

GITCHI-GAMI STATE TRAIL

TRAILS

Gitchi-Gami State Trail (paved)

C.J. Ramstad/North Shore State Trail (unpaved)

Superior Hiking Trail

Miles West to East

FACILITIES

Trail Center

Parking

Lighthouse

Shelter

Picnic Area

Campground

Toilet

Bike Repair Station

Drinking Water



SILVER CREEK CLIFF

TRAIL OVERVIEW

GOOSEBERRY FALLS TO SILVER BAY

SCHROEDER TO LUTSEN

CUT FACE CREEK WAYSIDE TO GRAND MARAIS

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MORE INFORMATION

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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 if passing from behind.
- Maintain safe speeds and control.
- 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

Several segments of the Gitchi-Gami State Trail have been completed, totaling over 35 miles. When complete, it will offer 86 paved miles for non-motorized use and connect Two Harbors to Grand Marais along the North Shore of Lake Superior. This trail is also part of the U.S. Bicycle Route 41/North Star Route.

Silver Creek Cliff - 1 mile

This 1-mile segment follows the old Scenic Highway 61 and bypasses the Silver Creek tunnel. It offers 4,000 feet of continuous Lake Superior views.

Gooseberry Falls State Park to Silver Bay - 17.6 miles

This is the longest continuous trail segment and one of the most diverse, taking you through both urban and natural environments. It also has steep hills and curves that can be challenging for recreational use.

The segment begins at Gooseberry Falls State Park and

continues northeast through Iona’s Beach Scientific and Natural Area and Split Rock Lighthouse State Park before entering Beaver Bay and Silver Bay. There are numerous rest stops along the way, as well as access to camping and fishing through the state parks.

Schroeder to Tofte (south) - 2.8 miles

This segment begins at the rest area in Schroeder. It travels inland of Highway 61 to the Temperance River gorge and waterfall, offers a scenic view of Carlton Peak, and then continues northeast to Tofte’s Homestead Drive. The trail through Tofte has not yet been completed. Trail users can cross Highway 61 to Tofte Park Road and pick up the trail at the Tofte Commercial Fishing Museum.

Tofte (north) to Lutsen (Ski Hill Road) - 7.5 miles

This segment begins at the Tofte Commercial Fishing Museum and goes northeast, paralleling Highway 61.

You’ll find exceptional views of Lake Superior’s vast waters and shoreline. The nearby Ray Berglund State Wayside offers a rest area between the communities of Tofte and Lutsen. This wayside also features its own trail connection to the Onion River Trail, a short and rustic hiking trail.

As the state trail continues to Lutsen, it crosses below Highway 61 to the inland side of the highway and offers a more quiet ride. The trail currently ends at Ski Hill Road (Cook County 5). North of here is the Lutsen Scientific and Natural Area, home to one of the largest undisturbed old-growth northern hardwood forests in Minnesota.

Cut Face Creek Wayside to Grand Marais - 4.8 miles

This segment begins at West 8th Avenue and joins the Grand Marais Corridor Trail to the east, traveling to the Cut Face Creek State Wayside and Cascade River State Park.

PARKING AVAILABLE

DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR VEHICLE

Silver Creek Cliff

- Silver Creek Cliff Wayside Rest

Gooseberry Falls State Park to Silver Bay

- Gooseberry Falls State Park campground, picnic area, visitor center and Gitchi-Gami State Trail Trailhead
- Twin Points public water access/Iona’s Beach Scientific and Natural Area

- Split Rock Lighthouse State Park trail center
- Historic Lighthouse Area
- Beaver Bay Wayside Rest
- Rukavina Arena in Silver Bay

