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	Comment Text	Response Date
 Find	1. Preserve as much land as possible NOW through purchase. Develop horse trails through park.	Wed, 1/2/08 5:37 AM
 Find	2. In addition to the land set aside for the state park, a state park would allow people to have a public base camp to explore the 365 islands and the 1200 miles of shoreline of this lake. Keeping the land from extensive development and allowing the DNR to create a sustainable plan for public utilization is the best way to utilize the very scarce resource available at this time. Allowing for camping, hiking and natural areas would help preserve this land for future generations to admire.	Tue, 1/1/08 11:03 PM
 Find	3. Try not to make it a playground (keep it natural)	Tue, 1/1/08 10:36 PM
 Find	4. winter cabins and secluded hiking camps horse trails and camps	Tue, 1/1/08 6:11 PM
 Find	5. Bike and walking trails. 12 mile loops.	Tue, 1/1/08 12:58 PM
 Find	6. Try and build around what is there and reuse everything.	Tue, 1/1/08 12:47 PM
 Find	7. Park for all for ever	Tue, 1/1/08 10:53 AM
 Find	8. No ATV trails or motorized rec vehicles. I would also like to see campsites with drive in, drop off only and a car park for vehicles outside the camping area. No electric sites for the giant campers RV's to preserve the site in a more pristine and green manner and make it an actual camping park. There are plenty of places for the big RV's to go and it would be nice to have a park that does not provide campsites for them - the issues are they are gas hogs, bring electric lights into the park, are noisy, etc. I would like to see the park have a green theme in keeping the land or brining it back to a more natural state.	Tue, 1/1/08 10:39 AM
 Find	9. The state has the opportunity to acquire and develop the land in the proposed park so that state residents will have a wide variety of options such as camping, fishing, hiking, biking, and areas left alone as preserves for wildlife of all kinds.	Tue, 1/1/08 10:06 AM
 Find	10. Provide a variety of camping opportunities and make sure the rustic camping spots aren't too close together. I would like to see the majority of the sites rustic in nature and relatively inexpensive. It's OK to have spots for the big motorhomes; my parents have a 40ft. diesel and it would be important to have sites to accomadate that size vehicle, but those shouldn't be the main focus. I'd also like to see a lot of walking/hiking/bike trails developed paths throughtout the property	Tue, 1/1/08 10:04 AM
 Find	11. only small "green" buildings - log buildings allowed. Campgrounds (no huge motorhomes)	Tue, 1/1/08 10:03 AM
 Find	12. Primitive and developed camping areas available to RV and tenting.	Tue, 1/1/08 9:22 AM
 Find	13. Provide wooded campsites in natural settings to allow privacy for campers and habitat for wildlife. Please don't cut the trees and create a large open field for camping like those we have seen in some state parks. I would rather have fewer campsites and more wooded areas preserved.	Mon, 12/31/07 10:55 PM
 Find	14. the 3000 acres should provide several areas for reflection, yet options for groups to walk lakeside or among the tall pines - utilize natural features for maximum contact with people. Avoid using this area as just another state campground	Mon, 12/31/07 10:16 PM
 Find	15. Maintain natural wilderness look.	Mon, 12/31/07 10:00 PM
 Find	16. Prevent deforestation and maintain asthetic appeal of what is expected for a state park and this area.	Mon, 12/31/07 7:03 PM

 Find	17. The multiple benefits of preserving a significant piece of natural Minnesota will benefit (and could educate) Minnesotans through recreation use and natural resource education purposes.	Mon, 12/31/07 6:48 PM
 Find	18. Manage the wildlife through hunting. Open up the park to a low-impact trail system so people can backpack and hike around the park year round. Outflow motorized vehicles on the park trails.	Mon, 12/31/07 4:55 PM
 Find	19. Restrict motorized 'recreation' (aka destruction) from all parts of the proposed park.	Mon, 12/31/07 4:10 PM
 Find	20. I think it is very important to have an accessible campground. One that includes electrical sites, non-electrical sites and primitive sites so that all can enjoy the park according to their abilities.	Mon, 12/31/07 3:54 PM
 Find	21. Two seperate entrances to the Park. One for campers, boats, Park Tourists, and a second for tent camping. Families, Scouts Etc.	Mon, 12/31/07 3:52 PM
 Find	22. same	Mon, 12/31/07 3:47 PM
 Find	23. An interpretive trail would be nice.	Mon, 12/31/07 3:32 PM
 Find	24. Enable the flora and fauna to thrive with a minimum of degradation caused by human activities.	Mon, 12/31/07 3:20 PM
 Find	25. Disturb the land as little as possible. Make campsites with minimal tree removal. Don't crown the campsites too close together.	Mon, 12/31/07 3:16 PM
 Find	26. Absolutely NO use of ATVs should be considered. Snowmobiles in limited amount might be ok but ATVs and OHVs are repulsive and do not allow other users to have a recreational experience.	Mon, 12/31/07 3:10 PM
 Find	27. Camping sites with campfire area, toilet facilities as at Trout Lake Boundary Waters camp sites. Maybe some hiking trails/cross country ski trails through the new state forest.	Mon, 12/31/07 2:48 PM
 Find	28. NO horse trails. NO snowmobiles trails. Add a hiking club trail with password sign. Camping for all sized rv's and trailers. Tents and non-electric campers in a separate area for more quiet - back to nature camping. Year-round camper cabins. Plan for future geocaching opportunities.	Mon, 12/31/07 2:46 PM
 Find	29. accomplish - lake access for poor people/non land owners. avoid - heavy lake traffic/overuse of natural resources and disruption of natural environment.	Mon, 12/31/07 2:09 PM
 Find	30. We really like campgrounds with sites that are well spaced out. Having a fresh start in this park, please consider making all campsites spaced out and well sheltered from each other to encourage a more natural experience. We also really like walk-in and cart-in campsites. It may be nice to have a couple of sites along the lake. From looking at the information that is presented, it is difficult to tell if the DNR would own any of the islands off of the mainland. If so, it would be nice to have a few canoe-in campsites on an island. In the winter it would be nice to have Yurts to cross-country ski to. Also, a few year round camper cabins would be great for winter activities. Hiking is also an important feature to add. More is detailed in the Scenic Features section.	Mon, 12/31/07 12:35 PM
 Find	31. Utilizing the property for all types of use needs to be included in the plan. Trail for hikers, bikers, snowmobiles combined with camping and day visitors as well. Hunting is an absolute must.	Mon, 12/31/07 12:23 PM
 Find	32. Maintained hiking and biking trails, especialy mountain bike trails.	Mon, 12/31/07 11:57 AM
 Find	33. Leave large trees around the parking area and landing so the trees are seen from the water.	Mon, 12/31/07 11:48 AM
 Find	34. Maintain remaining natural features on an otherwise overdeveloped lake. Maintain public access to shoreline, forests, and open space.	Mon, 12/31/07 10:29 AM

 Find	35. campground, picnic area, hiking trails	Mon, 12/31/07 10:15 AM
 Find	36. Hiking and XC Ski Trails	Mon, 12/31/07 9:48 AM
 Find	37. preserve as many natural resources ie trees and rocks that line lake vermilion	Mon, 12/31/07 9:38 AM
 Find	38. Don't allow timber harvest except that which produces a healthy, pre-settlement forest/ecosystem.	Mon, 12/31/07 8:52 AM
 Find	39. Biking, hiking, snowmobile and a connector ATV trail (If this fits into the system). Connect trails into others in the area. Demonstration areas for forest and land management techniques. Rain gardens (storm water ponds) shown and explained.	Mon, 12/31/07 5:37 AM
 Find	40. Minimize changes to topography. Do not disturb islands	Sun, 12/30/07 9:37 PM
 Find	41. multiple use: hiking trails, ATV trails, Snowmobile trails--lets make this a park for everyone--picnic areas for day use--a pavilion for group picnics or parties--communal fire pit for group use--restrooms conveniently located	Sun, 12/30/07 9:27 PM
 Find	42. Preservation and conservation are critically important. Recreational activities on the land should be low-impact.	Sun, 12/30/07 3:10 PM
 Find	43. Hiking and cross country ski trails.	Sun, 12/30/07 12:22 PM
 Find	44. Better control of how the land is developed and managed.	Sun, 12/30/07 10:34 AM
 Find	45. no off-road vehicles allowed except by park employees performing official functions and emergency vehicles	Sat, 12/29/07 10:51 PM
 Find	46. Make lots and lots of hiking, skiing, biking, etc. trails. Lots and lots of trails.	Sat, 12/29/07 10:44 PM
 Find	47. Hiking,cross country and snowshoe trails. Wilderness camping for youth groups and others.	Sat, 12/29/07 8:11 PM
 Find	48. Prevent any sedimentary deposits to the lake and disturb the earth as little as possible	Sat, 12/29/07 7:20 PM
 Find	49. We like the park concept. Public lands are a must in order to allow people of all income brackets to enjoy our natural resources especially on Lake Vermillion, as development has pushed land prices beyond the reach of most working/ middle income families. They need a place to be able to visit during vacations and get away to regenerate also. MN has a heritage of "going to the lake" during the summer. We need to preserve places to allow that heritage to continue.	Sat, 12/29/07 3:08 PM
 Find	50. The Cuyuna Range State Rec.area is a good example of a park that has not been developed to its full potential due to underfunding.	Sat, 12/29/07 2:46 PM
 Find	51. Responsibly-developed camping and picnic areas, which allow for enjoying, appreciating, and learning about this beautiful and valuable area of our state.	Sat, 12/29/07 1:42 PM
 Find	52. Prevent large scale private development	Sat, 12/29/07 12:51 PM
 Find	53. It would be nice to see this land undeveloped and open to all.	Sat, 12/29/07 11:00 AM
 Find	54. The parcel of land under consideration is the largest section without development reachable by road	Sat, 12/29/07 10:33 AM
 Find	55. maintain and/or increase access to public land in Minnesota for recreational purposes	Sat, 12/29/07 9:58 AM
 Find	56. A park would hopefully keep the land in a more natural state.	Sat, 12/29/07 7:19 AM
 Find	57. preserve but with vision of future needs of animals and humans.. let make the best we can today for tomorrow!	Sat, 12/29/07 7:16 AM
 Find	58. Preserve the land as much as possible and avoid removing any trees or natural foliage and beauty that exists on the land around the lake.	Sat, 12/29/07 7:10 AM

