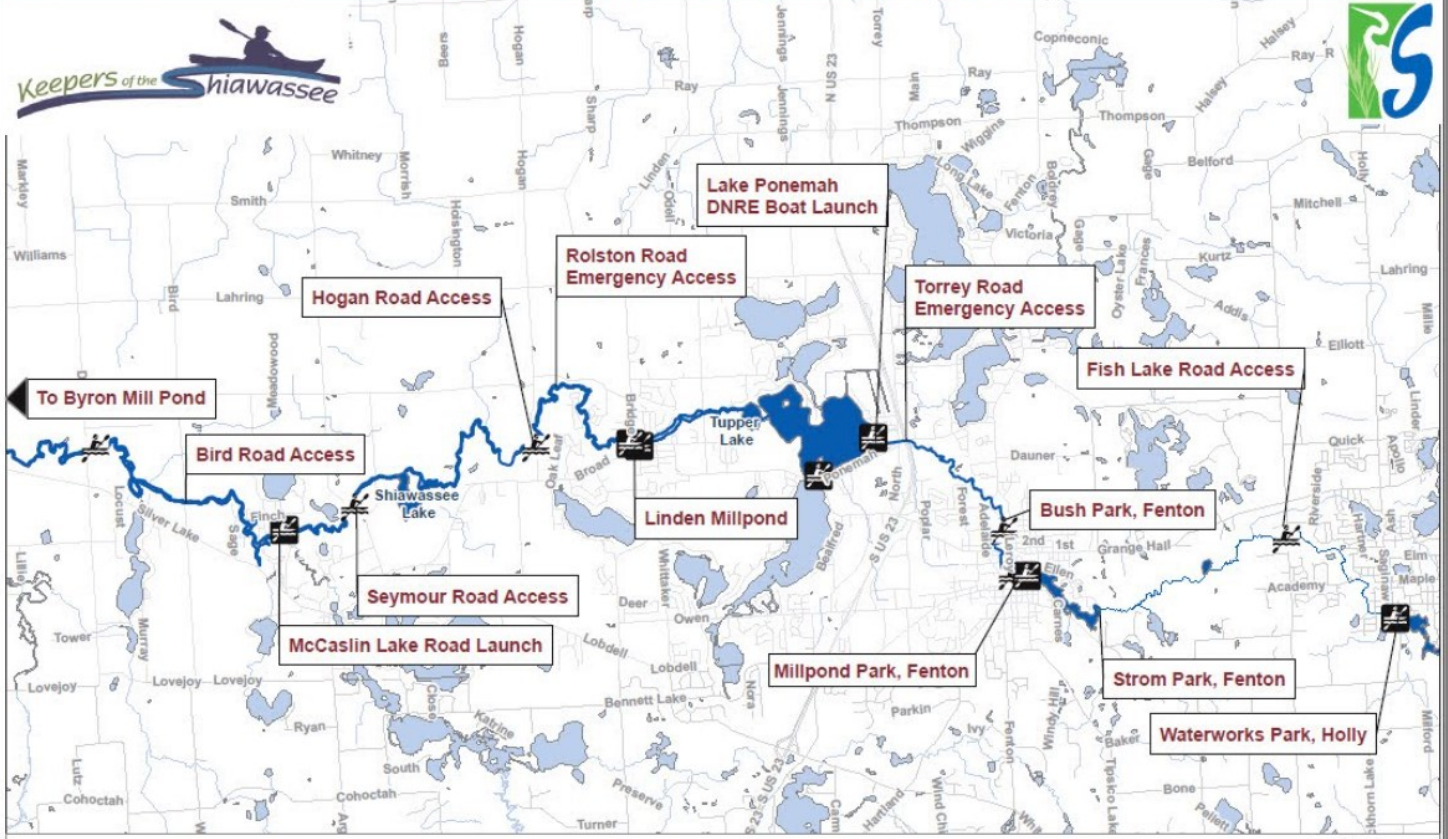




Shiawassee River Water Trail

You can launch your canoe or kayak anytime from Water-Works Park at 690 S. Broad Street in Holly and paddle to Strom Park on East Street in Fenton, seven river miles. This segment of the **Shiawassee River** is an adventure that takes about two and a half to three hours. The River here is shallow and slow moving but it has many twists and turns, an occasional beaver dam and changing scenery which add challenge and adventure to the paddling trip. The volunteer organization Headwaters Trails has added mile markers, interpretive signage, launch sites and trailhead parking. Restaurants and shopping beckon in the historic communities at each end of the river trail. Future development of this Heritage Water Trail will enable extended trips to the west through Fenton, Linden and Byron in Genesee County and then northward past Walnut Hills Campground and on to Owosso and Chesaning along the way to Saginaw Bay, a total distance of 110 miles. At present there is no livery serving this Pure Michigan adventure. Paddlers are requested to observe the "Leave No Trace" ethic, to share the resource with other river users and to take nothing but Good Memories.

