

AT A GLANCE: Centennial State Forest

Location	Cass County
Proposed Classification:	Limited
Highway-Licensed Vehicles:	May be used on designated forest roads.
Off-Highway Vehicles:	May be used on designated forest roads and trails.
Area (acres)	3,394 state-administered
Natural Resource Profile	Dispersed wetlands surrounded by higher and dryer tracts of land The terrain is generally flat The major forest cover types are aspen and red pine with smaller acreages of ash, cedar, spruce and tamarack
Current Uses	Forestry, seasonal recreation, tourism, hunting
Recreation Types	Snowmobiling, off-highway vehicle riding, camping, hunting, trapping, wildlife watching

Designation Summary	Approximate miles
Miles of existing route to be designated SFR	6.35
Miles of existing route to be designated MMR	4.58

Forest History:

Centennial State Forest was designated by the Minnesota Legislature in 2016. The Forest is comprised of 640 acres of School Trust Land and approximately 2,751 acres of donated land. Current land uses include timber management, wildlife habitat and recreation. Popular recreation uses include OHV and snowmobile riding, dispersed camping, fishing and hunting. Current recreational amenities include one grant in aid snowmobile trail and an unimproved access to Camp Two Lake. No other developed recreational facilities are being planned at this time.

Planning Efforts

Because the forest is a new addition to the DNR, the forest must go through the Department's motor vehicle use classification. The DNR held a public open house, attended by over 30 citizens on February 1, 2017 and a subsequent comment period from January 18-February 15, 2017, where 57 comments were received. Based upon comments received, historic use and the classification of nearby state forest lands, the DNR is proposing a limited classification. A limited classification means all forest roads are open to off-highway vehicles and forest trails are closed to motor vehicles unless posted open. The DNR is proposing 6.35 miles of system forest roads and 4.58 miles of minimum maintenance roads through this plan as well.

OHV = Off-highway vehicle (includes ATV, OHM, ORV)

ATV = All-terrain vehicle

OHM = Off-highway motorcycle

ORV = Off-road vehicle (includes 4-wheel drive vehicles; does not include ATVs/OHMs)

SFR = System forest road

MMR = Minimum maintenance road