 Find	59. Please give us dirt trails, simple dirt trails, for horseback riding. Thanks Just a path is fine!!!	Fri, 12/28/07 8:33 PM
 Find	60. public use over land developers prophets	Fri, 12/28/07 7:32 PM
 Find	61. Hike-in sites	Fri, 12/28/07 2:46 PM
 Find	62. Why allow the possibility of people from another state to grab up land for a short term one sided benifit. Aquire this land for the people of Mn and other states to enjoy as a whole.	Fri, 12/28/07 1:55 PM
 Find	63. Provide camping for tents to RV's, hiking and biking trails with scenic overlooks.	Fri, 12/28/07 1:53 PM
 Find	64. Would very much like to see this area open for Equistrian trail riding and camping. (Such as Forestville State Park facilities.)	Fri, 12/28/07 11:08 AM
 Find	65. Camping available with several rustic/tent sites near water's edge, other spots with electrical hookups for RV's in same area close to beach. "Wilderness" campsites away from the water in the middle of the forest would also be nice, as would walking trails within the camping/beach/boat landing area. All land area off-limits to ATV use.	Fri, 12/28/07 10:52 AM
 Find	66. Land around Vermilion is being developed and ruining the reason the lake is so beautiful. A park would enable everybody to enjoy the beauty of the lake in it's natural splendor. Once a property is developed, it never will have that northwoods feel again.	Fri, 12/28/07 10:37 AM
 Find	67. Provide recreational opportunities while also providing a somewhat primitive environment to "get away and enjoy".	Fri, 12/28/07 10:27 AM
 Find	68. I would like to see multi use trails, specifically horse back riding with primitive camping available.	Fri, 12/28/07 10:17 AM
 Find	69. WANT; hiking trails. biking trails, both mtn bikes & standard bikes. cross country ski trails. 250 site campground. (or fewer campsites in conjunction with camper cabins like Big Bog State Park by Red Lk.) interpretive info on the geological features of this region. DO NOT WANT; ATV trails.	Fri, 12/28/07 9:33 AM
 Find	70. Hiking and skiing and birdwatching. I snowmobile and ski, and there are lots of snowmobile trails, but not so many for skiing and hiking.	Fri, 12/28/07 9:17 AM
 Find	71. No ATV's! Provide hiking trails - some short trails for young children.	Fri, 12/28/07 8:23 AM
 Find	72. I believe a park would preserve more of the land than having it privately developed and would retain more of the natural state of the land.	Fri, 12/28/07 7:19 AM
 Find	73. Leave alot of the area as it now	Fri, 12/28/07 7:17 AM
 Find	74. Camp Sites with Showers	Fri, 12/28/07 12:54 AM
 Find	75. I would like many camp sites, both modern (easy acess to electricity and running water) and primitive (very little to no electricity, water pumps). Walking paths would also be quite convenient. Beyond this, minimal development would be appreciated.	Thu, 12/27/07 9:42 PM
 Find	76. Avoiding large-scale drive-in camping sites would be nice, they get too crowded and the existing state parks already have enough of them. More backcountry sites, and/or more dispersed car-camp sites would be a good option. Rustic camping cabins should be considered as well.	Thu, 12/27/07 9:14 PM
 Find	77. abundance of camp sites-both modern and primitive	Thu, 12/27/07 8:46 PM
 Find	78. lots of trails! I would like trails to run on in summer/spring/fall and be able to x-country ski on them in winter.	Thu, 12/27/07 8:07 PM
 Find	79. Would like to see an area to do ATV type activities. I believe this aera would be ideal to open up to ATV vehicles of size 700 or less. IT would be nice to see this connected with	Thu, 12/27/07 6:12 PM

	old rail road grades in the area with the ability to ATV to the state park, Tower, Soudan and McKinley park. In addtiion to ATV trails bike trails to adjoin to exiting bike trailers. As far as speed of ATV on trails, I would prefer to see the speed limits set at 25 Mph.	
 Find	80. establish a 'tents only' camping area in addition to a trailer/rv camping sites with water adjacent	Thu, 12/27/07 5:28 PM
 Find	81. Horseback riding trails. These should be for horses and hikers only to provide for a quiet, nature experience. We have too many atv and motorcycle trails.	Thu, 12/27/07 5:05 PM
 Find	82. Excessive disturbance of natural landscape.	Thu, 12/27/07 2:12 PM
 Find	83. To open horse trails and camping for people with horses.	Thu, 12/27/07 1:44 PM
 Find	84. Trails and more trails. Limit roads, buildings, etc.	Thu, 12/27/07 12:31 PM
 Find	85. Preserve and Conserve the Shoreline and surrounding area from Private Development	Thu, 12/27/07 12:25 PM
 Find	86. Campground, ATV Trails. Snowmobile Trails	Thu, 12/27/07 12:21 PM
 Find	87. Keep as much of the undisturbed as possible while providing services, such as camping.	Thu, 12/27/07 12:11 PM
 Find	88. horse camping and trails system	Thu, 12/27/07 11:58 AM
 Find	89. Horseback riding trails would be nice.	Thu, 12/27/07 11:50 AM
 Find	90. Trails for snowmobiles	Thu, 12/27/07 11:19 AM
 Find	91. I want to go camping. All the lots fill up so very fast so there is plenty of need. Trails and bike paths so I can take the dogs to see and smell all sorts of new things. The kids need to see some nature. I love the programs they had at Whitewater that we participated in. The rangers did an awesome job showing us the features such as the aquatic life in the river and the fossils. My kids are bummed they are unable to go back.	Thu, 12/27/07 10:17 AM
 Find	92. prevent the shoreline to be developed into high rise resorts and luxury housing	Thu, 12/27/07 10:14 AM
 Find	93. No motorized vehicles or if there were multi-use trails. Horse trails would be wonderful and low impact on the land.	Thu, 12/27/07 8:55 AM
 Find	94. Cart in campsites as well as drive in style with electric.	Thu, 12/27/07 8:50 AM
 Find	95. Keep as many trees as possible. Provide ample amount of campgrounds with good access but keep them as private as possible.	Thu, 12/27/07 8:42 AM
 Find	96. Hiking, camping	Thu, 12/27/07 8:03 AM
 Find	97. Would like to see horse back riding at this park	Thu, 12/27/07 2:29 AM
 Find	98. Try not to compete with local tourism lodging. Too many times the DNR comes in and duplicates facilities that are already found in the local area and then provides newer facilities in the park and subsidizes the cost of operation. The last thing the tourism industry needs up there is one more non tax paying entity competing with local business men and women.	Wed, 12/26/07 10:05 PM
 Find	99. Horse trails! Please? Horse trails and as many miles as possible - rough and un-cared for is fine! Please!!!!	Wed, 12/26/07 7:40 PM
 Find	100. horse, hiking and bikke trails - campground for those of us who camp with horses as well as for those who don't	Wed, 12/26/07 7:20 PM
 Find	101. wide variety of trails with designated equestrian trails and equestrain camping designed to accommodate both groups and individuals. Also including water source at minimum usable by horses and rest room facilities (vault toilet units similar to those used in other parks ie Zumbro bottoms, forrestville. Designated hiking trails to encompass remote	Wed, 12/26/07 7:09 PM

birding areas. Winter use trails for cross county skiers, warming shelters in remote areas.
Seasonal hunting.

