

18.5: Jefferson Street Boat Ramp

(North Clackamas Parks and Recreation)
GPS 45° 26.593 N, 122°38.607 W



This park is a decent put-in for local paddles.

Caution: Rocks on inside bend at low water

Miles 18-15.5

19: Elk Rock Island

(City of Milwaukie, owned by City of Portland)

This island is a fantastic property that was donated to the City of Portland by the Kerr family. A small embayment makes for a good canoe or kayak stop, and a path circles the edge of the property. The island has a host of habitats and species, from Pacific madrone and oak to cedar and fir. At high water the island is truly an island, but during most of the year it is a peninsula accessible by land from adjacent Dogwood Park. Willamette Riverkeeper and others have worked with the City of Portland during the past few years to conduct restoration work on the island.

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Waterfront Park
(City of Lake Oswego)



A nice new park with ample parking and open grass area. Currently access to the river is difficult, but there are plans to construct a dock in 2007.



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20: Rivervilla Park



(North Clackamas Parks)



Located immediately adjacent to the railroad bridge, this small park can be used to access the river at a short beach next to the railroad bridge. There is a relatively long walk to the beach from the small parking area.

20.5: Oak Grove Boat Ramp



This is a crude paved ramp, but usable. Parking is on a nearby neighborhood street.

21: George Rogers Park



(City of Lake Oswego)



This park makes a good lunch stop. The river access is not the best (the configuration of the paths makes it difficult to carry a boat to the water), but parking is available. In 1865 an iron furnace was built at the site to use the ore that came from the nearby hills. The furnace's massive rock chimney is still visible today. Here Oswego Creek flows into the Willamette, contributing relatively warm, nitrogen-rich water from the lake.

Miles 23-21

1/4 mile

North

Miles 21.5-18