North Fork Crow River - Wildlife Park Access

Map



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The access at Wildlife Park is part of the Wright County Parks system. It is located four miles north of Cokato north of the junction of 10th Street SW on Orth Avenue SW. Features of this park include a picnic area and two canoe campsites.

The access is very steep and only canoes may be launched. Water levels at 500 cubic feet per second make for fairly easy canoeing. Mean monthly flows for 10 years are above this level so canoeing should be possible during the summer months in most years.

Canoeing and Scenery

It's a trip of only 8 miles downstream to Albright's Mill but it can take several hours to negotiate all the meanders, windfalls and trees. The North Fork of the Crow flows through flood plain forest with associated wetlands. Sand and silt are common substrates

Fishing

Three kinds of redhorse (sucker family) are common in the North Fork of the Crow River. Silver redhorse have a dusky gray color whereas the fins of shorthead redhorse can be bright red. The golden redhorse is aptly named for the golden appearance of its scales. These species inhabit fast water and can be taken with hook and night crawler. Young of the year of these species provide forage for all the game fish including northern pike, walleye and channel catfish.

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