 Find	102. Trails designed for horse use with camping facilities.	Wed, 12/26/07 6:55 PM
 Find	103. Please add horse trails!!	Wed, 12/26/07 6:36 PM
 Find	104. Preserve the existing forest	Wed, 12/26/07 6:09 PM
 Find	105. NA	Wed, 12/26/07 5:53 PM
 Find	106. Hunting trail for birds etc. that are kept open enough for father son groups. Not usable by ATV's etc. during the birding season.	Wed, 12/26/07 4:37 PM
 Find	107. Accomplish Protection of the natural habitat and avoid development	Wed, 12/26/07 4:18 PM
 Find	108. Land isn't being made anymore, we need to aquire this land before it passes in to the private development domain	Wed, 12/26/07 3:59 PM
 Find	109. I would like to see cross country ski trails and plenty of campsites.	Wed, 12/26/07 3:04 PM
 Find	110. This land should be preserved for future generations as a state park. There is no going back if we lose this opportunity.	Wed, 12/26/07 2:12 PM
 Find	111. Limit the comercialization and development of the area. The state should purchase all they can.	Wed, 12/26/07 12:21 PM
 Find	112. Preserve	Wed, 12/26/07 11:42 AM
 Find	113. electric rv campsites and add some canoe sites	Wed, 12/26/07 11:30 AM
 Find	114. Hiking trails and camp gounds.	Wed, 12/26/07 11:03 AM
 Find	115. Maintain wilderness areas for all to enjoy and avoid over development that leads to degradation of wilderness areas	Wed, 12/26/07 10:41 AM
 Find	116. want rv and tent camping, as well as camper cabins	Wed, 12/26/07 10:31 AM
 Find	117. The area would be ideal for a boat landing for those of us who are on the islands. There are many times a protected area like the area you are proposing for the park would be safer to land at during high winds and waves. I would hope a landing and parking area would be available to islanders much like our Stuntz Bay Association membership. I am on Ely Island directly across from the proposed development, so we will be affected by whatever is done.	Wed, 12/26/07 9:48 AM
 Find	118. Manage timber for long lived species	Wed, 12/26/07 9:01 AM
 Find	119. Trails, secluded camping, shelters for trails	Wed, 12/26/07 8:55 AM
 Find	120. Camp sights should be used by all. Tenters as well as the midsize campers. I am not sure if we need the big "Bus" thype campers that have outdoor TV, etc.	Wed, 12/26/07 8:15 AM
 Find	121. multiple use of this park--ATV's & snowmobiles allowed so everyone, not just the young & fit could use this park--hiking trails--roads so the seniors could take rides & view the scenery	Tue, 12/25/07 10:13 PM
 Find	122. Promote white and red pine regeneration, avoid being a deer sanctuary to the detriment of the pine.	Tue, 12/25/07 8:34 PM
 Find	123. Hiking, Camping, electric-water or sewer would also be nice	Tue, 12/25/07 5:25 PM
 Find	124. I would Love to stay / visit the place camping, it would be nice if there could be individual campground spots with lake access and trails for hiking, not atv / 4-wheelin' - I mean environment-ecosystem friendly, perhaps a lodge type building like the one at J. Cooke State park :)	Tue, 12/25/07 10:52 AM

 Find	125. preserve original scenery	Tue, 12/25/07 9:47 AM
 Find	126. Preserve the quality of the land that contains large diverse trees, that provide habitat for some of our state's most beautiful animals. We need to provide a broadbased type of land based experience that is in keeping with the remote feel of the area. Hopefully we will avoid the development of sporting activities that are not in keeping with the activities that are in the surrounding areas such as the BWCAW.	Tue, 12/25/07 6:33 AM
 Find	127. sAVE THE LAND BY TURNING IT INTO A STATE PARK	Mon, 12/24/07 7:47 PM
 Find	128. Keep it simple, such as it is at Wooden Frog at Voyagers Nat. park.	Mon, 12/24/07 3:07 PM
 Find	129. Should remain as rustic as possible for a state park.	Mon, 12/24/07 1:09 PM
 Find	130. I would encourage "green" buildings and separate trails for hiking. I think this will be a very important addition to MN. I'd also like it to be a truly accessable, but yet wilderness park.	Mon, 12/24/07 12:15 PM
 Find	131. Leave it mostly natural, for hiking, snowshoeing, and related uses. If laws can be met 9or changed to suit), I have no problem with limited timber harvest.	Mon, 12/24/07 12:14 PM
 Find	132. Avoid over development	Mon, 12/24/07 10:05 AM
 Find	133. refuse to let any and all developers build or destroy the area they have destroyed to much already	Mon, 12/24/07 9:14 AM
 Find	134. Allow maximum use while protecting the integrity of the current condition	Mon, 12/24/07 9:05 AM
 Find	135. Use sustainable buildings, green roofs, alternative power including wind etc. Provide lots of hiking and camping . Keep campgrounds small. provide backpacking experiences of all levels.	Mon, 12/24/07 7:43 AM
 Find	136. Leave it as you found it, we don't need another state park!!	Sun, 12/23/07 9:33 PM
 Find	137. Keep the existing plant species under watch, while still allowing for limited foraging and gathering of the park's edible and medicinal plants. Also, if a visitors' center is to be built, use trees from around the site the center is going to be built on to reduce transportation costs and emissions. Creating a cabin-like visitor center would harken back to the pioneer era and could serve as an educational lesson on responsible use/harvesting of lumber.	Sun, 12/23/07 7:04 PM
 Find	138. Spread out campsites so they are private enough to enjoy the quietness and natural beauty of the area.	Sun, 12/23/07 3:40 PM
 Find	139. Lake side camping with docs, the rocky shoreline makes "beaching" boats difficult	Sun, 12/23/07 10:49 AM
 Find	140. Bearhead Lake's primary appeal is the remote feeling of the camp sites. While I appreciate the fact accommodations are needed for hard-sided units, they should be in located in their own campsite circle, well away from all 'rustic' sites. Again, Bearhead's heavily forested camp sites are wonderful. Keep them as far apart as practical and use the fire grates that do not have grilling attachments. Close sites on a rotating basis every few years to permit eco-recovery. I realize the BWCAW offers a wilderness experience, however, this new park should consider visitors that choose not to adventure into that area. Group sites should be a considerable distance from other campsite locations, however, the Park Station should located a reasonable distance from the campgrounds. Assure plenty of quality wood bundles are available for visitor purchase as locating 'approved vendors' is not always easy.	Sun, 12/23/07 10:47 AM
 Find	141. Provide full, state of the art recreational ammenities. Avoid sensitive areas.	Sun, 12/23/07 10:24 AM
 Find	142. The state, county, and local agencies are doing an effective job maintaining the laws on land use. I don't believe there is justification for the extreme increase in taxes on lake shore property imposed by the counties. An area of concern for me is how much the	Sun, 12/23/07 10:06 AM

	existing commercial businesses on the lake will be allowed to grow, not just on the shoreline but also inland. This is affecting the biology of the lake nearby.	
 Find	143. allow atv's, produce good trails. Well marked	Sun, 12/23/07 9:40 AM
 Find	144. walking, ATV and snowmobile trails	Sun, 12/23/07 9:28 AM
 Find	145. Campground that can accomodate large campers (over 30 ft lenght) with full hookups. - Tree's in the campsites for shade - Picnic tables and fire rings at each campsite - Easy beach access from campground - Playground in campground or close by - ATV trails and access from campground - Trails for ATVs	Sun, 12/23/07 8:51 AM
 Find	146. Again keep as much as possible the way it is.	Sun, 12/23/07 12:57 AM
 Find	147. Create numerous walk-in camp sites. Create several smaller campgrounds rather than one or two large ones. Keep as much space and as much vegetation screen between each camp site as possible. Create a common open grassy area around each restroom. This provides a place for kids to play. Consider adding some bike trails as well.	Sat, 12/22/07 11:17 PM
 Find	148. Please keep ATV's out. They make too much noise and do too much damage.	Sat, 12/22/07 9:39 PM
 Find	149. Make the area accessible to walkers, campers and bicyclists. No OHV's.	Sat, 12/22/07 4:40 PM
 Find	150. All levels of camping: primitive, tent and RV. Please keep them grouped accordingly, so tenters aren't listening to the drone of generators and AC units. Keep human contact area clustered so that more acreage is left intact.	Sat, 12/22/07 2:02 PM
 Find	151. Purchase of the land offered by US Steel. Many people support this purchase.	Sat, 12/22/07 12:12 PM
 Find	152. leave as much as possible alone. leave it natural.	Sat, 12/22/07 11:08 AM
 Find	153. Trails for ATVs and snowmobiling	Sat, 12/22/07 10:53 AM
 Find	154. Some trails to ride an ATV. Campground.	Sat, 12/22/07 10:35 AM
 Find	155. Campsites for tents, with good shade and space. Have these sepearte from the RV sites. Have some group campsites for scouts and youth groups available. Lots of hiking trails would be nice. Shelters along hiking trails are good, along with some interpretive signs. A fishing pier would be good, too. A good interpretive center is important. Interpretive programs are great, maybe an amphitheater with firering.	Sat, 12/22/07 10:35 AM
 Find	156. The park must have a wildlife loop instead of one road reaching out as that plan will be a disaster causing back and forth traffic pile-ups. From the proposed map it appears you allready have the other road so just conect the two to make the loop.	Sat, 12/22/07 5:54 AM
 Find	157. waterfront is too expensive to own and we need to have some public land to use on the lake!!	Fri, 12/21/07 11:17 PM
 Find	158. I love the proposals made so far... hiking trails, education, camping, hunting... limited ATV use (although I have one) maybe only used on gravel trails or even after freeze to get to camp sites. My preference would be to keep this as primitive as possible with hunting/fishing/camping year round. This is a great opportunity for education on carry in carry out... leave no trace!	Fri, 12/21/07 10:04 PM
 Find	159. Maintain as much as possible in its natural state, without motorized trails. OHVs have already overrun much of our public lands. Do not allow for their use in this state park.	Fri, 12/21/07 9:00 PM
 Find	160. avoid an over-asphalting of the area, keep roads and trails more primitive	Fri, 12/21/07 8:38 PM
 Find	161. Campground, bike and hiking trails.	Fri, 12/21/07 6:32 PM
 Find	162. to much run off with house in place around the lakes	Fri, 12/21/07 6:30 PM

