

# FLOATER'S GUIDE



Welcome to the Illinois River, one of Oklahoma's premier water resources. We at the GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations hope you enjoy the many recreational opportunities the river area has to offer.

## FEES

Visitors with their own kayak, canoe, raft, inner tube, or other flotation device need a Private Float Permit.

- Day use permits (wristband dated for the day of your trip) are \$1 per device per day and can be purchased ahead of time. They can be purchased at: GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations Office, Illinois River Store, Sparrow Hawk Camp, Hanging Rock Camp, or from GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations Police.
- Annual use permits are \$10 per device and are good from January—December. They are decals to be affixed to the front right-hand side of your vessel. Annual permits can be purchased at the GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations Office.

## PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS

GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations maintained access areas can be used for picnicking, fishing, swimming, floating and camping.

- Camping is \$12 per night. This fee includes one site and one vehicle. Additional vehicles are \$4.
- One RV spot available, electric only (110 volt, 20 amp), at Round Hollow Public Access Area, \$32 per night.

Fees are collected on site by GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations.

Several access areas are alcohol-free, meaning alcohol cannot be consumed in the area. These areas are marked on the enclosed map.

Please help the GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations keep these areas clean and safe so others can enjoy the access area.

## ILLINOIS RIVER INFORMATION

Floaters and anglers can check water levels at the following web sites:

- Illinois River Floatcam - <http://ok.water.usgs.gov/floatcam/>
- Watts Gage - <http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=tsa&gage=wto2>
- Flint Creek Gage - <http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=tsa&gage=knso2>
- Tahlequah Gage - <http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=tsa&gage=talo2>
- Barren Fork Creek/Eldon - <http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=tsa&gage=eldo2>

For current fishing regulations:

Visit the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation's (ODWC), [www.wildlifedepartment.com](http://www.wildlifedepartment.com).

