS DOWN STREAM: After their trip is underway, some drivers follow that trip as it travels downstream. One pull-off along the highway that drivers like to stop at to watch boat traffic is called "Three Rocks". There is no access to the "Three Rocks" pull-off from the eastbound traffic lane of Highway 50 as it has a double yellow line at that point. Eastbound drivers wishing to stop at "Three Rocks" must proceed to the Five Points Campground where they may circle through that site **SLOWLY** and then turn left back onto U.S. 50, proceeding west to "Three Rocks". **Note: EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED WHEN CIRCLING THROUGH THE CAMPGROUND** because of dust, children, pets, etc. When leaving "Three Rocks", proceed west on U.S. 50 to Pinnacle Rock for turning around to head east again. The "Three Rocks" pull-off is narrow with a lot of traffic passing by. **DO NOT CROSS THE DOUBLE YELLOW LINES** to park at "Three Rocks". This is an important safety issue and the Colorado State Patrol will cite you for parking on the wrong side of the highway at this site and others along Hwy 50 in Big Horn Sheep Canyon.

SALT LICK. This site is primarily a launch site used as an alternative to Pinnacle Rock when time or water level is a factor. It is entered by **westbound traffic on U.S. 50 only**. When eastbound on U.S. 50 vehicles are not allowed to cross the double yellow lines to enter the site. Instead drive to the Five Points Campground and **drive slowly** through the campground, turn left onto Highway 50 and proceed to Salt Lick.

Note: The Salt Lick Boat Ramp is a walk-up/walk-down boat ramp (no vehicles/trailers).

Drivers are required to pull as far west (upriver) as possible when parking here. If you park at the east end or in the middle when space is available at the far end you only block others from using the site for their launches. Please note that **the time limit here is 10 minutes for unloading** your boat trip. Have your safety talk on the bus ride to Salt Lick and "Unload and Go!" After leaving the site proceed to Pinnacle Rock for your turn-around to head east on U.S. 50 in order to follow your raft trip downstream.

FIVE POINTS. Commercial river access at the Five Points Recreation Site day-use side is prohibited. Commercial river access at the Five Points Campground (Section 4b) Highway 50 is authorized. Access to the river is via the concrete walkway that passes under the highway.

SPIKEBUCK. If your company is using Spikebuck to launch trips, please remember that the launch site is small and able to accommodate only one trip at a time. Park, unload boats and passengers, and move your vehicle and trailer out of the way. Heed the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs which are posted at the boat ramp. **Please use the established boat ramp.** People have been using other “Launch sites” upstream of the boat ramp and are creating resource damage to the riparian area. Please help us take care of the riverbank. There is plenty of room nearby for parking as you await your trip’s departure.

PARKDALE: Parkdale can be a very busy place, especially at lunch times and later. The following guidelines will enable you to use this site with a minimum of hassle:

1. When waiting for your trip to come in ALWAYS PARK IN THE UPPER PARKING LOT until your rafting group is nearing the beach.
2. When your raft trip comes in it should go to the most downstream opening on the beach. **Make sure your trip leader/guides understand this.**
3. Drive slowly down the road to the beach to avoid raising dust. Often there are people eating lunch at the picnic tables, and a dust cloud caused by a bus/van and trailer coming down the road too fast detracts from the customers’ rafting experience.
4. When bringing a trip to Parkdale for a launch always drive to the most downstream spot on the beach.
5. Always use a helper to back up to the beach. This is especially important during peak times at this site.
6. Observe the BOAT RAMP -15 MINUTE - LOAD/UNLOAD signs which are posted at the boat ramp.
7. Unloading and loading lunches still fall into the 15 minute boat ramp limitations.

