

Up to My Neck in High Muddy Waters

recorded by The Greenbriar Boys in F

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The musical score is written in F major (one flat) and common time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff is an instrumental introduction. The second staff begins the vocal melody with the lyrics 'And now I'll swim a - shore for I must make it, Al - though I'm'. The third staff continues with 'up to my neck in high mud - dy wat - er.' The fourth staff contains the chorus: 'Now the wat - er's deep and wide, can't hold out long this way, If / Now I see the dis - tant stir, and I hear a reck - less sound, And / Now the sun has ris - en late, but I'm safe at last, my friend, Deep'. The fifth staff concludes with 'I could stem the tide, per - haps I'd find a way. / some - thing seems to say I'm bound for high - er ground. / wat - er was my fate, and now I've reached the end.' Chords are indicated above the staff: C, F, G7, C, Am, F, Dm, G7, C, F, Em, Dm, G7, C, F, Em, Dm, G7, C.

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