



O'Sheas Crossing Brisbane River view upstream

There is a Brisbane River above Wivenhoe Dam, running north up the Brisbane Valley past Toogoolawah, Harlin and Moore. O'Sheas Crossing is a bridge over the Brisbane River on the Esk Kilcoy Road, eight kilometres west past the Somerset Dam. At higher Wivenhoe Dam water levels it is possible to paddle four kilometres downstream from O'Sheas, on backed up dam water, to where the Stanley River (the river that flows from Somerset Dam) meets the Brisbane.

In March 2009, low water levels in Wivenhoe Dam means just a trickle goes downstream from O'Sheas Crossing. There is a large pool upstream of the bridge, but getting there involves a 100 metre carry to put in from the recreation reserve, and a small pebble race to portage upstream to get to the long pool.



left: the long pool, where the river makes a left hand turn, one kilometre upstream from the bridge at O'Sheas Crossing.



right: the canoeist and the local fisherman. Photo shows the post gate through the wire fence below the recreation reserve.