## Minden Wild Water Preserve Harrington Park WHIE WATER MINDEN WILD WATER PRESERVE

Whitewater Ontario welcomes you

to the whitewater park on the Gull River.

River access points are outlined as well as trails and viewing points on both sides of the river. We ask that you respect local residents' and paddlers' safety. Anglers, be aware of overhead wires.

Please ensure that your vehicle is not parked on the County Rd 20. The main parking lot is (behind you) across the road, above this sign.

Please respect the Preserve and River - take your litter with you. Use at your own risk.

## **HISTORY**

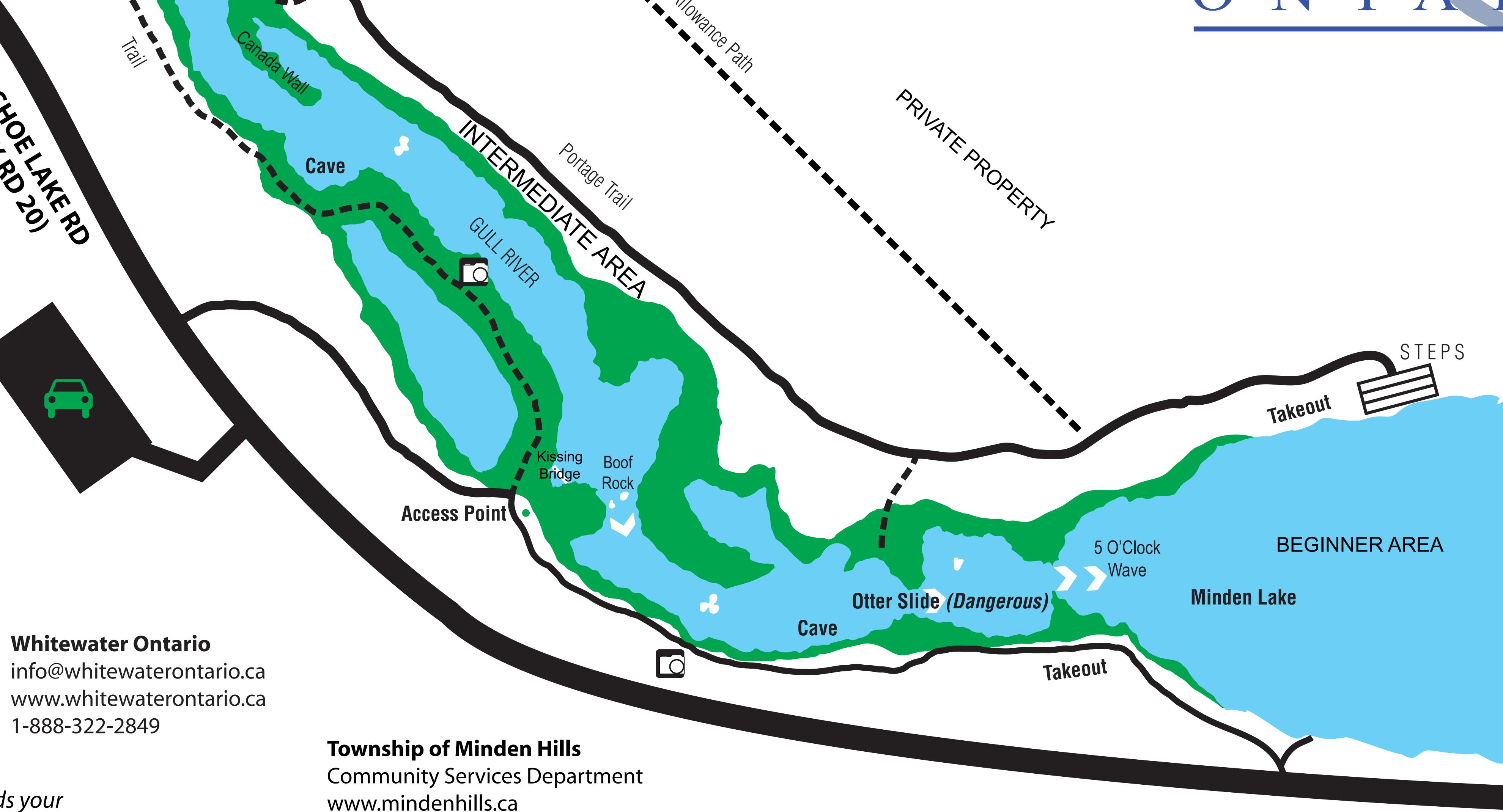
This river was formed by glacier movement over 3.5 million years ago. Since the last ice age 12,000 years ago, which carved out the final shape of the river, 15 - 25 m<sup>3</sup>/s now flows down the watershed system daily. This river is part of the Trent Canal System operated by Parks Canada and supplies passage for recreational boating, drinking water, electricity, and nutrients to fish such as trout and bass, downstream.

This Preserve was established in 1979 through the work of the Ontario Slalom Kayak Community guided by Roger Parsons and Heinz Poenn, who worked with Whitewater Ontario members, the Township of Anson, Hindon and Minden township council, Wintario, the Canadian Sportsman Fund and the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

Its primary development was to provide opportunity for slalom training and hosting of major world white water events. It now provides recreation for whitewater kayakers, canoeists, hikers, anglers, campers, as well as off-season recreation such as snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

For more information or to become a member of the provincial kayak or canoe associations, or local paddling club, contact Whitewater Ontario at the address to the right.

Paddlers: thank you for coming to the Gull to paddle! This is a special piece of whitewater - a paradise that we cannot take for granted. Whitewater Ontario provides ongoing maintenance to the river and shoreline which needs your support. Please either become a Whitewater Ontario member, join the volunteer crew, or provide a donation through your daily \$5 use fee, deposited at the Preserve on River left.



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