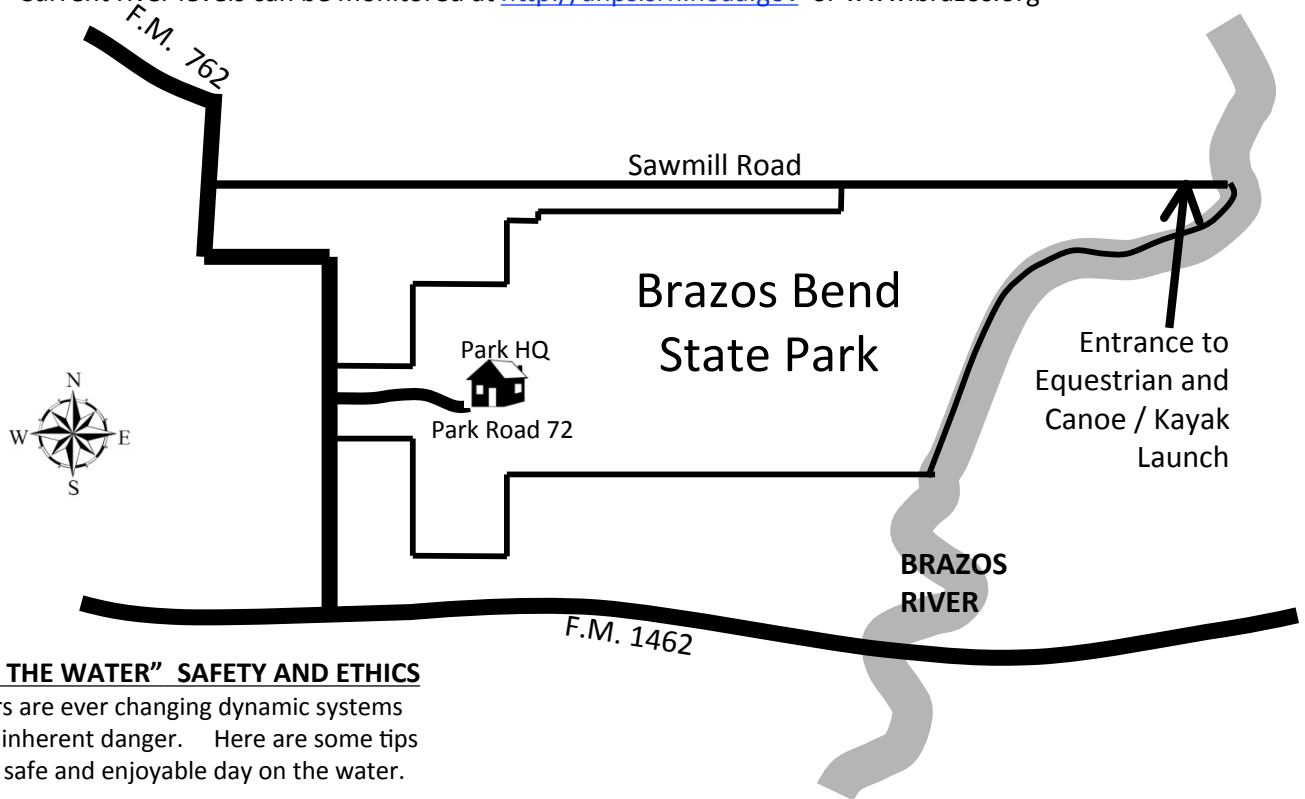


Brazos Bend State Park Canoe and Kayak Launch

- All visitors must come to Park Headquarters and pay entrance/camping fees and get gate combo.
- Visitors can then drive to launch entrance off of Sawmill Road – 9 miles (see map below).
- Lock the entrance gate behind you.
- Park and drive only on gravel areas, do not drive or park vehicles on grass or dirt, no exceptions!
- Canoes and Kayaks must be carried .30 miles on the Yellowstone Landing Trail to the Brazos River.
- Primitive camping is allowed in the equestrian area by permit only. No camping near the river.
- No public display or consumption of alcohol.
- Current river levels can be monitored at <http://ahps.srh.noaa.gov> or www.brazos.org



"ON THE WATER" SAFETY AND ETHICS

Rivers are ever changing dynamic systems with inherent danger. Here are some tips for a safe and enjoyable day on the water.

- ✓ Always wear your PFD, always!
- ✓ Carry a whistle or other noise making device
- ✓ Never paddle alone.
- ✓ Always file a float plan with another person.
- ✓ Check weather and river level forecasts.
- ✓ Carry a map & compass & know how to use them!
- ✓ Carry a cell phone
- ✓ Plan your trip so that your paddling skills exceed the water conditions.
- ✓ Be familiar with swift water rescue techniques.
- ✓ When you are on the water be self-sufficient, help may be a long way away.
- ✓ In case of emergency call 911.
- ✓ Be familiar with "put-in" & "take-out" points along the river.