 Find	163. Minimize development areas and take advantage of existing cleared areas. Pick and choose being mindful of slopes to minimize erosion. Consider long term maintenance implications in all aspects of designed features.	Fri, 12/21/07 6:14 PM
 Find	164. keep most of it in its natural state	Fri, 12/21/07 5:48 PM
 Find	165. A State Park would preserve the land for many to enjoy the lake. Too much property development will crowd the lake.	Fri, 12/21/07 4:55 PM
 Find	166. how about an ATV trails and closed riding area in the back half of the property with whoops, hill climbs, drag race area, kind of a free roam area and so on which could also be used with snowmobiles in the winter months and charge a fee for a seasonal pass. for maintenance and enforcement. maybe you could look to Arizona and California as they have this type of set up why can't there be one here in MN. Split the property and keep the lake side for the traditional park side with boating, hikeing, bycycles paths then set up the off road area back away from the lake. kill two birds with one stone. and this is would bring more money than any other park in MN hands down	Fri, 12/21/07 4:53 PM
 Find	167. rental cabins and camping sites	Fri, 12/21/07 4:48 PM
 Find	168. Campsites with elect. Shower and flushing toilets.	Fri, 12/21/07 4:41 PM
 Find	169. keep the scenic shoreline intact, no housing, possibly a dnr/state park campground. Hunter walking trails. hiking trails. primitive campsites?	Fri, 12/21/07 3:41 PM
 Find	170. Hiking trails that range from very easy, i.e. handicap accessible, to very rugged, i.e. unpaved hill climbing, would be appreciated. Also, it would be nice to provide opportunities for wilderness camping.	Fri, 12/21/07 3:36 PM
 Find	171. The rocky cliffs and abundant low lands are not condusive to dense development and should be avoided where ever possible. Not privately developed.	Fri, 12/21/07 3:06 PM
 Find	172. campground - RVs and motorhomes away from the lake, and tents and small campers closer to the lake. Picnic area	Fri, 12/21/07 2:13 PM
 Find	173. Allow a combination of camping opportunities (primitive to modern) using all of the sustainable developement technology. This could be a real learning experience for all lake shore residents.	Fri, 12/21/07 1:47 PM
 Find	174. Year around use is a must-- avoid disturbing the shoreline impact zone as much as possible	Fri, 12/21/07 12:50 PM
 Find	175. If the goal is to preserve and then interpret features that existed prior to settlement then it is necessary to not further settle the land. While there is lots of land in MN in parks there is a lack of interpretation.	Fri, 12/21/07 12:49 PM
 Find	176. Several miles of hiking trails should be established.	Fri, 12/21/07 12:48 PM
 Find	177. Do not create structures, services or resources that need maintenance. (I.E. trash cans, bathrooms, docks, boat landings, picnic tables, etc.)	Fri, 12/21/07 11:25 AM
 Find	178. Use everything around and incorporate in the construction of common buildings. Build around whats already there.	Fri, 12/21/07 9:43 AM
 Find	179. Hiking and MTN biking would be great. Minimize any effects on the view from the lake	Fri, 12/21/07 9:24 AM
 Find	180. Develop the park with minimal lakeshore impact. I suspect this can be accomplished with a lot less impact than the alternative of a housing development going in.	Fri, 12/21/07 9:03 AM
 Find	181. Provide camping sites electric or non and I would like to see them preserve the natural landscape and be as secluded as possible.	Fri, 12/21/07 8:07 AM
 Find	182. Trails for skiing and hiking should be expanded. More extensive trial system would be nice. Colorado has done a nice job handling the hikers with their trail systems and maps.	Fri, 12/21/07 7:33 AM

If a RV camp ground is established, make it close to the existing State Park and utilize the town's utilities of sewer and water.

 Find	183. Provide primitive boat in sites similar to Hinsdale Island	Thu, 12/20/07 11:49 PM
 Find	184. Limit motorized vehicles Some land without trails - left wild	Thu, 12/20/07 6:07 PM
 Find	185. Low density hiking trails, no ATVs Low density camping sites (drive in, walk in and back country) Keep out invasives	Thu, 12/20/07 3:08 PM
 Find	186. Please preserve one of the last areas of natural wood land for future generations.	Thu, 12/20/07 2:28 PM
 Find	187. A similiar strategy could be used as outlined in my suggestions for the water resources. A better understanding of the land resources and how they have evolved over the course of time. For instance, the forest was once made up of very different species of tress than the current forest. the change in the forest has influenced a change in the wildlife over the course of time.	Thu, 12/20/07 1:21 PM
 Find	188. No offroad trails. No snowmobile trails. These motorized machines just damage the land and cause erosion. Plenty of hiking and cross counrty ski trails.	Thu, 12/20/07 1:15 PM
 Find	189. A nice hiking trail system through out the park.Make part of it paved for the handicapped. A couple of camping areas one for the trailer and motorhome type of camping and a couple of rustic or primitave camping. Well spaced from each other and no reservations allowed.	Thu, 12/20/07 11:58 AM
 Find	190. Protecting any land in todays realestate climate is difficult. It is also importnat. As was mentioend in the intorduction to this comment page, if we do not do it now we wil not get another chance. At some point there were difficult decisions made, money found, and effort from the government at many levels, the public and advocacy groups to create the parks that we have now. Let's do it agian. When this park is created all Minnsotans will be proud.	Thu, 12/20/07 10:01 AM
 Find	191. Accomplish: preserve and protect Avoid: disruption of natural habitat	Thu, 12/20/07 10:00 AM
 Find	192. Have spacious and private campgrounds located near the lake. Have an area where boats can be tied up over night on the water.	Thu, 12/20/07 8:17 AM
 Find	193. The state park system has thus far placed most state parks with reasonable size limit restrictions without crowding and damaging the surrounding resources.	Wed, 12/19/07 8:31 PM
 Find	194. Presently land resources on Lake Vermilion need to be reviewed. The Tower end of the Lake shows total disregard to zoning regulations. It appears the land owners try to outdo each other with the size of their dewlings. By far they do not blend in with the surrounding trees, rock out croppings, etc. The park would preserve a small section of the lake this generation and future generations to enjoy. The cost of lake shore property is becoming prohibitive to the working class people, and a park would give us an access to the beauty of Lake Vermilion	Wed, 12/19/07 8:09 PM
 Find	195. tHIS WOULD SEEM LIKE PERFECT PLACE TO HIKE WITH GOOD MAPPING AND BENCHES ALONG THE WAY TO REST AND A FEW PICNIC AREAS WOULD GIVE FAMILIES A GREAT PLACE TO EXPLORE AND DISCOVER THE LAND AND EACH OTHER.	Wed, 12/19/07 7:11 PM
 Find	196. develop RV-park so the less fortunate have a place they can still come too..	Wed, 12/19/07 6:41 PM
 Find	197. It is too near the BWCA plus other state and county parks. The land should be sold for private development and remain on the tax rolls.	Wed, 12/19/07 5:48 PM
 Find	198. We need to inform fishermen of the danger of throwing away earthworms they don't use to avoid the loss of native plant communities that have been noted in some areas. Also build cross country ski trails and hiking trails, but no snowmobile or ATV trails in keeping	Wed, 12/19/07 4:49 PM

with the wilderness aims of the park.