Schroeder to Lutsen

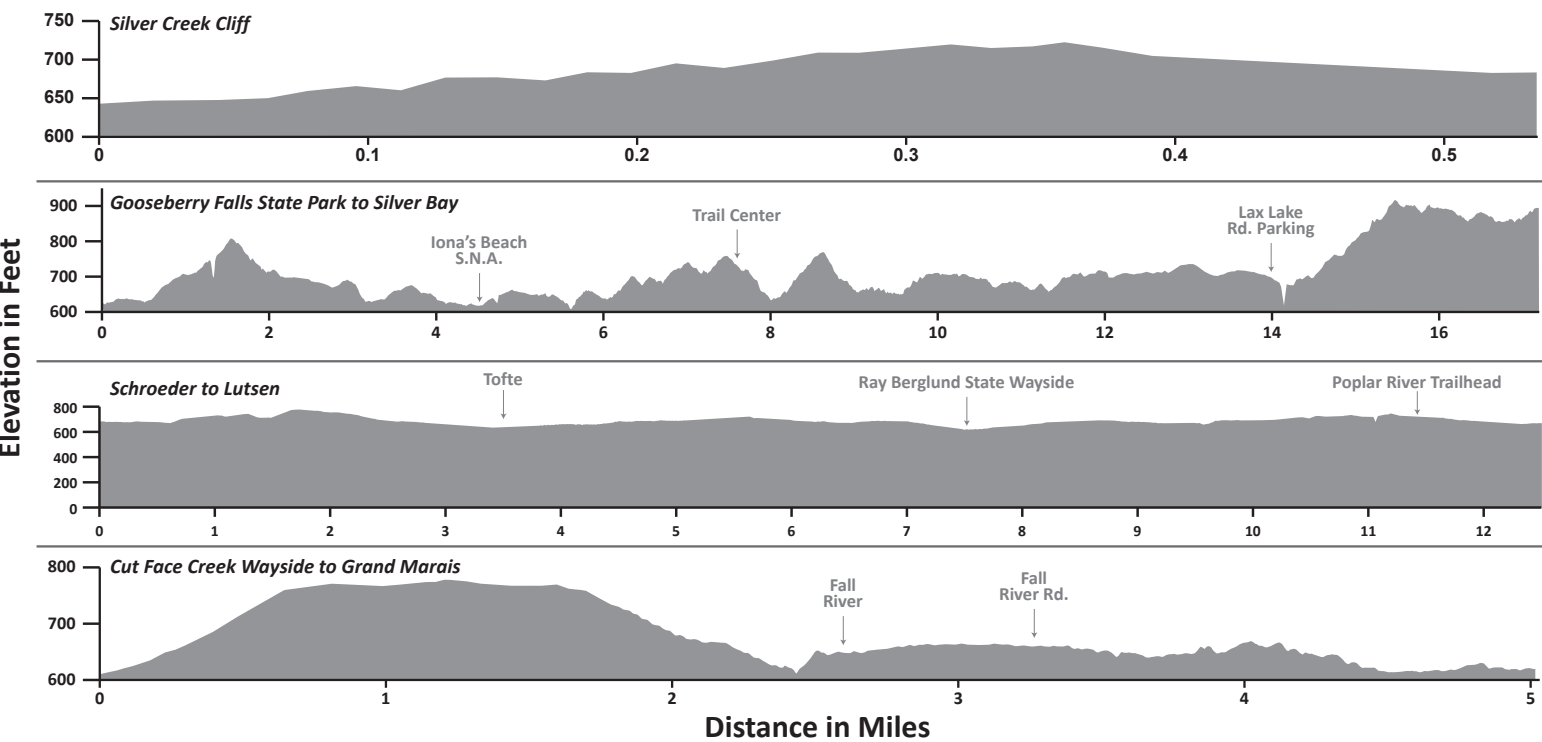
- MNDOT wayside on the east side of Schroeder
- Temperance River State Park
- Tofte public water access/town park

- Ray Berglund State Wayside
- Poplar River Trailhead

Cut Face Creek Wayside to Grand Marais

- Cut Face Creek Wayside
- Grand Marais public water access near the U.S. Coast Guard station

SEGMENT PROFILES



DON’T GET LOST!

Navigate with your phone! The Avenza Maps® app uses GPS location tracking, so you can stay found, even off the grid. After you have downloaded the app and map, no internet or cell service is needed.

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