

AT A GLANCE: Beltrami Island State Forest

Location	Beltrami, Lake of the Woods and Roseau Counties
Classification	Managed
Highway-Licensed Vehicles:	May be used on designated forest roads and open access routes.
Off-Highway Vehicles:	May be used on designated forest roads, as well as on forest trails and access routes not signed as closed to the specific type of off-highway vehicle.
Area (acres)	525,153 state-administered (includes land utilization project lands) 178,213 privately owned
Natural Resource Profile	Series of forested upland "islands" surrounded by marsh and brush. The terrain is generally flat The major forest cover types are aspen and pine with smaller acreages of spruce, balsam fir and tamarack.
Current Uses	Forestry, seasonal recreation, tourism, hunting
Recreation Types	Snowmobiling, off-highway vehicle riding, cross-country skiing, biking, camping, hunting, trapping, wildlife watching

Route Designation	Current Miles	Miles Added	Miles Undesignated	New Total Miles
Forest Roads				
System	355.5	0	0	355.5
Minimum Maintenance	118.7	1.66	2.31*	118.05
Trails				
Hunter Walker	47	10.54	0	57.54
Non-Motorized (hike, horse, etc.)	4.4	0	0	4.4
ATV/OHM	238.9	17.37	0	256.27
ATV/OHM/ORV	0	6.39	0	6.39
Other				
OHV Warm-Up Area	0 Acres	1.58 Acres	0 Acres	1.58 Acres

**One-mile of undesignated minimum maintenance road will be designated as ATV/OHM trail; 1.31 miles of undesignated minimum maintenance trail will be left as access routes.*

Description of Changes:

The DNR will designate several short ORV/ATV/OHM connections throughout the forest. These connections will be open to previously allowed uses. When used with existing trails and forest roads, these connections will provide a variety of loops for users. The DNR will designate approximately 1.6 acres as an OHV warm up area. The boundaries of this area will be signed and use of the terrain to practice hill maneuvering and safe OHV operations will be allowed. The DNR will also designate several miles of ATV/OHM trails. These trails will consist of new trail, former access routes, change from MMR designation and dual designation with MMRs. The newly designated OHV miles will be in addition to the currently designated 238 miles of OHV trail.

The DNR will undesignate approximately 1.3 miles of trail that are unsustainable, redundant or do not provide good recreational opportunity. These routes will remain open as access routes. Finally, the DNR will designate 10.54 miles of walking trails. 1.8 miles of walking trail will be on access routes currently open to motorized use and will retain historic use. 1.23 miles of walking trail will be dual-designated MMR.

Implementation:

The new designations and changes in designation will be effective after public review and the commissioner's orders have been finalized. Routes that are currently open as access routes will remain in that status until signing and improvements are made. New trails will not be open for use and new trail uses will not be allowed until the DNR completes trail construction and signs the trails open over the next several seasons.

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)

HWT = Hunter-walking trail

MMR = Minimum maintenance road