 Find	199. Maintain the present character of the land	Wed, 12/19/07 4:14 PM
 Find	200. Have it open for hunting every year.	Wed, 12/19/07 3:59 PM
 Find	201. Campground, A large shelter for receptions and reunions.	Wed, 12/19/07 3:19 PM
 Find	202. The campground should be spaced enough apart from eachother that while you're eating at your picnic table or at your campfire you don't have to look at your neighbors right next to you. I love the back loops at Itasca for their privacy and rings of trees and brush around them. That private camping experience makes me go back to revisit those great campsites. One other feature from Itasca that is really nice is the lantern posts in the campsites. I really like that extra touch. i would like a scenic hiking trail taking me past the largest red & white & jack pines of the area. to me a good hike is at least 4 miles, so more than 4 miles of hiking trails would be something to keep me coming back again & again. I love the hiking club. snowshoeing trails would also be good to have for winter time	Wed, 12/19/07 2:43 PM
 Find	203. Provide various types of camping experiences (RVs or tents) for limited periods of time. Do not allow RVs to take up spots for the whole summer, for example. This is an opportunity for the "working-person" family to access the lake now that most of the shoreline is owned by people of significant means who can afford the upkeep and the high taxes. Save the "cedar swamp" for snowshoeing in the winter time when it is full of animals.	Wed, 12/19/07 2:10 PM
 Find	204. Full 30amp electric/water hook ups for RV	Wed, 12/19/07 2:05 PM
 Find	205. Maintain the wilderness atmosphere--give people a choice--Vermilion for a wilderness experience, Brainerd for a party atmosphere	Wed, 12/19/07 1:46 PM
 Find	206. Watershed health	Wed, 12/19/07 1:29 PM
 Find	207. Hiking trails and a playground for kids.	Wed, 12/19/07 1:02 PM
 Find	208. Allow for a larger 'footprint' at each campsite. I avoid the state parks along 35WN to the Canadian boarder because there is overcrowding and a sence of clastraphobia.	Wed, 12/19/07 12:33 PM
 Find	209. Walking/hiking trails and camping. Native wildlife and plants, especially birds and wildflowers.	Wed, 12/19/07 12:13 PM
 Find	210. camp sites and hiking trails along with nature studies etc.	Wed, 12/19/07 12:05 PM
 Find	211. camping on a scale similiar to Cascade or Gooseberry-hiking and x-sking trails with multiple access points-interpetive center with habit information	Wed, 12/19/07 11:38 AM
 Find	212. Make the park hidden in the beautiful trees and make the the facilities blend with the natural setting. Nice hiking trails.	Wed, 12/19/07 11:04 AM
 Find	213. Protect this land by making it a state park. Keep the new state park as natural as possible.	Wed, 12/19/07 11:02 AM
 Find	214. Keep the park as pristine and natural as possible. Keep out logging and other industrial activities.	Wed, 12/19/07 10:24 AM
 Find	215. Trails for cross country skiing and hiking should be developed. Current snowmobile routes can be utilized for hiking access.	Wed, 12/19/07 10:00 AM
 Find	216. Trails, Trails and more trails. Hiking. Backpacking only camping area. Motorized and non-motorized trails. Camping sites - tent only areas. Motorhome only areas. Seperate camping areas for different types of camping experiences. Minimize the paved trails and roads in the park.	Wed, 12/19/07 9:57 AM
 Find	217. Preserve as much as possible with still allowing the public to appreciate and enjoy the north woods wilderness.	Wed, 12/19/07 9:53 AM

 Find	218. Locate the public boat launch away from the private properties already on the lake. Provide adequate parking for those using the boat launch so cars/trucks are not parked along the road like what happens at Stuntz Bay. Add adequate trash disposal so garbage is not dumped on the side of the road or in the ditches as what happens now.	Wed, 12/19/07 9:30 AM
 Find	219. Balancing year-round recreation use with protecting sensitive species in the Boreal forest is the challenge. Recognizing the boreal forest as a unique ecosystem, and helping people to appreciate the natural and cultural resources is key. Non-motorized Trails, visitor centers, back-country and developed campgrounds can all be created with this in mind. State Parks should be the example of sustainability and low impact on the land.	Wed, 12/19/07 9:27 AM
 Find	220. The Park should be a wilderness state park with limited recreational development. A good model to emulate would be Maine's Baxter State Park or Michigan's Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park. This would be something new for the State Park System.	Wed, 12/19/07 9:12 AM
 Find	221. More great campsites on the lake.	Wed, 12/19/07 9:12 AM
 Find	222. Acquiring significant land for future generations to use is a requirement. Dispersed development should consider noise travel to provide a quality user experience	Wed, 12/19/07 9:06 AM
 Find	223. Protect open water from non-point source pollution.	Wed, 12/19/07 8:34 AM
 Find	224. Again minimal impact. Spacing camp sites. Walking trails kept natural.	Wed, 12/19/07 8:17 AM
 Find	225. Cabins (log style) similar to those found at other State Parks such as Wild River State Park. Shower/bathing facilities for campsites.	Wed, 12/19/07 8:15 AM
 Find	226. Camping	Wed, 12/19/07 8:14 AM
 Find	227. Primitive camp sites, mountain bike trails, hiking trails,	Wed, 12/19/07 8:12 AM
 Find	228. Preserve the land in it's natural state. Some roads, parking lots and building are necessarily buy should be carefully studied on where to put them based on the topography. Hiking trails should also be developed. There should be areas that are off limits with no hiking off the trails.	Wed, 12/19/07 7:37 AM
 Find	229. Camping & Bike paths - lots of them	Wed, 12/19/07 7:08 AM
 Find	230. Avoid clearing trees, new road ways, NO ATV or SNOWMOBILE TRAILS. HUNTING NOT ALLOWED. Encourage more natural settings such as hiking, skiing, snowshoing trails. Avoid campgrounds, motorized access near currently existing land ownership; primarily Armstrong Bay area. Keep the natural settings that exist today.	Wed, 12/19/07 7:06 AM
 Find	231. camping facilities and trails	Wed, 12/19/07 6:35 AM
 Find	232. Camp sites, trails for hiking and biking. Open for hunting	Tue, 12/18/07 11:07 PM
 Find	233. paddle in remote campsites are a must, many believe that camping is something done out in nature, not in a large circle surrounded by tents. people love the BWCA for this reason. lets continue to add more of these remote campsites.	Tue, 12/18/07 10:02 PM
 Find	234. Want - Camping for tenters, bear boxes if needed, access for handicapped. Allow berry picking	Tue, 12/18/07 9:45 PM
 Find	235. Keep the land in a pure form with walking paths and nothing more. DO NOT ALLOW THE USE OF ATV'S! PLEASE!!! Place information plaquards next to area's of scientific or historic importance.	Tue, 12/18/07 9:35 PM
 Find	236. The land should be kept in it's natural state as much as possible. No ATV or snowmobile trails. Provide adequate RV sites so many can enjoy the park.	Tue, 12/18/07 8:50 PM

 Find	237. To keep more land open to outdoor activities like hiking, snowmobile trails, camping, as time goes by, the land that is already set aside may not be enough for when the population grows so big that that it will not get over crowded.	Tue, 12/18/07 7:25 PM
 Find	238. camp grounds, some with hookups leaving the landscape as natural as possible, hiking and biking trails with the same caveat to be used as ski trails in winter	Tue, 12/18/07 7:20 PM
 Find	239. Keep any camping area small! The camp sites should be slit 50 -50 . Some with hook ups ect and some for tenting.	Tue, 12/18/07 6:51 PM
 Find	240. I wholeheartedly support this issue. There is too much developement going on in the area and spoiling the magnificent settings up there.	Tue, 12/18/07 6:16 PM
 Find	241. It would be nice to have bigger camping areas like lake of the Woods	Tue, 12/18/07 6:06 PM
 Find	242. To use the timber resources as a revenue stream through sales of timber and replanting of same.	Tue, 12/18/07 6:00 PM
 Find	243. Mountain biking, hiking trails, primitive camp sites	Tue, 12/18/07 5:57 PM
 Find	244. There is no more land being made and we need to preserve the area for future generations. However, we need to have users help pay for the use of these areas and not put the burden on local tax payers.	Tue, 12/18/07 5:38 PM
 Find	245. do not over build keep it as rustic as possible... have a nice lodge ... make it affordable	Tue, 12/18/07 5:22 PM
 Find	246. I FISH VERMILION ONCE A YEAR ONLY BECAUSE OF THE TIME AND EXPENSES INVOLVED IN GOING THERE. WHO WOULD USE IT OR IS THAT THE DNR GOAL?	Mon, 12/17/07 8:47 PM
 Find	247. Well as an AVID ATV trail rider here in Minnesota it would be very beneficial to the economy (resorts, hotels, camp grounds, gas stations, grocery stores and resturants) to have a long ATV trail system developed within the park boundries. My wife and I go to many ATV trail areas and ride for 3-4 days at a time and spend at least \$400 dollars on each trip for hotels, gas, food and other entertainment. One thing that we notice is that we do not have enough places to ride here in Minnesota so we do go to Wisconcin ATV riding because there are almost endless opportunities to ride there and ALL of the towns welcome the ATV's because they see the financial gains that which follows the ATV riders. So please install a viable atv TRAIL IN THIS PARK so more of the outdoor people could utilize this great state of ours. I would welcome you to call me to discuss this topic, my number is 507-318-0516 Thank you John Tasker	Mon, 12/17/07 7:38 PM
 Find	248. Design a great Camping experience for RV's, We need a place to park RV's for extended periods of time for a month or so at a time. Have dock space available to park boats. RV camping on Lake Vermilion is sorely lacking.	Mon, 12/17/07 4:35 PM
 Find	249. I would like to see a campground with well marked sites, many with electric, some with water and a few with full hookups. Also areas for tent camping and trails to primitive camping. Hiking trails that could double as cross country ski trails. Restricted use of snowmobiles and four wheelers/ATVs. Rental of cross county skis and snowshoes and a lodge. Some cabins that would allow year round use are needed.	Mon, 12/17/07 4:30 PM
 Find	250. Preserve the land around the lake as much as possible	Mon, 12/17/07 1:04 PM

