## BUCKHANNON & TYGART VALLEY RIVER WATER TRAIL

## **SECTION 2 – NORTH PARK TO GARY BAILEY RAMP**

Buckhannon River <u>Section Length:</u> 9 miles

<u>Conditions:</u> Flatwater & Riffles/Runs (Class I) <u>Hazards:</u> Possible in-stream woody debris

## In This Stretch:

- Downstream of North Park the river flows through beautiful rural scenery, alternating between mature forest and pasture. This section offers excellent scenic and wildlife viewing opportunities as paddlers leave the city of Buckhannon.
- The river passes under U.S. Route 33 and Hall Road. The river is mostly slow and shallow, with some deep pools and very short segments of flowing rifles.
- Pringle Tree Park appears on river left after 3.75
  miles from North Park. The river lazily flows past
  Pringle Tree Park and passes under Hall Road for
  a second time, along with two other small
  railroad bridges.
- The River Rd Public Access site appears on river right 1.25 miles downstream of Pringle Tree Park.
   The river continues through long, deep pools interspersed with short rifles.
- In this section, the river regains its natural flow characteristics as large in-stream boulders become visible.

## **Access Site & Mileage**

North Buckhannon Park RM 9.8 - Carry Down
Approximately 1.7 miles east of Buckhannon on US
33/48, turn south onto 5th St., then turn left onto
Cleveland Ave to North Park. There are seasonal
bathrooms at the park.

<u>Pringle Tree Park RM 12.3 - Carry Down</u> Approximately 1 mile north of Buckhannon on Rt 20/119, turn onto Pringle Tree Park road and continue for 1.5 miles to the park.

River Rd RM 14 - Concrete Boat Ramp
Just south of the Rt. 20 and US 33/4848
interchange, follow Morton Ave east and continue along Hall Rd for approximately 3 miles. Turn onto River Rd, drive under the railroad bridge, and continue 0.1 mile to the access site. Access is on river right.

<u>Gary Bailey Ramp RM 17.5 - Concrete Boat Ramp</u>
Just south of the Rt. 20 and US 33/48 interchange, follow Morton Ave east and continue along Hall Rd for approximately 4.5 miles. Access is on river left.

