MAP #15

MAP #15 – Castle Rock Dam to Upper Dells

Mile #	Landmark	Approximate hrs* from previous landmark
268	Castle Rock dam	
276	STH 82 bridge	2½
278	Lemonweir River	¾
282	Upper Dells	1¼
*Times vary depending on weather, river flow, and ability		

- ➢ *General Description*
  - o Miles 268 – 276 (Castle Rock dam to STH 82 bridge) The river flows south past Castle Rock with numerous side channels and sloughs containing many islands and sandbars
  - o Miles 276 – 278 (STH 82 bridge to Lemonweir River) Lemonweir River flows in on the right with the south shore bordered by high sandstone cliffs
  - o Miles 278 – 282 (Lemonweir River to Upper Dells) River is narrow and deep as it passes between high bluffs and unique rock formations until Clarke Island where several tributaries enter forming side channels, sandbars and willow islands

- ➢ *Portages* *(see portage maps by clicking on the dam symbol)*
  - o Mile 268 Castle Rock dam – Take-out at a cement ramp and follow the route for about a ⅓ mile long portage to the put-in just at the mouth of the Castle Rock ditch that parallels the east dike (left)

- ➢ *Landings suitable for take-out or put-in*
  - o Mile 268 Wisconsin River Power Company WRPCO boat landing below Castle Rock dam (left)
  - o Mile 278 Two Rivers boat landing where the Lemonweir River enters the Wisconsin (right)
  - o Mile 282 Town of Dell Prairie boat landing (left)

- ➢ *Camping*
  - o Mile 274 Private campground – "Castle Rock Resort & Campground (608-847-6269)"
  - o Mile 276 Private campground – "Point Bluff Resort (608-253-6181)" with canoe and kayak rentals and shuttle service http://www.pointbluff.com/
  - o Sandbar and island camping is common but make sure the land is publicly owned and beware of changing water levels

- ➢ *Other amenities*
  - o Mile 268 – WRPCO Castle Rock dam recreation area with boat landing, picnic area, restrooms, boater concessions, and trail (left)

- ➢ *Flow Information –* For information on river flow at Wisconsin Dells go to "Links" on the home page of this website and under "Wisconsin River Flow Forecasts" select "Wisconsin River at Wisconsin Dells".