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 Find	251. Camping sites a definat. have both tent and trailer sites. Electricity optional.	Mon, 12/17/07 12:07 PM
 Find	252. Over 40% of this state is in the catogory of not paying state property tax. Give the over taxed people of MN a break. Buy no more land.	Mon, 12/17/07 12:04 PM
 Find	253. hiking, camping, wildlife watching and enjoying, winter non-motorized sports	Mon, 12/17/07 11:22 AM
 Find	254. please provide cross-country ski and biking trails; please provide spaces for "shore-lunches"	Mon, 12/17/07 8:50 AM
 Find	255. Keep all structures away from the shoreline except docks and/or a boathouse. Table Rock lake in Missouri has a large setback for structures. however, they have larger boathouses every so often to accomodate numerous structures. so one larger facility takes the place of several docks along a large expanse of shoreline.	Mon, 12/17/07 8:43 AM
 Find	256. We like to camp and it would be good to have a place for camping that is more natural less crowded than some that are now available on the the tower end of the lake.	Sun, 12/16/07 8:10 PM
 Find	257. PUT IN LIMITED CAMPGROUNDS OF DIFFERENT TYPES PIMITIVE,ENCLOSED CAMPERS	Sun, 12/16/07 7:12 PM
 Find	258. Hikeing, bike path, camping. No 4 wheelers, no snowmobiles. Campsites large and private.	Sun, 12/16/07 5:53 PM
 Find	259. I think preserving the land and shoreline is a good idea and should be done know matter what option is going to happen in the future. I think the DNR is responsible to take an active role to preserve the land and shoreline even if the housing plan moves forward	Sun, 12/16/07 5:39 PM
 Find	260. hiking trails, no logging like Itaska State Park	Sun, 12/16/07 4:08 PM
 Find	261. Educated public about logging. Such as the benefit of logging for the grouse and young saplings as a food source.	Sun, 12/16/07 2:50 PM
 Find	262. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE LAND RESCOURCES MANAGED TO MAINTAIN A SIZABLE MOOSE POULATION. MANY PEOPLE ACROSS THE U.S. DO NOT GET AN OPORTUNITY TO SEE MOOSE IN THEIR NATURAL HABITAT.I THINK THAT IT WOULD BE GREAT TO HAVE A BIRD FEEDING STATION THAT WOULD ATTRACT SONGBIRDS TO AN AREA WHERE VISITORS COULD VIEW THEM	Sun, 12/16/07 1:35 PM
 Find	263. The land should be managed with sound ecological planning. Rare or uncommon species should be given special consideration.	Sun, 12/16/07 11:45 AM
 Find	264. Limited big RV & group sites segregated from a good number of campsites. Primitive walk-in campsites should have some of the more scenic and segregated camping locations. Maybe some small rental cabins without TV/radio, etc..	Sun, 12/16/07 11:18 AM
 Find	265. Maintain the geography of the area.	Sun, 12/16/07 9:58 AM
 Find	266. Multi use trails and areas for primative camping and non primative camping ,allow hunting. Prevent development.	Sun, 12/16/07 12:48 AM
 Find	267. The land resources I would like some camping. I have camped in Tower on the lake. But there are not many campsites available. This would bring more camping to a beautiful lake. I would also like to see ATV, snowmoble, horse, hiking trails, etc... This is a beautiful area that everyone should be able to see.	Sat, 12/15/07 4:42 PM
 Find	268. When boat on the lake the land should look as though it has been undisturbed. Most people can not use the BWCA, but want to be as close as they can to the nature (wilderness)of northern MN.	Sat, 12/15/07 11:54 AM

 Find	269. I would like to see the shoreline appear to remain virtually untouched while viewing from the lake. I would like to see secluded tent campsites, and a limited number of RV or camper sites. Hiking paths, perhaps connecting to existing trails.	Sat, 12/15/07 11:41 AM
 Find	270. I do not think the state can afford to build another state park, Take the 50 million and fix up our existing state parks	Sat, 12/15/07 11:07 AM
 Find	271. maintain as many native plants and trees as possible for visitors to learn about and study.	Sat, 12/15/07 10:18 AM
 Find	272. Campground with showers	Fri, 12/14/07 9:26 PM
 Find	273. Trails of course for hikers and bikers. Also, even though I'm not a snowmobiler, you've got to have some snowmobile trunk trails to hook up the sledders to other trails in the northwoods. Have at least a dozen camper cabins that can be used in the winter by the snowmobilers and they will be filled!	Fri, 12/14/07 3:30 PM
 Find	274. The new park property purchase would express the wild and native nature of this part of the country for all generations in the future to enjoy. There needs to	Fri, 12/14/07 12:56 PM
 Find	275. Strive for very minimal impact from development. Again, why would the DNR say it wants to save this land and then turn around and develop it?	Fri, 12/14/07 11:21 AM
 Find	276. Keep it rustic, basic trails and access.	Fri, 12/14/07 9:44 AM
 Find	277. Don't allow any Gates. The DNR loves gates.	Fri, 12/14/07 8:29 AM
 Find	278. Minimize land development. Keep trails or paths as natural as possible. Minimize or prohibit ATV traffic.	Fri, 12/14/07 8:09 AM
 Find	279. Large tree-filled scenic campsites, like Whitewater State Park. Limit RV sites. Island exploring.	Thu, 12/13/07 8:04 PM
 Find	280. Balance recreational use of land with its natural state. Avoid overdevelopment. We do not want vermilion becoming Minnetonka of the North.	Thu, 12/13/07 5:14 PM
 Find	281. don't make too many snowmobile trails. create only hiking and mountain biking opportunities. No horses either, they have other parks to ride in.	Thu, 12/13/07 2:58 PM
 Find	282. It would be nice to be able to hunt deer in that area given its size, remoteness, and beauty. Snowmobile trails would be nice as well.	Thu, 12/13/07 2:27 PM
 Find	283. The proposed layout looks good to me	Thu, 12/13/07 11:41 AM
 Find	284. Keep the area pristine and wild. DO NOT let development encroach on the lake.	Thu, 12/13/07 9:42 AM
 Find	285. 1. Plenty of campsites, with the great majority reserved for non-RV use. 2. Adequate spacing and brush between campsite to ensure campers are not "shoulder to shoulder" as in some state parks. 3. Minimize number of electrical and RV sites. 4. Plenty of walk-in or cart-in sites. 5. Whatever development is needed, go lightly, e.g. minimal paving, parking, and buildings. 5. Use permeable paving wherever possible.	Thu, 12/13/07 9:36 AM
 Find	286. Camping, nature center, hiking trails.	Thu, 12/13/07 8:45 AM
 Find	287. accomplish - hiking, camping, camper-cabins for winter use,	Thu, 12/13/07 8:17 AM
 Find	288. Forest ranger to lead tourist groups looking at the native plants, trees, birds, wildlife or other geologic features unique to the area. Primitive camping area. No motorized recreation vehicle trails. Hiking and biking trails. Keep people on trails outside of a	Thu, 12/13/07 12:34 AM
 Find	289. Limited roads/vehicles - allowing reasonable access to scenic and historic features. Hiking trails/day camping.	Wed, 12/12/07 8:53 PM
 Find	290. Nice wooded and private campgrounds, electric sites available, dump station.	Wed, 12/12/07 8:38 PM

 Find	291. Having great hiking trails with scenic and/or historic rest stops. The campsites should be spaced in the woods and along the shore line so you feel like you have space but are not isolated. Some trails that can be hiked and biked but don't turn it into a mountain bike park that has trails zig zagging every 20 yards in the woods. There should be a few hiking or boatable campsites perched on scenic shoreline or small islands. These camp sites should be few and spread out. Nothing is worse then being in a boat fishing and feeling like you're in some ones back yard invading their privacy	Wed, 12/12/07 7:34 PM
 Find	292. Same as above.	Wed, 12/12/07 7:26 PM
 Find	293. use what is only needed for about 50 campsites dont cram 1000 sites in so, your camping neighbor is 10 feet away.	Wed, 12/12/07 6:05 PM
 Find	294. Enable Soudan to expand and provide additional recreation opportunities for the general public, rather than select individuals with "money". It seems many areas have been overrun with the "affluent" members of society. I think it is good policy to continue to provide for public use of these areas.	Wed, 12/12/07 6:02 PM
 Find	295. Save it!	Wed, 12/12/07 5:17 PM
 Find	296. campground & hiking trails	Wed, 12/12/07 4:54 PM
 Find	297. Creating hiking, snow shoeing and cross country skiing opportunities. The Tower has many motor-oriented outdoor opportunities. The area particularly needs more XC skiing.	Wed, 12/12/07 4:47 PM
 Find	298. camp grounds more primitive, not so open,not so much catering to big RV's as much as some. Bike and hike trails	Wed, 12/12/07 3:00 PM
 Find	299. ban ATV use and snowmobiles, create hiking trails and hiking campsites	Wed, 12/12/07 2:50 PM
 Find	300. Keep ATVs and snowmobiles out of the park - people won't want to come to the park if they will have to hear noise from these machines. ATVs and snowmobiles over-run the landscape as it is -- the state shouldn't ruin the opportunity for the park from the get-go by allowing these machines in the park.	Wed, 12/12/07 1:33 PM
 Find	301. Use the land appropriately, keep campsites large and rustic.	Wed, 12/12/07 1:26 PM
 Find	302. The land is invaluable and should be preserved in its natural state. The location near a large metro area magnifies the importance of protecting this land from developemnt and preserving it for future generations.	Wed, 12/12/07 8:29 AM
 Find	303. Management should focus on restoring the pre-settlement character of the area, especially the "tall pines" component. Any old scars from mining activities (except those needed for interpretive purposes or important historical values) should be restored to a natural state.	Tue, 12/11/07 9:49 PM
 Find	304. Should have plenty of campsites. Visual seclution between campsites would be nice, as would be a seperate, rustic campground. These would make the experiance more camping-like.	Tue, 12/11/07 8:01 PM
 Find	305. This is an historic opportunity for US Steel to do the right thing and help preserve a pristine beautiful piece of property for citizens to enjoy. Hiking, biking, ski and snowshoe trails could be developed, maybe heading north to aces the BWCAW. Lake Vermilion and the surrounding area is rugged, remote, pristine and beautiful - lets try to keep a portion of it that way for future generations. The last thing we need is for it all to become one big vacation home development with all the big docks, big homes, big boats, yard chemicals, detrimental landscaping, everyone trying to impress and outdo the next guy. Another Gull Lake (Brainerd) which I will never visit again, ruined in my opinion.	Tue, 12/11/07 7:50 PM
 Find	306. Keep as much of the park undeveloped and wild as possible. Plenty of hiking/XC ski trails. No ATVs or snowmobiles. Camping (including some walk-in sites) in a limited area (not sprawling all over.)	Tue, 12/11/07 4:22 PM

