

GUIDE TO THE ROCK RIVER



PROVIDED BY: *THE ROCK RIVER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION*

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* Safety on the Rock River is our #1 concern.

ROCK RIVER

As shown on this map:

Width: Averages 350 feet

Depth: Varies

4 feet, plus, in channel

Islands: 1

Bridges: 9

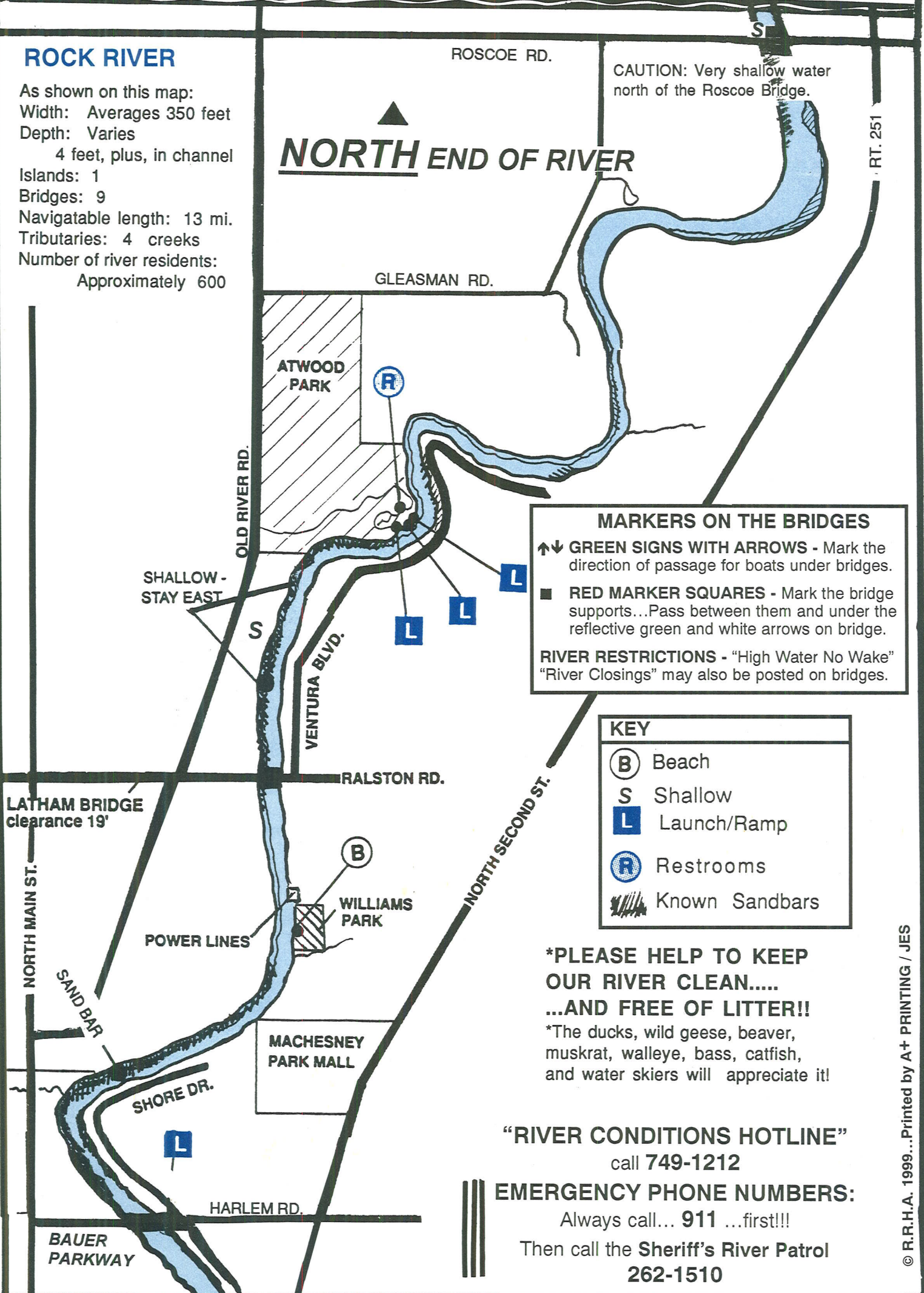
Navigatable length: 13 mi.

Tributaries: 4 creeks

Number of river residents:

Approximately 600

NORTH END OF RIVER



MARKERS ON THE BRIDGES

↑↓ GREEN SIGNS WITH ARROWS - Mark the direction of passage for boats under bridges.

■ RED MARKER SQUARES - Mark the bridge supports...Pass between them and under the reflective green and white arrows on bridge.

RIVER RESTRICTIONS - "High Water No Wake" "River Closings" may also be posted on bridges.

KEY

- (B) Beach
- S Shallow
- L Launch/Ramp
- (R) Restrooms
- Known Sandbars

***PLEASE HELP TO KEEP OUR RIVER CLEAN....**

...AND FREE OF LITTER!!

*The ducks, wild geese, beaver, muskrat, walleye, bass, catfish, and water skiers will appreciate it!

"RIVER CONDITIONS HOTLINE"

call 749-1212

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS:

Always call... **911** ...first!!!