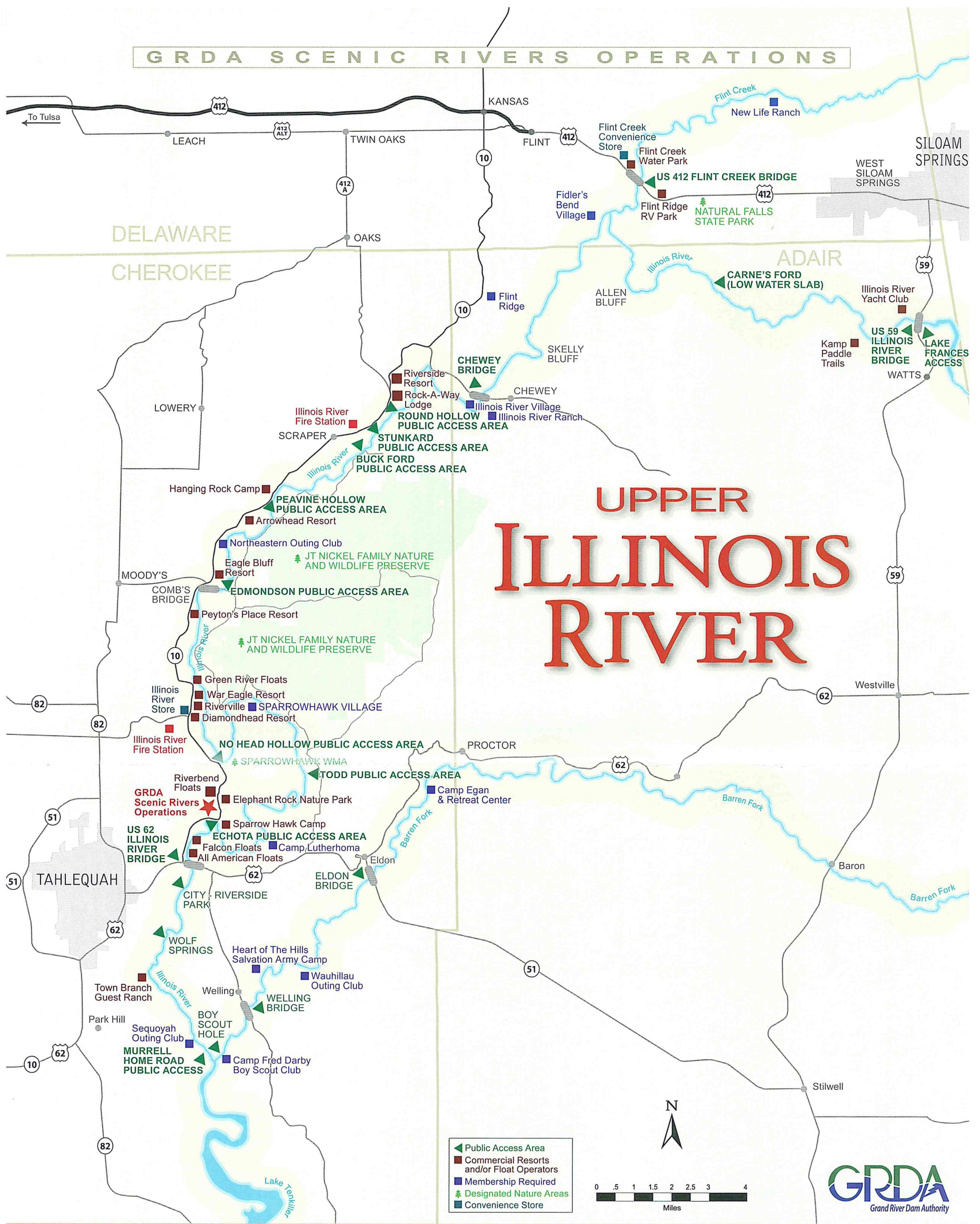
## RIVER RULES

Please keep GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations rules in mind while visiting. Fines may be assessed for violations such as littering or possessing glass or styrofoam.

- Glass and styrofoam are prohibited on the river and gravel bars.
- Do not drive on gravel bars, streambeds or into the river.
- To minimize environmental damage to streambanks and gravel bars, do not tie flotation devices together.
- To prevent litter, ice chests should be secured by a strap to keep from spilling its contents and limited to 48 quarts or less. Free trash bags are available at commercial flotation device operations, GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations field staff and GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations Office.
- Jet skis, airboats, hovercrafts, and boats with motors over 10 hp are prohibited. ONLY during the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation (ODWC) authorized giggering season are motors up to 25 hp allowed.
- Children 12 and under are required to wear life jackets.
- Camping is allowed only in designated areas. No-camping areas are Edmondson, Buck Ford and Stunkard.
- No alcohol (distilled spirits), except 3.2% beer, is allowed on the river or GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations maintained access areas.



GRDA SCENIC RIVERS OPERATIONS



# UPPER ILLINOIS RIVER

## UPPER ILLINOIS RIVER PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS

The camping fee is \$12 a night per site. This fee includes one tent, one child's tent, and one vehicle for one night at one site. Additional vehicles are \$4 per night. All camping areas are primitive, meaning they have no water, electricity or showers. There is one electric site at Round Hollow. Electric hook-up is an additional \$20 per night. Please contact the GRDA Scenic Rivers Operations if you plan to use the electric site.

Round Hollow				No Alcohol Allowed
Stunkard				Day Use Only
Peavine				No Alcohol Allowed
Edmondson				Day Use Only
No Head Hollow				No Alcohol Allowed
Todd				No Alcohol Allowed
Echota				Commercial Use Prohibited

## RIVER MILEAGE (Public Access Areas Shown In Green)

0.0 State Line	32.4 <b>PEAVINE PUBLIC ACCESS</b>	53.2 <b>ECHOTA PUBLIC ACCESS</b>
2.7 <b>LAKE FRANCES DAM **</b>	32.5 Arrowhead Resort	53.4 Falcon Floats
3.1 <b>US HWY. 59 BRIDGE PUBLIC ACCESS **</b>	36.1 Combs Bridge	55.0 All American Floats
5.1 Illinois River Yacht Club	36.2 <b>EDMONDSON PUBLIC ACCESS</b>	55.1 <b>HIGHWAY 51/62 BRIDGE **</b>
10.4 <b>CARNES FORD PUBLIC ACCESS *</b>	36.5 Eagle Bluff Resort	55.3 <b>RIVERSIDE PARK PUBLIC ACCESS</b>
16.2 Flint Creek joins Illinois River	36.8 Peyton's Place	59.3 Town Branch Guest Ranch
16.3 Fidler's Bend	39.4 Green River Floats	59.3 Town Branch joins Illinois River
23.6 Chewey Bridge	39.8 War Eagle Resort	62.0 <b>MURRELL HOME RD. PUBLIC ACCESS</b>
27.5 Riverside Camp	39.9 Riverville	62.5 Barren Fork Creek joins Illinois River
27.7 <b>ROUND HOLLOW PUBLIC ACCESS **</b>	40.0 Diamondhead Resort	65.6 Horseshoe Bend
28.0 <b>STUNKARD PUBLIC ACCESS</b>	41.5 <b>NO HEAD HOLLOW PUBLIC ACCESS</b>	68.5 Carter's Landing - Tenkiller headwaters & reservoir
32.2 Hanging Rock Camp	47.0 <b>TODD PUBLIC ACCESS **</b>	
	50.0 Elephant Rock Nature Park	
	52.2 Sparrow Hawk Camp	