PINK HOUSE: To access this site, turn south off of Hwy. 50 onto S. 1st Street in the western outskirts of Canon City, crossing the Arkansas River. Immediately after crossing the river, turn right on Riverside Drive. In just under a mile, the Pink House site will be straight ahead at the upstream end of Riverside Drive. This site will accommodate large buses with trailers, and buses can pull through and around from the bus staging area, much like the system used at Salt Lick. The best way to use the area is for buses and privates to park as far downstream as space is available, starting at the lowest ramp downstream on the furthest downstream edge of the ramp, with subsequent vehicles just upstream. Buses should park in the bus parking area in the middle of the site, just upstream of the three-panel entrance sign and generally facing downstream. Drivers will pull up from the beach to allow a bus to circle from upstream to downstream between the river and the back of parked trailers to fill the farthest open spot. No backing

should be necessary. Private vehicles should park on the left side along the irrigation ditch at the parking blocks just downstream of the three-panel sign. Buses are not allowed to back down the ramp; instead, stage at the top of the ramp and carry gear to/from bus. Boat ramp load/unload time restriction is 15 minutes. This area is open to commercial and private traffic, so please respect all users. Drivers should obey the speed limits on Riverside Drive.

CANON CITY RIVER STATION TAKEOUT: This site, which belongs to Canon City, and managed by AHRA is accessed by turning south from U.S. 50 onto Fourth Street, driving over the railroad tracks, under the overpass, and into the main parking area across from the R.R. Station. Entry into the parking area should be from the east, or far end of the lot. There are two boat ramps and raft trips may use either ramp. Parking of buses and trailers should be done in a manner that accommodates as many vehicles/trailers as possible and at no time should any part of any vehicle over-hang the concrete sidewalk/trail.

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The following information is a consolidation of Terms, Conditions and Limitations from the AHRA Special Use Agreement that apply to Outfitter vehicles and operation.

1. Contractor Vehicle Decals
 - a. AHRA will issue six (6) Contractor vehicle decals to each Contractor to be utilized only within the AHRA. Each decal will have the company name and Agreement number displayed. Contractor vehicle decals are to be utilized only for circumstances that require the use of a vehicle not permanently marked with the Contractor's name and/or logo. (For example, personal vehicles utilized within the AHRA commercial operation by fishing guides and/or photographers). Additional Vehicle Decals for non-permanently marked commercial vehicles are available upon request. (Please see 1.d.3 on page 5 for additional information regarding Contractor owned and non-owned vehicles).
 - b. Contractor vehicle decals may only be used by the Contractor or any agent or employee of the Contractor while conducting commercial operations within the AHRA. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that all Contractor vehicle decals are used only for specified Special Use Agreement uses. Noncommercial use or misuse of the vehicle decal will result in the confiscation of the decals and may result in the required return of all current year Contractor vehicle decals that have been issued to the particular Contractor.

- c. Contractor vehicle decals may be used on commercial vans, busses and motor coaches chartered by or belonging to clients of the Contractors as long as those vehicles are being used as an integral part of the trip (i.e. both dropping off and picking up clients) and are not left parked at an AHRA site without a driver. While those vehicles are within an AHRA site, that vehicle and the driver are acting as an agent of the Contractor and are subject to all of the rules and regulations contained in the SUA, associated Rider(s), and State and Federal Laws/Regulations.
- d. Contractor vehicle decals cannot be used by clients in private vehicles for parking at AHRA sites. Decals used in this manner will be confiscated and may result in the required return of all current year Contractor vehicle decals that have been issued to the particular Contractor. All client vehicles entering AHRA sites requiring a park pass are required to have a valid park pass.
- e. All Contractor vehicle decals, including floater passes, must be plainly visible through the front windshield on the lower passenger side.

2. Parking

- a. No vehicle parking is allowed at any boat ramp within the AHRA unless the trip is loading or launching.
- b. Parking elsewhere along the river should be in highway pullouts, not on the highway shoulder so as not to impede traffic.
- c. No vehicle shall be parked in AHRA sites such that it impedes the flow of traffic in any way.

3. Driver Requirements

The Contractor must maintain documentation of the following for each Driver utilized for transporting vehicles:

- a. Drivers must be at least 18 years of age and must possess a valid Driver's License.
- b. Drivers must hold the appropriate license to transport the type of vehicle to be moved. For example, a driver must hold a valid Commercial Drivers License with a passenger endorsement in order to move a commercial bus.

Such documentation shall be maintained as referenced in the Special Use Agreement Condition 5.a.1) (page 10).

