

Gulf Island Dam and Deer Rips Dam Portages

Owner: NextEra

General Comments: NextEra has installed portages around both dams. Security at the dam locations causes these portages to be quite long. Canoe rests are available along the routes. The Gulf Island to Deer Rips section is quite short and portages are most often used by paddlers going some distance on the river. The Deer Rips portage provides access to a short but interesting section of river that includes access to Rancourt Preserve and a take out on river right just above the Great Falls dam. (See following access sites for more information).