Shiawassee River Heritage Water Trail Holly -- Fenton -- Linden -- Argentine



Legend

- River Access** Shiawassee River
- Status** Roads
- Existing
- Planned



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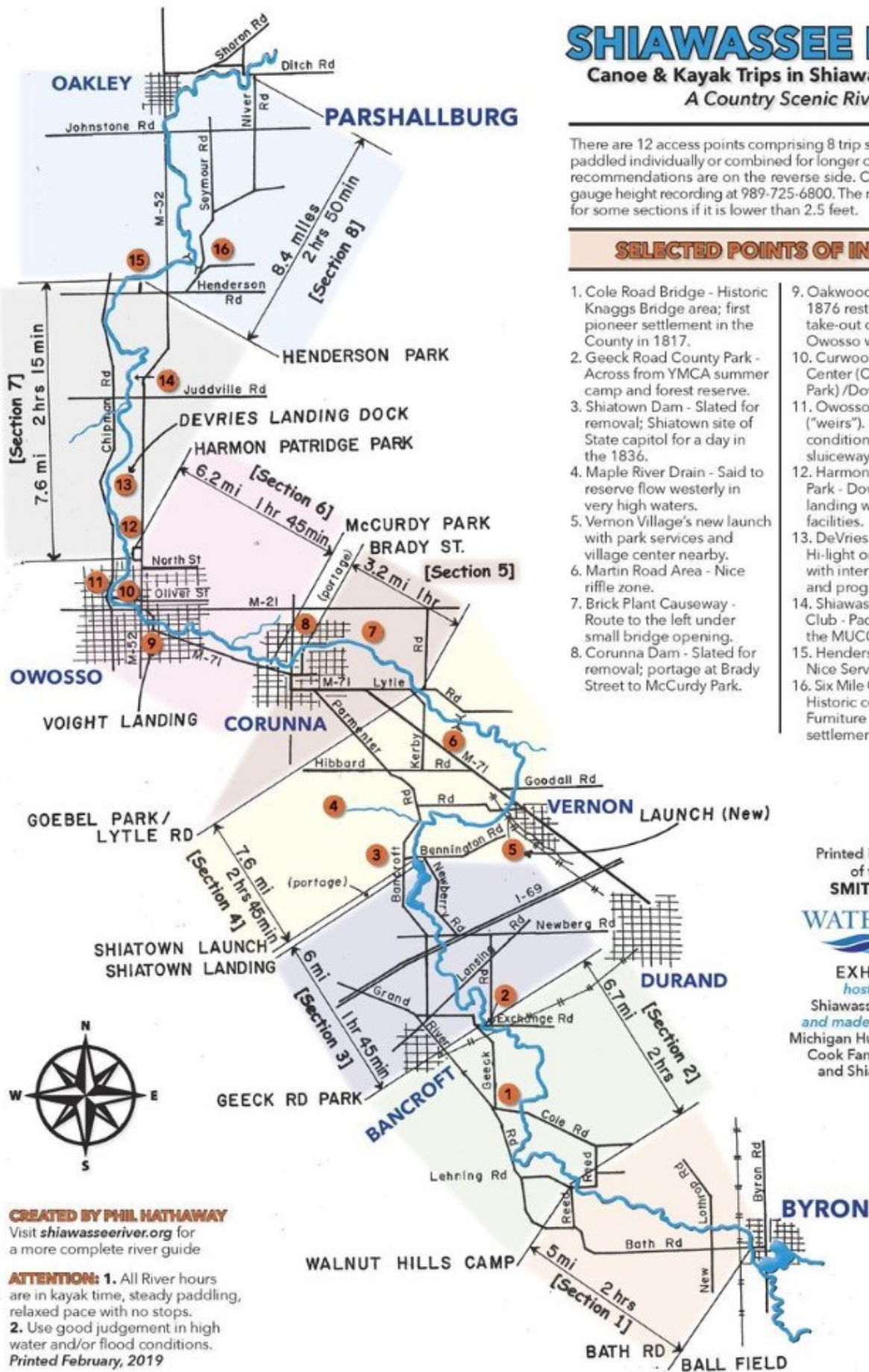
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Canoe & Kayak Trips in Shiawassee County A Country Scenic River Experience

There are 12 access points comprising 8 trip sections that can be paddled individually or combined for longer outings. Car ferrying recommendations are on the reverse side. Check Owosso river gauge height recording at 989-725-6800. The river may be shallow for some sections if it is lower than 2.5 feet.

SELECTED POINTS OF INTEREST

1. Cole Road Bridge - Historic Knaggs Bridge area; first pioneer settlement in the County in 1817.
2. Geek Road County Park - Across from YMCA summer camp and forest reserve.
3. Shiatown Dam - Slated for removal; Shiatown site of State capitol for a day in the 1836.
4. Maple River Drain - Said to reserve flow westerly in very high waters.
5. Vernon Village's new launch with park services and village center nearby.
6. Martin Road Area - Nice rifle zone.
7. Brick Plant Causeway - Route to the left under small bridge opening.
8. Corunna Dam - Slated for removal; portage at Brady Street to McCurdy Park.
9. Oakwood Ave Iron Bridge - 1876 restoration; also a take-out option before 3 Owosso weirs.
10. Curwood Castle, Arts Center (Cultural/ Historic Park) /Downtown
11. Owosso Low Head Dams ("weirs"). Evaluate conditions before running sluiceways.
12. Harmon Partridge City Park - Downstream from landing with many park facilities.
13. DeVries Nature Center- Hi-light on the water trail with interpretive trails and programs.
14. Shiawassee Conservation Club - Paddle by only where the MUCC was founded.
15. Henderson County Park - Nice Services
16. Six Mile Creek Iron Bridge- Historic coal mining & Furniture manufacture settlement.



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ATTENTION: 1. All River hours are in kayak time, steady paddling, relaxed pace with no stops.
2. Use good judgement in high water and/or flood conditions.
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