4. Site Specific Requirements

- a. RUBY MOUNTAIN - Use of Ruby Mountain by all Contractors is prohibited except under the following conditions:

- 1) Commercial trips may stage (offload boats and people), conduct safety talks, top-off, etc. in the vehicle parking lot upstream of the boat ramp. Commercial trips may also stage, conduct safety talks, top-off, etc. on the boat ramp; no more than fifteen minutes is allowed for this activity.
- 2) Commercial vehicles may only be at Ruby Mountain long enough to stage and must exit as soon as possible. No parking of commercial vehicles or trailers is allowed; except shuttle vehicles that will be allowed a one hour parking limit.
- 3) The Contractor, any of the Contractor's agents, employees, or clients may not *walk through campsites*.
- 4) All launches and take-outs must be conducted from the boat ramp.
- 5) Contractors who meet clients at AHRA sites should plan to rendezvous with those clients at Fisherman's Bridge, not Ruby Mountain. Contractors may not meet clients at the Ruby Mountain Recreation Site unless Ruby Mountain Recreation Site ADA Permission has been granted. Contractors may request Ruby Mountain ADA Permission by sending an email to the AHRA Rationing & Agreement Coordinator or the AHRA Assistant Rationing & Agreement Coordinator. Permission must be received via email from AHRA prior to Ruby Mountain ADA use.
- 6) All commercial vehicles must strictly adhere to posted speed limits and yield to oncoming traffic when entering and exiting the Ruby Mountain Recreation Site.
- 7) All current commercial launch windows remain in effect.
- 8) Contractors may utilize the Ruby Mountain Recreation Site for adding special population clients to trips that have launched upstream. Special populations refer to persons having a disability as defined in the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. Contractors may obtain Ruby Mountain ADA Permission from the AHRA Rationing & Agreement Coordinator or the AHRA Assistant Rationing & Agreement Coordinator. Permission must be received via email from AHRA prior to Ruby Mountain ADA use.
- 9) Float Fishing Contractors may also be allowed to use Ruby Mountain as a take-out under the following conditions:
- 10) Contractors must obtain Ruby Mountain Float Fishing Take-Out permission by sending an email to the AHRA Rationing & Agreement Coordinator or the Assistant AHRA Rationing &

Agreement Coordinator. Permission must be received via email from AHRA prior to Ruby Mountain Float Fishing use.

- 11) A maximum of ten (10) boats per day is allowed to take-out at Ruby Mountain.
 - 12) Weekends and holidays are excluded from this use exception during the "in season" (May 15 – Sept 7).
 - 13) Weekends and holidays are not excluded from this use exception during the "off-season" (Sept 8 – May 14).
 - 14) A maximum of two (2) boats per trip is allowed to take-out.
 - 15) Each Contractor may be granted authorization for only four (4) boats per day.
 - 16) No commercial Float Fishing trip will be allowed to take-out prior to 12:00 p.m. or later than 6:00 p.m. at the Ruby Mountain Boat Ramp (Recreation Site).
 - 17) Only vans and SUV / Truck type vehicles may be used to take-out commercial float fishing trips (no bus use is allowed).
 - 18) No more than one (1) commercial vehicle per company is allowed to park in the Ruby Mountain Recreation Site at any one time and parking is restricted to the large parking lot.
 - 19) Ruby Mountain take-out permissions must be used or placed back in the pool 72 hours prior to the end of the day for which the permission was granted.
- b. **Contractors** need to be aware of flash flood dangers, especially at Chalk Creek, Badger Creek, Bernard Creek and Texas Creek.
 - c. **VALLIE BRIDGE** - Contractors may utilize the Vallie Bridge Campground for boat-in or walk-in camping. Contractor vehicles may be driven into the Vallie Bridge Campground circle drive for loading and unloading gear only. Vehicles left onsite must be parked upstream in the designated parking area.
 - d. **FIVE POINTS** - Commercial river access at the Five Points Day-Use Recreation Site (Section 4b) is prohibited.
 - e. **FIVE POINTS Campground** - Commercial river access at the Five Points Campground (Section 4b) south of Highway 50 is authorized. Access to the river is authorized via the walkway underpass.
 - f. **OLD PARKDALE** - Commercial river access at the Old Parkdale site (Section 4b) is prohibited.

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Happy driving and we'll see you on the river.