Then call the **Sheriff's River Patrol**
262-1510

SOUTH END OF RIVER

CAUTION:

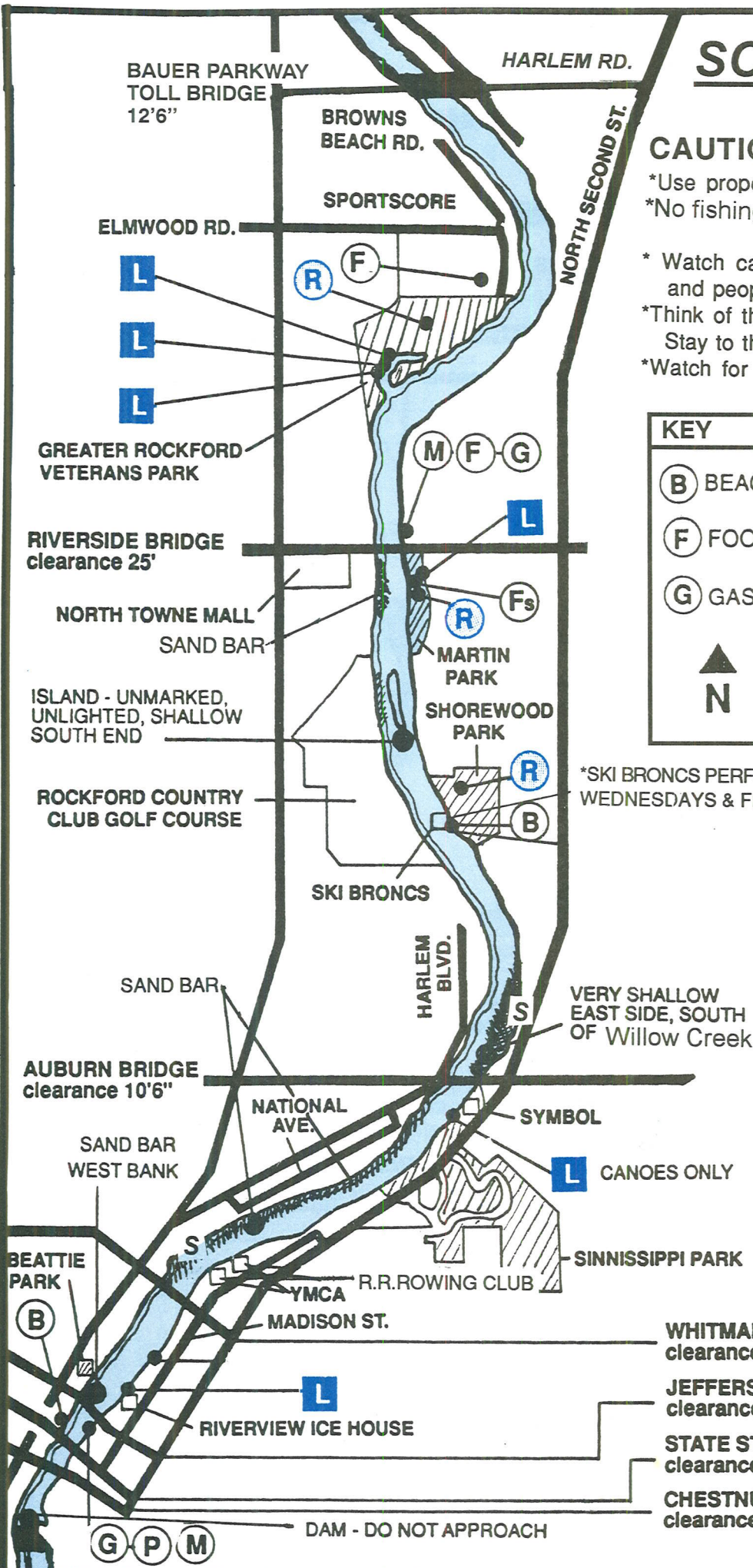
- *Use proper lights from sunset to sunrise.
- *No fishing is allowed off bridges.
- * Watch carefully for small water craft, debris and people in the water. (i.e. water skiers)
- *Think of the river as a highway.
Stay to the right.
- *Watch for sandbars and shallow areas.

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(B) BEACH	(L) LAUNCH/RAMP
(F) FOOD	S Shallow
(G) GAS	(M) MARINA
	(P) PARTS/SERVICE
▲ N	(R) RESTROOM FACILITIES
	KNOWN SANDBARS

NOTES:

- * Free boating inspections via U.S. Coast Guard Aux.
- * Bridge clearances are approximations at center and at normal water levels
- * This map is provided by the Rock River Homeowners Assoc. and is intended as a guide to facilities and reference points for boaters. The association is in no way liable for personal or property damage incurred from the use of this guide.
- * For Illinois Boating Safety classes and certification cards, contact Winn. Sheriff's River Patrol.



SAFETY GUIDELINES:

This guide is in compliance with the laws and ordinances of the U.S. Coast Guard and the Winnebago County Sheriff's Dept./River Patrol.

- Speed limits are 45mph during daylight, 25mph from sunset to sunrise.
- Water-skiing after sunset is extremely dangerous and unlawful.
- Open exhaust boats are against State Law.
- Polluting and littering of the river is prohibited.
- Proper boat lighting is required from sunset to sunrise.
- Driving a boat while intoxicated with result in a "O.U.I." citation.
- Children under the age of 10 cannot operated any motorized watercraft; from ages 10-12 they must be under direct control of parent or guardian.
- Young adults (ages 12-18), in order to operate a motorized watercraft, must carry an Illinois State Certification card as proof that they have completed a boating safety course.
- All boaters must observe the "No Wake" zones.
- Safety equipment must comply with the U.S. Coast Guard and IL Dept. of Natural Resources regulations
- No person may operate a watercraft under 26 feet in length unless a Type I, Type II, Type III or Type V personal floatation vest is being properly worn by each person under the age of 13 on board the watercraft at all times in which the craft is underway.