

# DAVID DILL/TACONITE STATE TRAIL

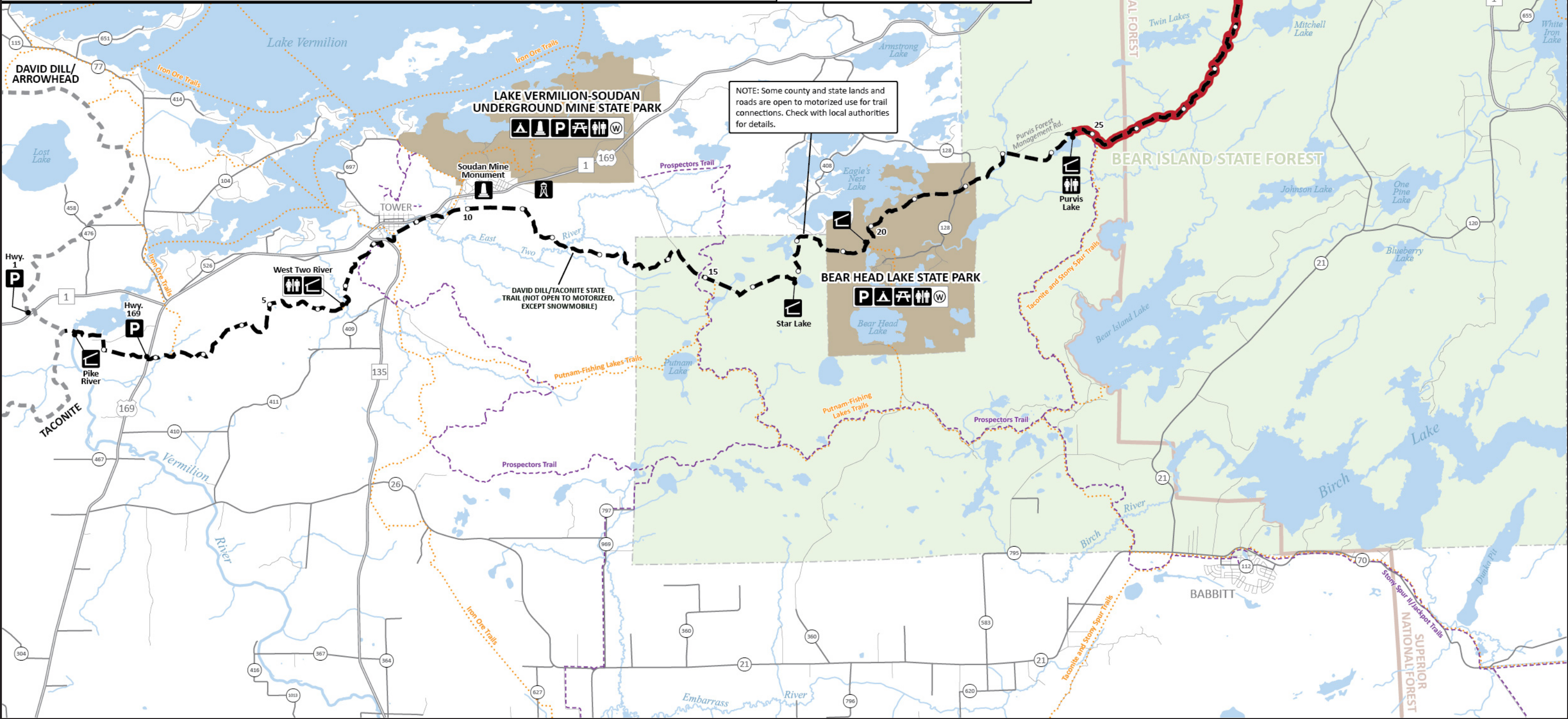
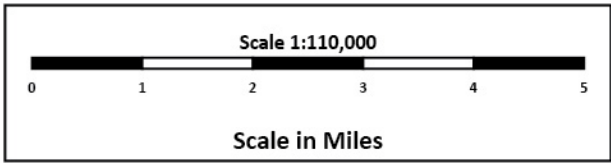
## TRAILS

- Taconite State Trail
- Taconite State Trail (ATV/OHM allowed May 15-October 31)
- Other State Trails
- OHV Trails/Routes
- Snowmobile Trails
- Miles from Taconite to Ely

## FACILITIES

- P Parking
- ⛶ Picnic Area
- ⛴ Picnic Shelter
- 🏠 Shelter
- ⛶ Campground
- 👁️ Overlook

- 🚻 Toilet
- 🚰 Drinking Water
- 🔥 Fire Tower
- 🏰 Historic Site





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## MORE INFORMATION

**Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Information Center**  
500 Lafayette Rd.  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4040  
888-646-6367 | [mndnr.gov/trails](http://mndnr.gov/trails)

**Tower Area Parks and Trails**  
650 Highway 169  
Tower, MN 55790  
218-300-7841



## SHARE THE TRAIL

- Stay on designated trail.
- Keep right so others can pass.
- Keep pets on leash and pick up waste.
- Obey traffic signs and rules.
- Pack out all garbage and litter.
- Respect adjoining landowner's rights and privacy.
- Verbally warn other trail users when passing from behind.
- Overnight camping and campfires are permitted only on designated campsites. Do not leave them unattended.
- Enjoy the beauty of wild plants and animals, but leave them undisturbed for all to enjoy.
- Trail users are legally responsible for obeying the rules and regulations provided in Minnesota Rules, 6100.3000.