 Find	307. No commercial/residential development. Campground with more rustic sites and some near the potential beach.	Tue, 12/11/07 3:44 PM
 Find	308. Design the park to maximize the full potential of the natural terrain.	Tue, 12/11/07 11:43 AM
 Find	309. I would like to see part of the land closest to the water be state park with the usual features/amenities that our other parks have. The rest of the land should be a WMA open to hunting.	Tue, 12/11/07 11:41 AM
 Find	310. To keep the land in the most natural state as possible but still allow hiking in designated trails. Tettegouche State Park is a great example of what can be done.	Tue, 12/11/07 11:39 AM
 Find	311. Regardless of all the concern for land coming out of tax base or private ownership, this country is getting cut up just like everywhere else and we need to realize that there isn't any more left. We need to keep as much public land open for the public (and the wild) as we can! There are more and more people everyday making Minnesota more and more crowded. Raising the tax base and having a handful of attorneys and doctors own everything suits only a select wealthy few. Lake Vermilion used to be a wild, pristine, and quiet place. It is now a play ground for the pampered rich and wealthy. I'd rather see a state park than continue with the usual, highest bidder, "progress and development are always good no matter what" mentality that is decimating the natural resources in the rest of the state and country.	Tue, 12/11/07 11:36 AM
 Find	312. FULLY FUND **ALL OTHER** MINNESOTA STATE PARKS FIRST. THEN ACQUIRE THIS LAND AS AN UNDEVELOPED FOREST. DEVELOP INTO A STATE PARK AT A LATER DATE WHEN THE REPUBLICAN RECESSION AND REPUBLICAN BUDGET DEFICIT IS CORRECTED. NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES.	Wed, 12/5/07 12:11 PM
 Find	313. If camping areas are to be installed (as I hope they will be) I would like to see the environment clearly delineated between rustic camping areas and trailer/auto camper camping areas so as to allow for true utilization/enjoyment by both different types of campers.	Thu, 11/29/07 10:23 AM
 Find	314. I would like to see a campground developed with tent camping in mind. My chief complaint about many of the campsites is that they are shared with RV's and they are MUCH too close together. It seems that the designers of campgrounds try to maximize the available space by packing in as many campsites as possible. There is often little or no measure of solitude. Tent campers wish for a more private experience in my opinion. An excellent example would be the walk-in sites at Split Rock. I would like to see a situation like this but with vehicle access. The campground at Beaver Creek Valley is a nice example of keeping the tents from the RV's but privacy is almost non-existent between sites. It's like camping in someone's back yard. A nice example is the campground at Chief Woodenfrog State Forest along Lake Kabegogama. These sites are very nicely spaced and the campground provides a very nice feeling of solitude. Even nicer would be the separation of the tents from the RV's so I wouldn't have to listen to the sound of generators, slamming doors, water heaters, pumps etc... Please use enough room to make a nice campground where campers are not looking in each others campsites. Sincerely, John Nowicki Superior, WI nowickij@ci.superior.wi.us	Mon, 11/26/07 12:33 PM
 Find	315. As a chamber , TEDA member and a business owner i know that we NEED 4 wheeler and snowmobile trails to be open for all to use. Right now we live in the biggest wooded area, but cannot use our 4 wheelers any where. We are also missing out on BIG tourism dollars because Lack of trail. SO please make sure this is an open 4 wheeling and snowmobile trail usage. Be cool to see families come to camp and 4 wheelers come into Tower to do business. This is the greatest oppunittee for our small town to create, New business and generate more tourism. DO It Right! Thank you Trails can fo to bear head and back, camp at both. 4 wheel there.	Wed, 11/14/07 2:09 PM

 Find	316. My family enjoys hiking and we are in the hiking club with about 145 miles currently logged. I enjoy experiencing and learning about the historical aspects of many of our parks.	Wed, 11/14/07 12:33 AM
 Find	317. Keep it as natural as possible with good forest and water management.	Fri, 11/9/07 9:12 AM
 Find	318. The beauty is too great to not protect at least some of it forever.	Fri, 11/9/07 7:28 AM
 Find	319. to not over populate and over stress the lands surrounding Lake Vermilion. We are very much in favor of a State Park on Lake Vermilion as we believe the state of Minnesota and the DNR will preserve and protect this irreplaceable asset for future generations. It has become increasingly evident that our St. Louis County Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission has wittled away previous safeguards for our lake and continues to "bend the rules" so that there is more development for an increase in the county budget ie: taxes. This is short sighted and selfish. This lake and all it has to offer should be preserved for future generations and those of us who live here and have safe guarded our lake for all these years.	Thu, 11/8/07 6:32 PM
 Find	320. We want ATV trails to use for promotional events and get the great success they've had in Wisconsin with attracting the ever growing ATV population. We don't want to sub divide	Wed, 11/7/07 11:14 PM
 Find	321. to show the family all the rich rocks and other things that are in this area. I HAVE BEEN prospecting for gold, quartz, and other minerals in the area of the new park.	Wed, 11/7/07 7:27 PM
 Find	322. i AM IN FAVOR OF NATURE TRAILS AND OTHER ACTIVITES THAT WILL GENERATE TOURISTS TO VISIT THIS PARK.	Wed, 11/7/07 7:24 PM
 Find	323. Respect all natural land formations, flora and fauna, wet lands, etc. when making roads, building sites and trails.	Wed, 11/7/07 6:40 PM
 Find	324. The existing haul roads should be used for access to parts of the park and for hiking and ski trails.	Wed, 11/7/07 6:34 PM
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 Find	1. The Lake Vermilion Park would protect natural land features and vegetation from increased development: Most of the lands surrounding Lake Vermilion are privately owned; except a few Water Access Sites and the current neighboring Soudan Underground Mine Park - this Park has the "Historic" boathouses at the shore. Increased development will only dedgrigate the land resources that most people hold dear - native trees, natural vegetation and the rock outcrops that punch through the soils in this area. These are features that will be lost forever if not protected.	Sun, 1/27/08 10:27 AM
 Find	2. A congested, tightly packed campsite area is a concern for me and others that have camped at state parks. Vehicle travel through the campsites has always been an issue regarding speed, noise and frequency. Nice bathrooms have always made it a pleasure for all family members to enjoy the parks but, an over-all natural, rustic and minimal impact on the land is why people enjoy the state parks. Keep it simple, keep it natural, keep it inexpensive and easy to maintain.	Sat, 1/26/08 6:33 AM
 Find	3. x	Fri, 1/25/08 5:04 PM
 Find	4. There are unique land features on this lake, rock outcrops and shallow soil conditions. The park would keep from having mulitple Individual Sewage Treatment Systems (ISTS) that could potentially fail and add pollutants to the lake.	Thu, 1/24/08 6:45 PM
 Find	5. Keep them as natural and undisturbed as possible. Limitations on vehicles and roads.	Thu, 1/24/08 11:13 AM
 Find	6. Keep buffer between campers and lake, preserve as much of a natural shoreline look as possible.Have a hiking/bike trail along the waterfront.	Mon, 1/21/08 4:51 PM
 Find	7. Would love to see some tent campsites that are somewhat like the federal campsites on the lake, only add a dock.	Sun, 1/20/08 9:55 PM
 Find	8. PROTECT OUR FOREST LAND, THE TREES AND TERRAIN, WE DO NOT NEED MORE DEVELOPERS TAKING AWAY THE BEAUTY OF MINNESOTA.	Sun, 1/20/08 5:15 AM
 Find	9. with an estimated 300k visitors, the crowding of the roads, and extra boat trafic on the lake is unacceptable!	Sat, 1/19/08 11:27 AM
 Find	10. Create hiking, biking, and cross-country trails that take visitors through secluded stretches of the park and allow for a closer, more personal interaction with nature. Please attempt to avoid inclusion of motorized-vehicle paths for things like snowmobiles or ORVs.	Sat, 1/19/08 1:24 AM
 Find	11. Keep car camping to a minimum - if at all - backpack sites, cart-in sites and canoe/kayak acess sites. Have some hiking trails and some x-c skiing and snowshoe trails. Keep the majority of the land undeveoped as wilderness habitat however	Wed, 1/16/08 8:13 PM
 Find	12. Hiking, and a beach.	Wed, 1/16/08 4:12 PM
 Find	13. It should be a the property tax roll. No if, ands or buts. Property taxes in St. Louis County are already out of control.	Wed, 1/16/08 3:03 PM
 Find	14. Camping and hiking opportunities are a must. Perhaps rock climbing and horse riding as well. Please restrict usage of ATV or quads in this park. They are an annoying machine and the people that ride them aren't respectful of nature.	Wed, 1/16/08 12:20 PM
 Find	15. maintain natural shoreline and land as is so there's some area on the lake for everyone to enjoy, not just those who can afford lake property	Tue, 1/15/08 10:36 PM
 Find	16. us steel lake should be sold for private developement	Tue, 1/15/08 6:36 PM

