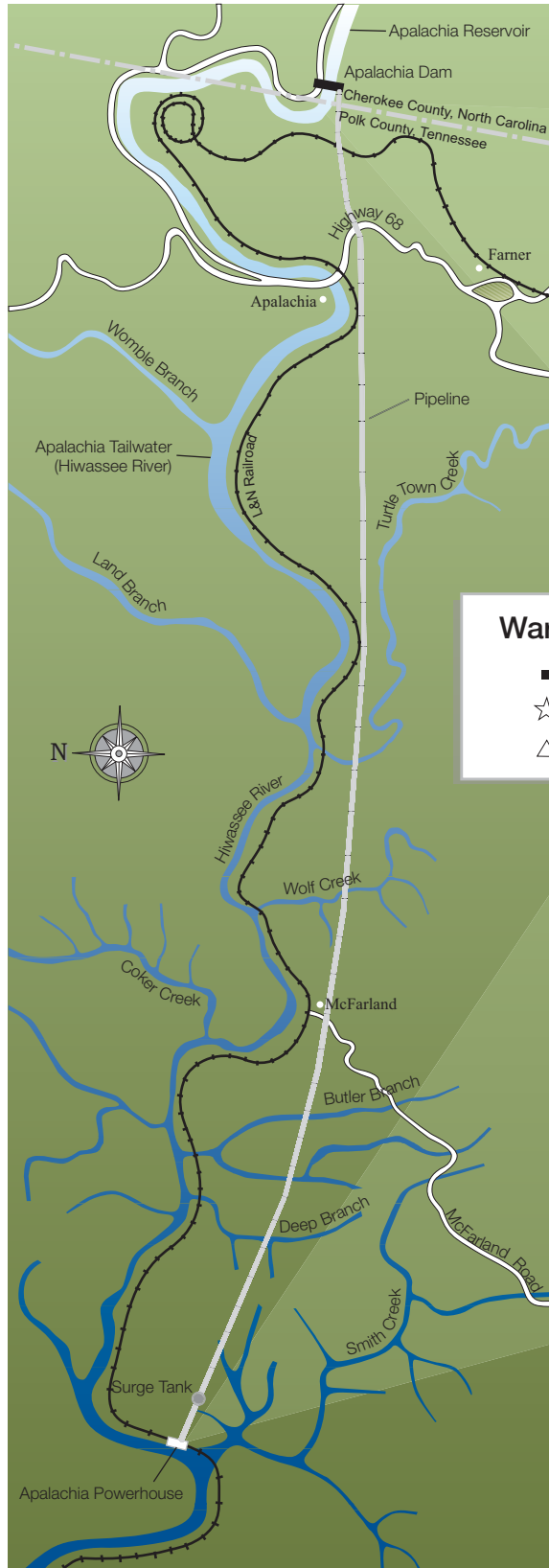
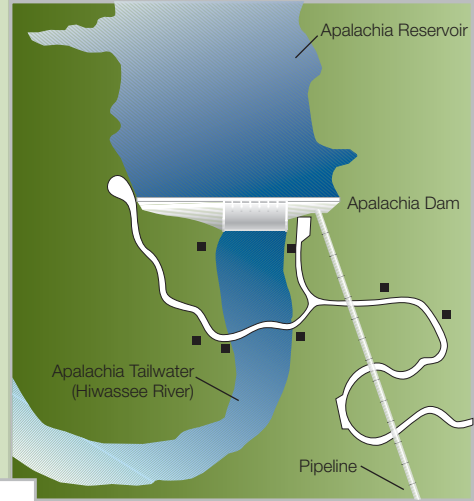


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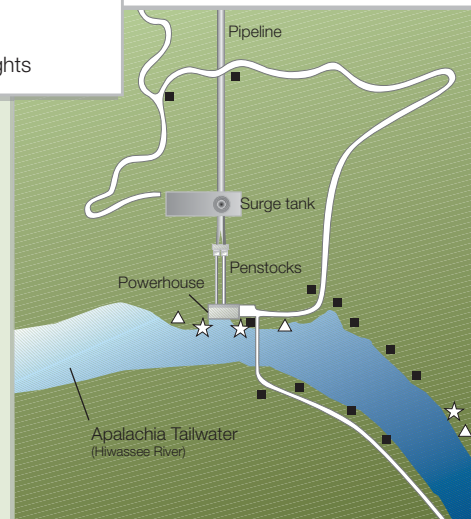


Warning signs at Apalachia Dam



Warning Systems

- Warning Signs
- ☆ Sirens
- △ Strobe Lights



Warning systems at Apalachia Powerhouse

Apalachia

Warning Systems

TVA has installed sirens, strobe lights, and signs at Apalachia Powerhouse to warn the public of impending changes in water conditions, such as swirling water, strong surface and underwater currents, rapidly rising water levels, and sudden water surges. These changes can occur when TVA starts the turbines that generate electricity at the powerhouse.

In addition, signs downstream of Apalachia Dam identify hazardous areas.

To ensure your safety, please obey these warning devices! The closer you get to a dam or powerhouse, the more hazardous it can be. Getting too close to these structures isn't worth the gamble.

When will sirens be activated?

Sirens are sounded before TVA starts the turbines that generate electricity at the powerhouse. When you hear these sirens, leave the area around the powerhouse **immediately**. Remember, sirens are installed only at the powerhouse; there are no sirens at the dam.

When will the strobe lights be activated?

Strobe lights are activated before TVA starts the turbines that generate electricity at the powerhouse. When you see these strobe lights flash, leave the area around the powerhouse **immediately**. Remember, strobe lights are installed only at the powerhouse; there are no strobe lights at the dam.

Apalachia Reservoir levels and release schedules

For more information about Apalachia, including reservoir levels and water-release schedules, visit www.tva.com or call TVA's automated reservoir information line at 865-632-2264 (865-632-2018 for the hearing impaired). Remember, release schedules can change without notice, so always pay close attention to warning devices.

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