



) I SPY GAME



TRY TO FIND EACH OF THESE ON YOUR TRIP ON THE RIVER. WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THEM? WHAT ARE THEY USED FOR? WHEN WERE THEY MADE? WHAT OTHER FUN THINGS CAN YOU SEE?



No Wake Sign



River Boat



Buoy



Swing Bridge



Lift Bridge



SPECIAL BONUS: DAM

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NO WAKE SIGN

The trail the boat leaves in the water is called its wake. No wake zones are meant to keep boats going slowly. They are similar to speed bumps or school zones on a automobile road. The nowake zones along this part of the St. Croix were put into place in 1986 to help keep boaters safe.



RIVERBOAT

The first steamboat to travel the St. Croix River was the Palmyra in 1838. St. Croix Falls was as far upriver as the boats could go because of the falls or rapids that existed there. Hundreds of steamboats traveled annually on the St. Croix, peaking between 1860-90.



BUOY

Orange-and-white buoys are used to alert boat drivers about rules or warnings. The circle on this buoy means there are special rules for this area. If there were a diamond instead of a circle it would mean boaters need to beware of something dangerous. What do you think a square means?



SWING BRIDGE

This bridge was built in 1912 and its closed position it allows trains to cross the river When a boat needs to go under the bridge motors rotate the bridge and swing it open for the boats. Can you see where the train tracks are on each side of the river?



DAM

Lake Mallalieu Dam

Lake Mallalieu (behind this dam) is a man-made lake almost 289 acres and 17 feet in some places. It is a flowage lake to connect the Willow River and the St. Croix River. It began with the name of "Willow Pond" in 1887.



LIFT BRIDGE

The Stillwater Lift Bridge was built in 1931 and put on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989, It is significant as a rare surviving example of vertical-lift highway bridge construction of the Waddell and Harrington type. In 2017, vehicular traffic was switched from the Lift Bridge to the new St. Croix Crossing bridge and converted to a bicycle/pedestrian bridge in 2020.

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