\* Dangerous during high water  
 \*\* No Alcohol Allowed

## OUTFITTERS



### All American Floats

17170 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
(918) 456-6949

[www.allamericanfloats.us](http://www.allamericanfloats.us)

### Arrowhead Resort

7704 HWY. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-1140

1-800-749-1140

[www.arrowheadresortok.com](http://www.arrowheadresortok.com)

### Diamondhead Resort

12081 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-4545

1-800-722-2411

[www.diamondheadresort.us](http://www.diamondheadresort.us)

### Eagle Bluff Resort

9800 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-3031

1-800-OK-RIVER

[www.eaglebluffresort.com](http://www.eaglebluffresort.com)

### Falcon Floats

16326 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
(918) 456-8058

1-800-OK-FLOAT

[www.illinoisriver.net](http://www.illinoisriver.net)

### Green River Floats

13063 N. Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-4867

918-456-1366

### Hanging Rock Camp

7453 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-3088

1-800-GO-RIVER

[www.hangingrockfloats.com](http://www.hangingrockfloats.com)

### Peyton's Place Resort

10298 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-3847

1-800-359-0866

[www.peytonsplace.com](http://www.peytonsplace.com)  
[reservations@peytonsplace.com](mailto:reservations@peytonsplace.com)

### Illinois River Yacht Club

Rt. 2 Box 1272  
Watts, Ok 74964  
479-549-2197

[donnamcreynolds1@yahoo.com](mailto:donnamcreynolds1@yahoo.com)

### Riverbend Floats

15693 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-708-6800

[Riverbendfloats@gmail.com](mailto:Riverbendfloats@gmail.com)

[www.riverbendfloats.com](http://www.riverbendfloats.com)

### Riverside Camp

5116 Hwy.10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-4787

1-800-749-CAMP (2267)

[www.riversideresortokla.com](http://www.riversideresortokla.com)

### Riverville

12689 Highway 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-2248

### Sparrow Hawk Camp

21985 N. Ben George Rd.  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-8371

[www.sparrowhawkcamp.com](http://www.sparrowhawkcamp.com)

### Town Branch Guest Ranch

P.O Box 368  
Park Hill, OK 74451  
918-431-7621

[hollyberry5@me.com](mailto:hollyberry5@me.com)

### War Eagle Resort

13020 N. Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-6272

1-800-722-3834

[www.wareagleresort.com](http://www.wareagleresort.com)



## OTHER SERVICES

### Flint Creek Waterpark, Camping

57176 S. 659 Rd  
Kansas, OK 74347

918-813-0488

*Waterslide, camping, RV park*

### Illinois River Store

11594 Hwy. 10  
Tahlequah, OK 74464  
918-456-2248

*Fishing & camping supplies, river information, fishing licenses*

### Natural Falls State Park

58035 S. 682 Rd.  
Colcord, OK 74338  
918-422-5802

*RV hook-ups, camping, hiking, playground, waterfall, covered shelter, event/meeting room*

### On the Fly

918-931-1052  
[www.onthefly-ok.com](http://www.onthefly-ok.com)

*Flyfishing instruction, outfitting, guide service, fishing for small mouth bass and trout*

### Arkansas 59 Canoeing

20466 AR HWY 59 S.  
Siloam Springs, AR 72761  
479-524-2223

*Canoeing, rafting, kayaking, camping, fishing*

## OUTFITTERS SERVICES

	Canoes	Rafts	Kayaks	Inner Tubes	Camping	Camping Hook-up/ RV Park	Motel	Cabins	Bunkhouse	Group Lodge	Meeting Room	Supplies	Food Service	Shuttle Private Canoes	Gameroom	Outdoor Activities	Bar	Showers	Pool and/or Waterslide	
Arrowhead Resort	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X							X	
Diamondhead Resort	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		X	
Eagle Bluff Resort	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X			X			X	
Green River Floats	X	X											X						X	
Hanging Rock Camp	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					X	X			X			X	
Peyton's Place Resort	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X			X			X	
Illinois River Yacht Club	X	X	X	X	X	X		X					X			X			X	
Riverbend Floats	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X			X	
Riverside Camp	X	X	X		X	X			X	X			X			X			X	
Sparrow Hawk Camp	X	X	X		X	X						X	X			X			X	
Town Branch Guest Ranch	X	X			X			X					X						X	
War Eagle Resort	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X			X	X

**FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 911**



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