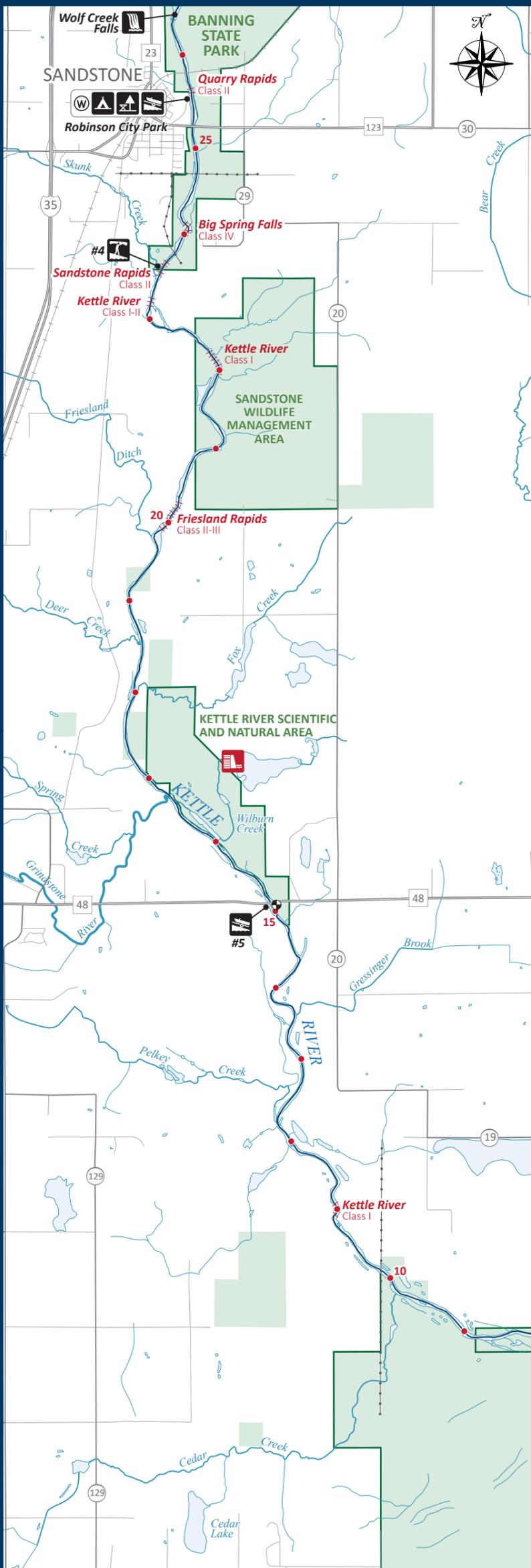


KETTLE RIVER STATE WATER TRAIL

Map 2 - Sandstone to the St. Croix River



Carry-in Access	Campground	State Unit Lands	River Miles
Trailer Access	Watercraft Campsite	Other Public Lands	Powerlines
Rest Area	Dam	Matthew Lourey State Trail	Rapids
Waterfall	River Level Gauge	Paved	
Restroom		Unpaved	
Drinking Water			

Scale 1:80,000

Scale in Miles

Route Description, RM 26 to 0

R and L represent sides of the river facing downstream

Top of map to 23.5 Banning State Park.

- 26.4 **Wolf Creek Falls.** Wolf Creek tumbles over a 10-foot ledge before it joins the Kettle. Find the mouth of the creek on the right and follow the stream about 100 yards into the woods.
- 26.6 **A cave is in the sandstone bluffs on the right.** Remains of some sandstone quarries can be seen from the cave downstream to Robinson Park in Sandstone.
- 25.8 **Railroad bridge.**
- 25.5 (R) **Quarry Rapids.** Class II, portage right 100 yards. This drop may not be runnable at low water since the entire river tumbles onto sharp boulders; at high water, large back rollers develop.
- 25.4 (R) **Robinson City Park.** Campground, boat ramp, toilets, well, picnic tables and a shelter.
- 25.1 **State Highway 123 bridge.**
- 24.6 **Powerline crossing.**
- 24.0-23.4 **Portage right 0.7 miles.**
- 23.9-23.9 **Big Spring Falls.** Class IV, the river splits into two channels around the island. Right channel drops over cascading waterfall; Left channel curves through boulder-ledge rapids with difficult turns, the falls are followed immediately by dangerous severely undercut ledges which will trap trees, boats and swimmers. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED NOT TO TRY THESE FALLS AND THAT WAVE SURFING NOT BE ATTEMPTED HERE.
- 23.5-23.4 **Sandstone Rapids.** Class II. This is the location of the former Sandstone Dam last used for electricity in 1963. The dam was removed in 1995, and as a result, Big Spring Falls is visible again.
- 23.5 (R) **#4 Carry-in Access.** Near electrical complex/tower. Confluence with Skunk Creek.
- 23.3 **Powerline crossing.**
- 23.2 **Three short boulder-bed rapids.** Class I-II.
- 22.5-20.7 **Sandstone Wildlife Management Area.**
- 22.0 **Class I rapids.**
- 20.2-19.9 **Friesland Rapids.** Three boulder-bed pitches. Class I-II.
- 19.8 (R) **Confluence with Friesland Ditch.**
- 18.5 (R) **Confluence with Deer Creek.**
- 18. **Confluence with Fox Creek.**
- 17.1-14.8 (L) **Kettle River Scientific and Natural Area.**
- 16.8 (R) **Confluence with Grindstone River.**
- 16.8 (L) **Confluence with Wilburn Creek.**
- 15.1-15.0 (R) **#5 Trailer Access.** State Highway 48 bridge, river level gauge.
- 13.6 (L) **Confluence with Gressinger Brook.**
- 12.2 (L) **Confluence with Pelkey Creek.**
- 11.0 **Class I rapids.**
- 10.2-8.9 (R) **Chengwatana State Forest.**
- 10.2 **Powerline crossing.**
- 9.8 (R) **Confluence with Cedar Creek.**

- 8.9 - 0 **St. Croix State Park.**
- 8.0 (L) **Maple Island Trailer Access and campsite.**
- 7.9 (L) **#6 Trailer Access.** Watercraft campsite and toilet.
- 7.8-0.0 **Lower Kettle River Rapids.** A series of long boulder-bed pitches. Class I-II. Large standing waves form in high water.
- 7.0 **Willard Munger State Trail crossing.**
- 7.0 (L) **Big Eddy.** Campsite, toilet and drinking water.
- 3.6 (L) **#7 trailer access.** Kennedy Brook.
- 3.1 (R) **Half Through Campsite.**
- 2.5 (R) **River's End Campsite.**
- 1.6 (L) **Two Rivers Campsite.**
- 0.0 **Boulder-studded channels split around several islands.** Slightly more than a mile downstream, where the two channels of the St. Croix join, the river tumbles over steep, low ledge that forms a three-foot backroller in high water.

END OF ROUTE

