

# State Line Boat Ramp

Lowndes County, Georgia

## Withlacoochee River

6461 Madison Hwy, Valdosta, GA 31601

30.637844, -83.311149



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### Downstream Water Levels:

Pinetta CR 150 USGS Gauge 02319000:

**52.5' (6.0')** lowest boatable before walking

**59' (12.5')** highest safe to not get lost

- Just downstream, **Old Horns Ferry Bridge**, built 1895, closed 1940
- 900 feet, left bank, **begin Withlacoochee East Conservation Area**, A Florida area, yet it starts in Lowndes County, Georgia
- 1000 feet, just past the first bend, unmarked, **GA-FL State Line**
- 1000 feet, left bank, **FL Withlacoochee East Conservation Area**
- 1/2 mile, right bank, first of many clumps of Japanese climbing fern, Exotic invasive *Lygodium japonicum*; spreads by roots and spores
- 2000 feet, **Welcome to Florida Shoals**, first of many
- 1 mile, first stretch of **WWALS Boomerang paddle race**
- 1.94 mile, left bank, **end Withlacoochee East Conservation Area**
- 2 miles, second stretch of **WWALS Boomerang paddle race**
- 3.25 miles, left bank, **Jumping Gully Creek**, crossed 1/2 mile upstream by the notorious **Sabal Trail fracked methane pipeline**
- 4.26 miles, right bank, **Begin Sullivan Tract**, Twin Rivers State Park
- 4.35 miles, **Sullivan Shoals**, first of a series
- 4.49 miles, left bank, **Begin Deese Tract**, Twin Rivers State Park
- 4.52 miles, right bank, **Sullivan Tract Creek**
- 4.54 miles, left bank, **End Deese Tract**, Twin Rivers State Park
- 4.56 miles, right bank, **Begin Second Parcel, Sullivan Tract**
- 200 feet upstream fr. CR 150 Bridge, left bank, **Deese Tract Creek**
- 5.35 miles, **CR 150 Bridge**

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### Downstream Take Out:

5.35 miles, 2.7 hours: **Sullivan Launch @ CR 150**, Madison County, FL

- Immediately downstream of the takeout on the right bank: **USGS Pinetta Gauge**
- 260 feet downstream from the CR 150 Bridge, on the left bank: **twisted steel cable remains of the Belleville Bridge**



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### Upstream Water Levels:

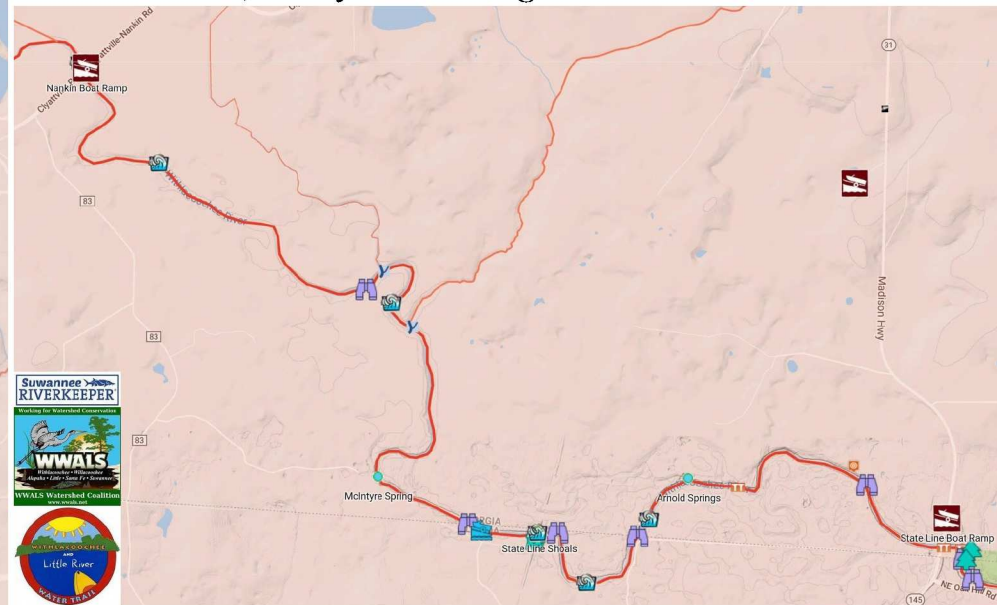
Quitman US 84 USGS Gauge 02318500:

**85.25' (1.8')** lowest boatable before walking

**94' (10.5')** highest safe to not get lost

Right and left bank as the river flows, so facing downstream.

- 0.7 miles, left bank: Halberdleaf Rosemallow, *Hibiscus laevis All.*, blooms for only one day.
- 0.8 miles, **Olympia Bend Shooting Range**; you'll hear it.
- 1.58 miles, **Old Clyattville Road Bridge** posts.
- 1.9 miles, **Arnold Springs**, left bank: three small springs adding up to second magnitude; private property inland.
- 3 miles, **Back to Georgia Shoals**, left bank Lowndes Co., right bank Brooks County, accessible by land only from Florida.
- 3.1 miles, **Tannin Shoals**, at southmost bend in Florida.
- 3.10 miles, right bank, **Four Freedoms Trail**
- 3.10 miles, wooden trestles in the river of **Valdosta Railway Bridge**, closed 1973
- 3.3 miles, **State Line Shoals**, biggest on this stretch.
- 3.6 miles, right bank, private **Pear Way Boat Ramp**
- 4.26 miles, right bank, **McIntyre Spring**, explored caverns 4,000 feet under Brooks County
- 7.8 miles, **River Bend Shoal**
- 8.9 miles, **Rocky Ford Bridge**



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### Upstream Take Out:

8.9 miles upstream to **Nankin Boat Ramp**,

6899 Clyattville-Nankin Rd, Valdosta, GA 31601

### Supporting This Boat Ramp:

