Suwannee



River Water Trail

Fargo Ramp

Clinch County, Georgia **Suwannee River**

30.681833, -82.560167





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Riverside Drive at US 441, Fargo, GA 31631

Emergency Management: Clinch Co., GA 912-487-3700; Hamilton Co., FL 386-792-6647; Columbia Co., FL 386-758-1125

Nice concrete ramp, good access road, plenty of parking. Downstream there are plenty of turtles, cypress, oaks, pines, some creeks, many white sand beaches, maybe a small shoal if the water is low enough, and no bridges for 25 river miles in Georgia and Florida.

Downstream:

- 0.01 miles, **US 441 Bridge.** The only road bridge over the Suwannee River between the Okefenokee Swamp in Georgia and Florida State Route 6.
- 0.14 miles, r. **US 441 Deadfalls.** Mass of deadfalls. Somebody sawed off deadfalls from the left bank for a narrow passage.
- 2.55 miles, Cypress Creek Island.
- 2.55 miles, 1., Cypress Creek, which drains much of southeast Okefenokee Swamp.
- 3.03 miles, r., **Suwanoochee Creek**, the border between Clinch and Echols Counties, Georgia.
- 4.21 miles, 1., Lunch Point Beach, a point good for swimming.
- 7.12 miles, 1., Little Swannee Creek drains much of the south side of the Okefenokee Swamp.
- 8.41miles, Rawls Camp Ferry site, according to a 1911 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers map.
- 8.56 miles, **Swimming Island Beach**, nice and sandy on an eyot.
- 11.05 miles, r, **Swimming Beach**, good for lunch and swimming.
- 11.51 miles, site of **Boney Bluff Ferry** (1870) and **Bridge** (1911).
- 14.21 miles, **GA-FL Line.** Echols County, GA, to Hamilton County, FL, r., and Columbia County, FL, l.
- 14.84 miles, r., **Toms Creek**, out of a narrow opening between bluffs after crossing Echols County, GA, and GA 94 to the river in Hamilton County, FL.
- 16.18 miles, **Blount's Ferry Site**, dating from before 1844, probably at least 1835.
- 19 miles, r., **Roline Boat Ramp**, for small boats only.

Upstream:

- 0.04 miles, r., closed Suwannee River Visitor Center.
- 0.17 miles, Norfolk Southern Railroad Bridge. The only RR bridge between the Swamp and White Springs, FL.
- 0.98 miles, Zig-Zag Deadfalls, still an impediment requiring zig-zagging back and forth.
- 2.53 miles, r., Suwannee River above Fargo Gauge, USGS 02314495.
- 3.28 miles, 1., **Reeves Landing**, one of many private landings. *Ask* for permission.
- 4.10 miles, r, **Jones Creek**, aka Tatum Creek. Its waters contrast with the red-yellow tannic acid Suwannee River, after the creek comes down all the way from Homerville.
- 5.88 miles, 1., Sweetwater Creek comes in slantwise from the left after descending from the Okefenokee Swamp to cross GA 177.
- 9.27 miles, r., Alligator Creek wanders in from the woods after coming down from the west edge of the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge.
- 14.17 miles, l., **Griffis Fish Camp Landing**, with reasonable fees for river access, campsites, or RV hookups. Call to reserve campsites or pavilions: 229-412-0558.



Preparing at Fargo Ramp, Photo: John S. Quarterman 2017-03-18

Water Levels: Fargo Gauge: lowest boatable 92.5, highest safe 100. **Right & left bank (r or l)** facing downstream.



