

SALUDA RIVER PADDLING GUIDE

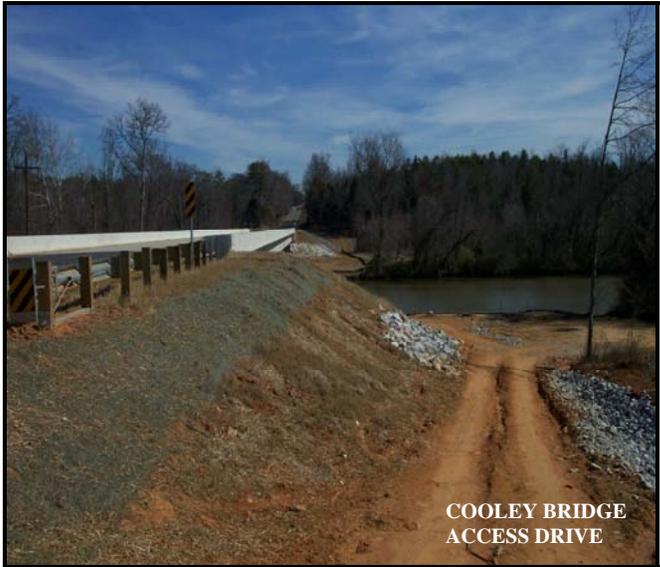
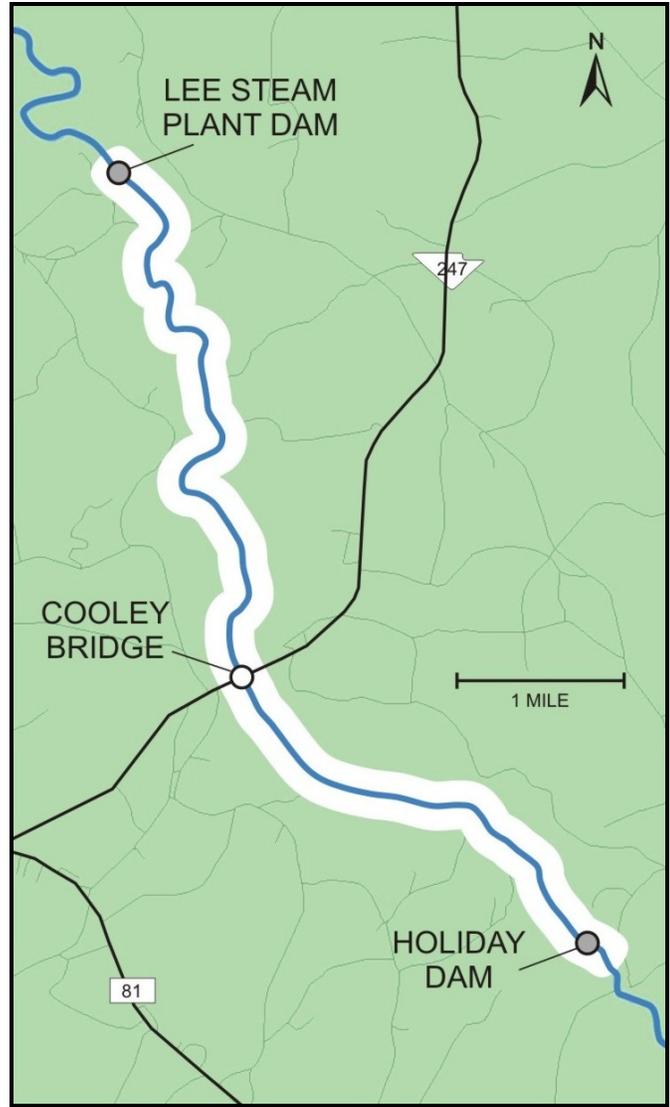
COOLEY BRIDGE ACCESS

Topo Map Belton East

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Reach Cooley Bridge Road (SC 247) upstream or downstream and return

Drop	Difficulty	Distance	Scenery	Water Quality
Little	Easy	Variable	Good	Fair



Put In & Take Out @ the Cooley Bridge Road Access-----From the intersection of Pelzer Highway (SC 8), Belton Highway (SC 247) and Augusta Road (US 25) in Ware Place travel southwest on SC 247 and cross the river at 5.7 miles. After crossing the river exit left immediately into the access site. Coming from Downtown Belton at the intersection of SC 20 and SC 247, travel east on SC 247 for 4.9 miles. Just before reaching the bridge crossing at the river, exit to the right into the river access site. Permission has been granted for access at this site and although publicly owned by the City of Belton and SCDOT, the site should be treated with the same care and respect as private property.



Difficulties/Landmarks* In this area, the river is impounded by the Lee Steam Plant Dam, near Williamston and the Holiday Dam, near Honea Path. Both impoundments make for lake-like paddling conditions. That being the case, a put in at the Cooley Bridge Road site will allow a paddle trip upstream as far as river conditions allow (maximum 2.3 miles) to the Lee Steam Plant Dam or downstream (maximum 4.1 miles) to the Holiday Dam. Portage, put in or take out access has not been granted at the Lee Steam Plant dam facilities at this time. However, portage and access permission has been granted at the Holiday Dam facility, but is not recommended, due to its remote and difficult conditions. Both riverbanks are private property for the majority of the reach. At this time, a trip beginning at the Cooley Bridge Road access site should end at the same site.

* **Rain, drought, and dam releases may greatly influence river flow.**



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