

RED RIVER OF THE NORTH *A Canoe and Boating Guide*



RED RIVER ROUTE DESCRIPTION
 Except during floods, the Red River of the North is slow-moving and picturesque with its tree-covered banks and frequent wildlife sightings. It is serene and quiet even as the Red passes through cities. Reminders of the past are found in the muddy banks where bison bones occasionally are exposed. These muddy banks may make access difficult. There are no rapids except at some of the dams. Low flows expose rocks and snags creating hazards for motors and occasionally block the channel.

Note: River miles are counted beginning at the mouth of the Red River at Lake Winnipeg, Manitoba, and ending at Breckenridge, Minn., according to a system developed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Right (R) and left (L) refer to right and left bank, respectively, when facing downstream.

(548.7) **Headwaters Park**. 100 Nebraska Avenue, Breckenridge, Minn. Concrete plank boat ramp with parking lot, Headwaters Monument, Friendship sculpture, interpretive kiosk, fishing pier, picnic shelter. Confluence of Bois de Sioux and Otter Tail Rivers which is navigable by canoe for about 160 miles. Connected to Welles Memorial Park by walking bridge.

(548.7) **Welles Memorial Park and Fairgrounds**. Picnic shelter, 5 primitive campsites, 2 campsites with electricity, parking, fire ring with free wood, tables, flush toilets, historic cabin and school house.

(548.6) **Overflow (R)**. Otter Tail River overflows into the Red River at high flows.

(547.7) **Chahinkapa Campground (L)**. 8 trailer sites with hook-ups, tent sites, showers, restrooms, shelters, trails, zoo, golf course, fishing pier, shore fishing, sewer dump, playground and carousel.

(547.7) **Golf Course Pedestrian Bridge**.

(546.4) **Kidder Dam**. Retrofitted with rock slopeway, portage right.

(546.3) **Kidder Recreation Area (L)**. Concrete boat ramp with adjacent dock, 8 trailer sites with electrical and water hookups, tent areas, showers, restrooms, picnic shelters, fishing pier, shore fishing, fish cleaning station, sewer dump and world's largest catfish.

(536.3) **Brushvale Bridge Recreation Area (L)**. Concrete boat ramp, primitive camping, no facilities, shore fishing.

(536.3) **Lloyd's Park (R)**. Picnic area, shore fishing, monument.

(523.2) **Abercrombie, ND (L) and Fort Abercrombie (L)**. Concrete boat ramp, parking, historic site, museum, picnic area, shore fishing, primitive camping, self-contained RVs allowed. Short walk to telephone, restaurant and grocery store. www.state.nd.us/hist

(503) **Wolverton, MN (R)**. Proposed carry-in canoe access and primitive campground.

(503) **Wolverton City Campground (R)**. Located approximately 1 mile from river. 4 campsites with water, sewer, electricity, picnic tables, tenting areas, shelter, seasonal restrooms available at nearby baseball diamond.

(496.5) **Christine Dam**. Dangerous lowhead dam. NO IDENTIFIED PORTAGE.

(482.7) **Hickson Dam**. Dangerous lowhead dam. NO IDENTIFIED PORTAGE.

(462) **Iwen Park/Convent Landing (L)**. Concrete boat ramp, parking, chemical toilet seasonal.

(458.1) **Fargo South Dam**. Retrofitted with rock slopeway, portage left.

(455) **Lindenwood Park (L)**. Picnic shelters, tent and trailer sites with hookups, playgrounds, restrooms, bicycle rental, trails, and telephone.

(454.2) **Lindenwood/Gooseberry Park Pedestrian Bridge**. Seasonal.

(454) **Lindenwood Park (L)**. Carry-in canoe access.

(454.2) **Lindenwood Park (L)**. Carry-in canoe access.

(452.4) **Midtown Dam Upstream Boat Ramp (L)**. Parking.

(452.3) **Floating Pedestrian Bridge**. Seasonal. Portage Left.

(452.2) **Fargo Midtown Dam**. Retrofitted with rock slopeway. Portage left.

(452) **Midtown Dam Downstream Boat Ramp (L)**. Parking.

(451.4) **Tour Boat Landing (R)**. Carry-in canoe access, ADA ramp, canoe/kayak rental, tour boat, parking, trails, interpretive kiosk, interpretive center, museum, restrooms.

(451.3) **Minnesota's Largest Peach Leaf Willow Tree**.

(450.5) **Oak Grove/Memorial Park Pedestrian Bridge**. Seasonal.

(449.2) **Mickelson Field (L)**. Canoe access south of toll bridge.

(449) **Private Toll Bridge**. Minnesota and North Dakota's only privately owned toll bridge.

(448.9) **Fargo North Dam**. Retrofitted with rock slopeway, no identified portage.

(445.7) **MB Johnson Park (R)**. Twin concrete boat ramps, parking, chemical toilets seasonal, picnic shelter, playground, nature trail, interpretive signage, camping may be available with previous permission from Moorhead Parks Department.

(427.5) **Catch Big Cats Guide Service (L)**. Private catfish guiding and lodging.

(417) **Hudson's Bay Fur Trading Post Park (R)**. Not open to public.

(415.9) **Old Georgetown**. Interpretive kiosk, carry-in access in right of way, parking on access road to Hudson's Bay Fur Trading Post Park.

Map Key

540 River Mile	Dam	Hospital	Interstate Highway
Carry-in Access	Picnic Area	Shore Fishing	U.S. Highway
Boat Ramp	Interpretive Site	Fishing Pier	State Highway
Campground	Historic Site	Outfitter	County Road or Street
Primitive Campsite	Restrooms	Lodging	

