

## Commonly used terms: Arrowhead State Trail Master Plan

**Areas with Limitations:** An area on state forest lands where the big game hunting and trapping-related exceptions for OHVs do not apply. These areas are primarily for the purposes of 1) protecting unique natural resource values and 2) providing a balance of diverse recreational and hunting opportunities.

**County-administered Forest Lands:** County-managed forest lands are available for diverse recreational uses under policies adopted by each county board.

**Embedded Closure:** An area within a limited or managed classified forest that is closed to off-highway vehicles.

**Hunter Walking Trail:** A non-motorized trail that provides comparatively easy access to areas where small game such as grouse and woodcock may thrive.

**Industrial Lands:** Lands owned by a corporation primarily for natural resource management activities. Public access to these lands are at the discretion of the owner.

**Motorized Trail:** A trail that allows people to use a motor vehicle such as an ATV, OHM or ORV. These routes may be managed for specific uses and signed accordingly. All motorized trails in a state forest are open to non-motorized uses.

**Non-Motorized Trail:** A trail that allows people to cross the forest. These routes may be managed for specific uses and signed accordingly. Uses are many but include backpacking, all forms of bicycling, bird watching and nature study, hiking, horse riding and hunting.

**Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV):** A motorized vehicle designed and used for off road travel such as all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), off-highway motorcycles (OHMs) and off-road vehicles (ORVs), but not snowmobiles.

- **All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) Class 1 and 2:** An OHV with three to six low-pressure or non-pneumatic tires, a total dry weight of 2,000 pounds or less. Class 1 ATVs are 50" or less in width from rim to rim and class 2 ATVs are over 50" but less than 65" in width from rim to rim.
- **Off-Highway Motorcycle (OHM):** A motorized, off-highway vehicle traveling on two wheels and having a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control, including vehicles registered for highway use if also registered for off-highway operation on trails or unimproved ground.
- **Off-Road Vehicle (ORV):** A motorized recreational vehicle capable of cross-country travel on natural-surface road or trail.

**Ruffed Grouse Management Area (RGMA):** An area that has good potential for producing grouse and woodcock and managed to promote suitable habitat conditions for these species.

**School Trust Land:** Land held in trust by the State of Minnesota and managed by the Office of School Trust to provide a continuous source of funding for public education.

**Scientific & Natural Area (SNA):** Lands managed to preserve and perpetuate the ecological diversity of Minnesota's natural heritage, including landforms, fossil remains, plant and animal communities, rare and endangered species or other natural features, and geological formations, for scientific study and public education as part of a healthy environment.

**Snowmobile:** A self-propelled vehicle originally manufactured and designed for travel on snow or ice that is steered by skis or runners. Snowmobiles do not include other vehicles that have been modified to travel on snow or ice.

**State Forest:** State lands managed for timber, biological diversity, recreation, fish and wildlife habitat, wilderness, rare and distinctive flora and fauna, air, water, soil, and educational, aesthetic, and historic values.

**State Forest Motor Vehicle Use Classification:** The allowed motor vehicle use for roads and trails designated by the Commissioner of DNR on state forest lands or scattered state forest lands in a county. Off-road or trail travel by motor vehicle is prohibited except when hunter/trapper exception applies in a limited or managed state forest. The three classifications defined by Law are:

- **Closed:** Off-highway vehicles (ATVs/ORVs/OHMs) are prohibited except by special event permits. State forest roads are open only to highway-licensed vehicles. The Commissioner of DNR may open forest roads to ATV use for big game hunting.
- **Limited:** State forest roads are open to highway-licensed vehicles and off-highway vehicles (ATVs/ORVs/OHMs). Forest trails are closed to motor vehicle use, except where designated and signed to permit specific motorized uses.
- **Managed:** State forest roads and non-designated routes that are not posted closed are open to motor vehicle use. Signing and enforcement restrict motor vehicle use in sensitive resource areas and on non-motorized trails. Forest trails may be designated, managed and signed for specific motorized uses.

**State Forest Road:** Roads maintained by the DNR within a state forest open to motor vehicle uses according to the Classification for Motor Vehicle use of the State Forest.

- **Minimum Maintenance Road:** Maintained on an intermittent, as-needed basis typically for timber harvest access. They may not be suitable for routine low-clearance highway licensed vehicle travel. The minimum maintenance road sign says "Road may be impassable. Travel at your own risk."
- **System Road:** Usually gravel-surfaced with two lanes maintained on a regular basis. Most of these roads are connected to state, county, or township public highways.

**State Trail:** A trail designated by the Minnesota Legislature to provide a recreational travel route between other trails, other outdoor recreation sites or sites with scenic, historic, scientific or recreational significance.

**Sustainable Trail:** A trail that provides a high-quality recreational experience by flowing with the environment to reduce erosion, using natural drainage and minimizing user conflicts.

**Tax-Forfeit Lands:** Lands that have been forfeited for non-payment of general real estate tax. Tax-forfeit lands are managed by the county.