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1) Review the map carefully.
2) Plan your skill and water levels according to your skill level.
3) Wear a life jacket with a whistle.
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7) Respect wildlife and leave what you find.
8) Protect water quality by avoiding any chemical, oil, or gasoline spills into the river.
9) Avoid discharging hazardous materials, including oil and gasoline, into the river.
10) Plan your trip according to your skill level and water flows.
11) Do not camp on private property. Stay in the river until you can avoid public lands by contacting your nearest “landing” point.
12) With your own and paddling equipment (the year in a calendar) at any town or city immediately downstream of where you land on the river.

Welcome to the Chauga River Paddleway!

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River Level:
- Above 8 feet: Limited recreational use
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- Above 4 feet: Limited recreational use
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- Below 2 feet: Limited recreational use

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