

RED RIVER (R1)

<p>Put-in Weed Dam Powerhouse, Gresham</p> <p>Take-out Zeimer's Falls</p> <p>Distance 2.1 miles</p> <p>Approximate Time 1-2 hours</p> <p>Most Difficult Rapids Class 3</p>	<p>Elevation Drop 20 feet</p> <p>Average Gradient 2.1 feet per mile</p> <p>Minimum Suggested Flow 150 cfs / 1.75 ft</p> <p>USGS Gage @ County N Bridge</p> <p>Water Level Info / Phone N/A</p>
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Paddlers Notes

Weed Dam Releases: Dam releases have the greatest effect on the difficulty of the rapids. Releases at the Weed Dam are computer controlled and often occur twice daily, first in the morning between 7am & 10am, and again in the afternoon between 2pm and 5pm. Dam releases will cause the rapids to rate at their higher difficulty levels. A loud horn located at the dam will sound at the beginning of a release!

11.7 Mile Weed Dam Powerhouse @ Gresham, Access River: A few sets of riffles are located in the first half mile before First Drop. **Shuttle:** The large access area is just below the Weed Dam Powerhouse, a large grassy area with plenty of room for trailers. Hand carry access, trailer turnaround, parking.

11.3 Mile First Drop (Class 2) The rapids are just past a sharp left bend and feature a river wide drop of about 2 feet. High water levels create big waves below the drop!

10.9 Mile Rock Ledge (Class 1-2) The river forks around a large rock outcropping. The main channel runs to the right over a small drop while the left forms a narrow chute between exposed rock and the left bank. WW kayakers and canoers will enjoy playing in the chute in high water. A set of class 1 rapids follows about 100 yards downstream.

10.6 Mile Second Drop (Class 1-2) The river forks around tiny island with the main channel going left. There are a couple of ledges in rapid succession. The ledges form a pair of waves which offer excellent play opportunities for kayakers. A small boulder garden follows.

10.4 Mile Monastery Falls (Class 3-4) After Second Drop, the river widens and calms then bends to the right. You should hear the roar from Monastery Falls from around the bend before you see them. At the start of the Falls, the river constricts into a fast chute that is less than 10 feet wide with a large wave and an occasionally nasty hole near the end. The chute ends with a fast drop with another hole at the bottom that offers seriously fun wave action during high water levels.

Scouting the falls is recommended! Scout or portage along either bank. Please stay on the exposed rock ledges as the land on either side is privately owned. The Falls will rate as class 3 in low to moderate flows, and will become class 4 in high water.

The falls are named after an Alexian Monastery located on the left bank below the falls, which was gutted by fire years ago, and is no longer in use.

10.2 Mile Rapids (Class 1) A short stretch of rapids begins about 100 yards downstream from Monastery Falls. The remains of an old gristmill overlook the rapids from the right bank.

9.6 Mile Zeimer's Falls (Class 2-3) The falls begin with a small ledge shortly after a sharp left bend. After the ledge, the river constricts to less than 15 feet wide and runs through a bumpy chute with several drops. This is an enjoyable run that is popular with kayakers who often come and spend an afternoon playing in the waves. The falls end with a short, fun class 3 drop. There are easy access points on the north (river-left) bank, both above and below the falls.

9.6 Mile Zeimer's Falls Access River: You can take out on river left, either above or below the falls. **Shuttle:** On Butternut Road, the landing entrance is on the south side of the road about 300 yards west of Cedar Lane. Follow the sand and gravel drive until you see the parking area. The river is down a wide woodchip path. Hand carry access, parking, trailer turnaround.

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Driving Directions (Google Maps)



Gresham, Weed Dam Access



Zeimer's Falls Access

GPS - NAD83 / WGS84

Gresham, Weed Dam Access	44.84170,-88.76077
First Drop	44.84010,-88.75452
Rock Ledge	44.84169,-88.74713
Second Drop	44.84331,-88.73912
Monastary Falls	44.84408,-88.73813
Zeimer's Falls	44.84310,-88.72320