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Put in at the VDGIF boat ramp at Elkton (scheduled for completion in 1994) and rig up a small crayfish imitation for some smallmouth bass excitement. Get out of your canoe occasionally to wade the riffles and runs for best bronzeback results. Rock bass and redbreast sunfish add to the angling fun. A long power pool exists behind the 10-foot high dam at the town of Shenandoah. Pig-and-jig for largemouth bass or use live minnows for a trophy musky. Take out is on the right side of the river above the dam.

> Shenandoah to Grove Hill 8 miles (D-E)

Access the river at the VDGIF ramp downstream of the Shenandoah hydro dam near the Rt. 602 bridge crossing. A ramp is located upstream of the dam on the right but is not recommended except for takeout or upstream travel. Takeout at the VDGIF dirt ramp on the right at Rt. 650 just downstream of the U.S. 340 bridge.

The river is accessible only to canoes at this location. This is an easy float mixed with flat stretches and Class I rapids. This stretch has numerous smallmouth bass, rock bass, redbreast sunfish, musky, channel catfish, and in the slower reaches largemouth bass and

bluegill.

Grove Hill to Newport 6 miles (E-F)

Access is at a VDGIF ramp located on Rt. 650 near Grove Hill. The takeout is on the left, downstream from Newport on U.S. 340. Both access sites are dirt and are not accessible to trailers.

This section of river is comprised of several large pools and allows the angler a chance to fish for muskellunge, largemouth and smallmouth bass, bluegill, redbreast sunfish, and channel catfish.

> Newport to Alma 3 miles (F-G)

Launch at the VDGIF ramp located north of Newport on U.S. 340 and takeout on the right side of the river upstream of the U.S. 340 bridge at Alma. Both access points are primitive and not recommended for trailers. This section is riddled with Class I riffles and runs which provide for quality smallmouth bass and rock bass fishing.

Alma to White House 7 miles (G-H)

The VDGIF access site at Alma is located just upstream from the U.S. 340 bridge on the right side of the river. The takeout is downstream of the U.S. 211 bridge on the right bank and can be accessed by Rt. 646. The Alma launch site is primitive and trailers are not recommended.

This stretch has a diversity of habitat: pools, runs, and riffles that provide angling opportunities for smallmouth bass, rock bass, muskellunge, sunfish, and channel catfish.

> White House to Massanutten 4 miles (H-I)

The VDGIF ramp at White House can be accessed from U.S. 211 by taking Rt. 646. The takeout at Massanutten is on the left bank of the river and can be reached from Rt. 615. Both ramps are concrete and can be utilized by trailers.

The river in this stretch is characterized by large pools which provide excellent musky habitat.