## ABOUT THE TRAIL

The **David Dill/Taconite State Trail**, in combination with the Taconite State Trail, stretches 165 miles from Grand Rapids to Ely and intersects with the David Dill/Arrowhead State Trail just west of Lake Vermilion.

The first 6 miles from Grand Rapids are paved for biking and in-line skating. The rest of the natural surface trail is used primarily for snowmobiling in the winter. There are areas with standing water in the summer, but portions are suitable for horseback riding, hiking and mountain biking. Off-highway vehicle riding is allowed on portions of the trail from May 15 to October 31, dependent on the weather.

Along the trail are several wayfinding markers guiding ATV and Snowmobile use. Black on yellow markers are for ATVs and black on orange are for snowmobilers.

Travel through forests of birch, aspen and pine and past isolated lakes and streams. Several trail waysides and picnic facilities offer scenic vistas. The northern portion of the trail winds through scenic state and national forest land with rolling, tree-covered terrain.

You'll experience diverse habitats. You may see a ridge of white pine transition to a ravine of mixed hardwoods,

and then to a ridge of aspen, birch and basswood blended with maples.

Minnesota wildlife is abundant along the trail. You may spot a moose, timber wolf, coyote, white-tailed deer, black bear, lynx, porcupine, snowshoe hare, fisher, pine marten or red squirrel.

## PARKING AVAILABLE

DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR VEHICLE

### Parking

- Highway 169, just east of the intersection of the Taconite and David Dill/Arrowhead State Trails
- On the east side of Ely, off of Old Airport Road

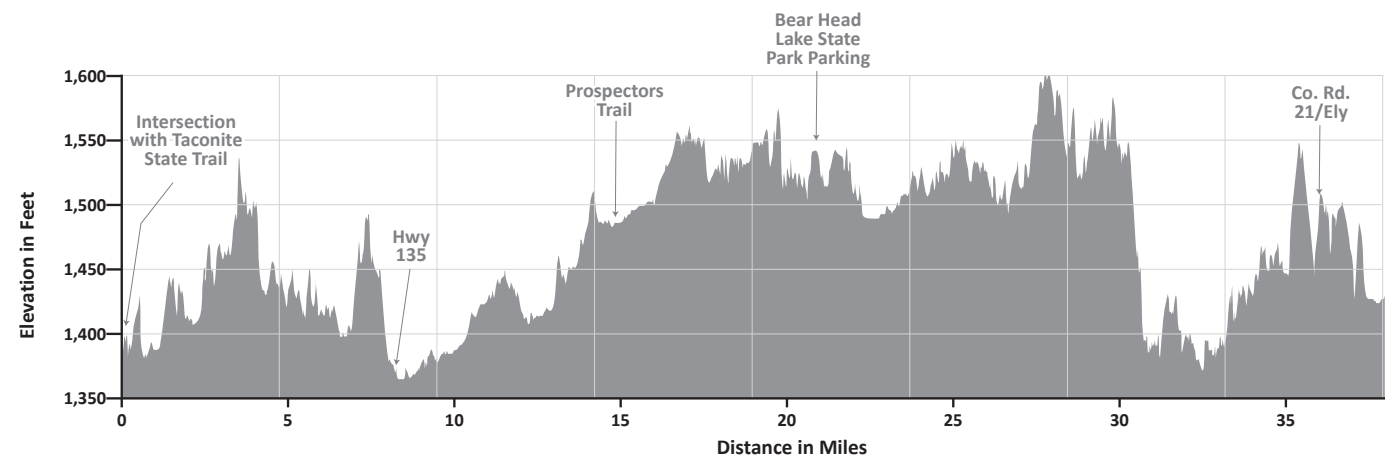
### Trail Shelters

You'll find several rustic trail shelters spread throughout the trail. See the map for exact locations.

All communities along the Taconite, David Dill/Taconite and David Dill/Arrowhead state trails have food, fuel, lodging and retail areas.



## TRAIL PROFILE



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## PLEASE NOTE

This trail requires a permit for anyone horseback riding. For more information about the Horse Pass, please call the DNR Information Center or visit [mndnr.gov/trails](http://mndnr.gov/trails).

Snowmobilers must be registered or have a valid state trail sticker. For more information, visit [mndnr.gov/snowmobiling](http://mndnr.gov/snowmobiling).

For more information on off-highway vehicle registration and Riding in this area, visit [mndnr.gov/ohv](http://mndnr.gov/ohv).

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