 Find	17. Biking, hiking, roller blade trails. A couple nice boat ramps, with good fishing peers. Fish cleaning stations, nice clean showers and plenty of bathrooms. Secluded campsites. Fireplaces, and picnic tables at all campsites.	Mon, 1/14/08 9:04 PM
 Find	18. Hiking trails, including a hiling club trail Camping with drive in sites and walk in sites	Mon, 1/14/08 1:59 PM
 Find	19. Preserve from housing and development.	Mon, 1/14/08 9:53 AM
 Find	20. hunting, primitive camp sites, hiking trails	Sat, 1/12/08 9:10 PM
 Find	21. The more lake shore property the state can get the better, these are our lakes and I believe that everyone should have access to this beatiful lake shore of lake vermilion.	Fri, 1/11/08 11:32 AM
 Find	22. A picnic area and campground (with electric sites, & shower facilities) and dump station on site would be tremendous. A guest house/cabin it SP would be great as well.	Thu, 1/10/08 2:28 PM
 Find	23. geology shoreline trails for skiing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing,etc. hiking trails	Thu, 1/10/08 1:17 PM
 Find	24. Hiking trails, cross country sking. No motorized vehicles allowed	Thu, 1/10/08 12:48 PM
 Find	25. Forbid the use of motorized vehciles on park trails - snowmobiles, 4 wheelers, etc.	Thu, 1/10/08 12:30 PM
 Find	26. prohibit any further iron mining, and have tours giving a historical description of that area.	Wed, 1/9/08 12:34 PM
 Find	27. Not sure. I like a mix of "wilderness" with amenities typical of MN State Parks.	Tue, 1/8/08 6:48 PM
 Find	28. Preserve some trails for jogging/hiking/bicycling/camping in a primitive setting. No extensive modern features to maximize the wilderness experience. Possibly some bow hunting areas which should be safe and not disturb the natural setting. Also ability to access area for ice fishing but do not think the use of snowmobiles goes with the preservation idea.	Mon, 1/7/08 9:07 PM
 Find	29. Hiking isn't our primary focus, but we llike to take a hike or two while we are are the park. It's important to us to have a private experience at the park, we like space while we camp.	Mon, 1/7/08 7:02 PM
 Find	30. great camping a real place to get away. but keep it real camping with only tents none of the hotels on wheels.	Mon, 1/7/08 3:17 PM
 Find	31. provide unique areas for tent camping and backpackers. Limit areas for RV sites.	Sun, 1/6/08 11:06 AM
 Find	32. Same as above	Sun, 1/6/08 10:21 AM
 Find	33. overnight camping available on some islands.full hookup sights with plenty of privacy.scenic tent sights.lots of hiking trails.	Sat, 1/5/08 10:24 AM
 Find	34. Have several tent and trailer campsites. Try to have as many electric and water sites as possible. Also, it would be nice to have more than one year round cabins.	Sat, 1/5/08 8:10 AM
 Find	35. The land should stay in it's pristine natural state.	Fri, 1/4/08 8:39 PM
 Find	36. Mountain Bike trails.	Fri, 1/4/08 6:59 PM
 Find	37. Preserve as much as possible. Activities should include the menu offered at other parks: hiking, interpretive trails, x-c skiing, backpacking camp sites, walk-in sites, cart-in sites and regular drive in sites.	Fri, 1/4/08 3:34 PM
 Find	38. Let's leave it undeveloped.	Fri, 1/4/08 1:38 PM
 Find	39. Preserve but allow people access via hiking trails.	Fri, 1/4/08 11:37 AM
 Find	40. as with other state parks, it should have hiking and biking trails with intrepetive markers	Fri, 1/4/08 9:48 AM
 Find	41. Camp grounds (rustic and w/showers), general store, hiking trails, snowmobile and cross country ski trails, ATV trails.	Fri, 1/4/08 9:24 AM
 Find	42. hiking trail and biking trails	Fri, 1/4/08 7:59 AM

 Find	43. I would like to see trails and lots of them. Even if they are just a single track type. There is a real lack of biking trails (mountain biking meaning non paved and with some elevation change). But I think 80% fo my trail usage is hiking. I also like wooded campsites to give a sense of privacy not a cluster of campsites in an open area by the beach. That reminds me of a resort and I think it should be kept as natural as possible. Also maybe a few cabins, smal ones that are affordable for people like me, meaning \$30-50, less than a cheap motel. A cabin the size of a tent because all you need is a dry place to stay and sleep.	Fri, 1/4/08 7:23 AM
 Find	44. we'd like hiking	Thu, 1/3/08 9:58 PM
 Find	45. Land resources should be utilized to create exciting and inviting recreation opportunities. The DNR has expressed creating a "cutting edge" park experience. Activities like mountain biking, rock climbing, trail running, and other more intense activities have grown in popularity, and having another beautiful park that promotes these activities would be warmly welcomed.	Thu, 1/3/08 8:35 PM
 Find	46. Camping, hiking, biking.	Thu, 1/3/08 5:42 PM
 Find	47. Lots of rustic camper cabins available.	Thu, 1/3/08 3:22 PM
 Find	48. Accomplish: Maintain camping facilities, with very limited spaces for mobile campers Avoid: Degrading the air and land quality	Thu, 1/3/08 3:21 PM
 Find	49. Camping, Bike trails	Thu, 1/3/08 3:13 PM
 Find	50. No motorzod vehicles of any kind, limited passenger vehicle access. Primitive camping, no Trailers, mnotorhomes. I am picturing a primitive, undeveloped park.	Thu, 1/3/08 3:06 PM
 Find	51. I'm looking forward to hiking in the area. As far as structures I'd really like to see the most current "green" technology used. It could serve as a demonstration to others. Renewable energy source?	Thu, 1/3/08 2:46 PM
 Find	52. I would much rather see this land preserved in a state park versus yet another cabin farm. There is not enough public land on the lake now, we certainly don't need anymore million dollar cabins on the lake.	Thu, 1/3/08 2:46 PM
 Find	53. Keep as primitive as possible.	Thu, 1/3/08 2:39 PM
 Find	54. Tred on this land softly. Prevent it from being devoloped into cabins and condos. Use very little land for campsites, cabins and other facilities.	Thu, 1/3/08 12:00 PM
 Find	55. Looks like prestine land and would be good for land preservation. The more land preserved the better.	Thu, 1/3/08 11:49 AM
 Find	56. I think this a great oppertunity to preserve some great land, and not allow more cabins to be built.	Thu, 1/3/08 7:49 AM
 Find	57. A widely dispersed, near boundary waters type camping setting available from vehicles or some sort of surface transport (perhaps public). Nice, broad hiking trails in a park managed to bring back the majestic Norway and White Pine forests of the area.	Wed, 1/2/08 9:34 PM
 Find	58. Peace and quiet, no ATV's or snowmobiles	Wed, 1/2/08 8:33 PM
 Find	59. A small campground.	Wed, 1/2/08 7:10 PM
 Find	60. Areas for hiking & biking. Quiet usage (not ATVs), in my opinion.	Wed, 1/2/08 3:59 PM
 Find	61. Hiking and ski trails and campground would be awesome.	Wed, 1/2/08 2:51 PM
 Find	62. trails	Wed, 1/2/08 1:09 PM
 Find	63. I believe for people using the park should be able to enjoy a true wilderness experience that is reached by a road.I believe that in the developement stages as little as possibile should be done to harm the enviroment.Of course to developo campsites everyone knows	Wed, 1/2/08 1:02 PM

that there will be areas cleared eyc.



64. Camping with eletrical, a Visitor Center.

Wed, 1/2/08 11:58 AM



65. hiking trails that would be used for cross country sking and snowmobiling in the winter

Wed, 1/2/08 11:30 AM

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