

Yellowstone River Access Points, Forsyth to below Sidney, Montana

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I welcome corrections or additions. In particular, missing non-FAS access points hidden in towns?

See explanations below the table. **DS** mileages, and **coordinates**, are from measurements using Google Satellite.

Miles 237-223 estimated based on old book showing 13 miles less for downstream sites.

Mile	DS Name	N/S	Coords	Source	Notes
237	- Rosebud West	S	46.2638, -106.6950	other	Forsyth, SE of bridge
236	1 Rosebud East FAS	S	46.2746, -106.6787	other	Forsyth, day + camping, below dam
223	13 Far West FAS	N	46.2800, -106.4851	other	day + camping
182	41 Roche Jaune FAS	S	46.4215, -105.8567	FWP+web	hwy 59, north side of Miles City
-	9.2 Bill Matthews fishing site	S	46.5037, -105.7352	web	just DS of Jones Creek
170	2.6 Kinsey Bridge FAS	N	46.5329, -105.7130	FWP+web	hwy 489 to Kinsey, 4 mi SW on county rd
159	11.0 Bonfield FAS	N	46.6321, -105.5665	FWP+web	hwy 489 to Kinsey, 7 mi NE on county rd
-	11.9 Powder River Depot FAS	S	46.7455, -105.4335	web	Wolf rapids 1.5 mi DS!
-	11.9 Terry Bridge	N	46.8058, -105.2941	web	old only; 0.3 mi walk-in access only (8/2020) (McKeons + White Island rapids before Fallon!)
124	10.5 Fallon Bridge FAS	N	46.8563, -105.1149	FWP+web	I-90 exit 185 E, frontage road NE 2 mi (De Russys rapids 4.3 mi DS!)
93	30.4 Glendive, Black Bridge FAS	N	47.0983, -104.7313	FWP	road behind grocery store off Bell Street
-	1.3 Glendive main town ramp	S	47.1103, -104.7168	web	S of MDOT bldg between Clement + Borden
83	8.2 Stipek FAS	N	47.2052, -104.6600	FWP	hwy 16 MM 8.1 N of I-94, then 0.7 gravel S
71	12.0 Intake Dam FAS	N	47.2811, -104.5267	FWP+web	DS just beyond dangerous low head dam
52	21.4 Savage, Elk Island FAS	N	47.4761, -104.3006	FWP+web	hwy 16, 1 mi N Savage, E 3.5 mi on county road
40	10.0 Crane, Seven Sisters FAS	N	47.5737, -104.2227	FWP+R&G	1.5 mi E of Crane, turn left at T
31	9.8 Sidney Bridge FAS	S	47.6737, -104.1574	FWP	1.5 mi S of Sidney on hwy 16, 1.5 mi E on hwy 23
21	9.3 Diamond Willow FAS	S	47.7568, -104.0551?	FWP	difficult access, 1/2 mi W of ND border

216 214.5 **Mile diff and DS sum**; pretty close total and throughout, except Elk Island wrong in FWP?

(my measurements suggest it's closer to mile 50 not 52)

Abbreviations:

- FWP Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks; see especially page 97+ here:
<http://fwp.mt.gov/fish/guide/fasGuide.html>
- Mile river miles, from FWP PDF, apparently upstream from confluence with the Missouri River
(ignoring mileages from old website that were about 13 miles lower, apparently just to the border)
- DS downstream, including my measured river miles from previous access point, following biggest channel
- FAS Montana Fishing Access Site
- N/S North or South side of river (river left or right)
- Coords WGS83/84 datum (Google maps)
- web old website, now lost, lacks attribution; plus one newer from very good:
<https://naturalatlas.com/rivers/yellowstone-809622/boat-launches>
- R&G Rock and Gem magazine article