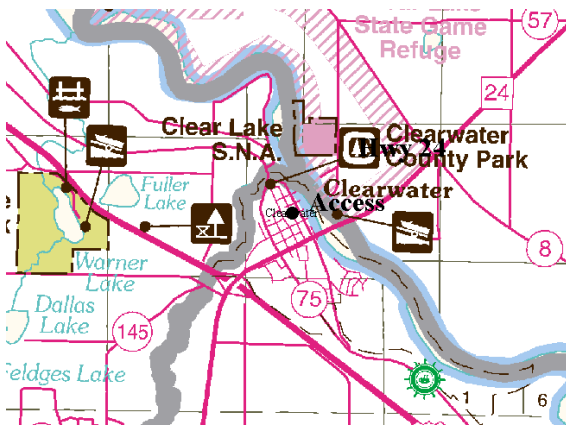


Mississippi River Guide – Clearwater Access

Map



Access at Clearwater on the Mississippi River



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Clearwater Access – River mile 913

The Clearwater access on the Mississippi River is located on the north side of the river adjacent to State Hwy 24. This is a DNR public access with parking and paved ramp.

Canoeing and Scenery

A day-trip to Montissippi Park (15 miles) can be pleasant. At normal flow conditions the river moves along about 3 miles per hour. However, a southeast breeze will impede your progress. In this stretch you will encounter the “Big Bend,” located about three miles downstream of Clearwater. In recent years bald eagles have established nest sites and are a common sight along the river.

Fishing

There are subtle changes in habitat that challenge the angler until you traverse past the Big Bend. The river is somewhat sandy and gamefish might be holding mid-channel where there are more rocks.

Immediately upstream of Clearwater the Clearwater River joins with the Mississippi. As always, the mouths of rivers can be good places to fish and this is no exception. Walleye, channel catfish and smallmouth bass are commonly caught by anglers here.