

# LUCE LINE STATE TRAIL

## TRAILS

- Luce Line State Trail (paved)
- Luce Line State Trail (crushed rock)
- Luce Line State Trail (adjacent natural horse trail)
- Luce Line State Trail (undeveloped)
- Other Trails
- Miles Along the Trail From Thompson Lake

## FACILITIES

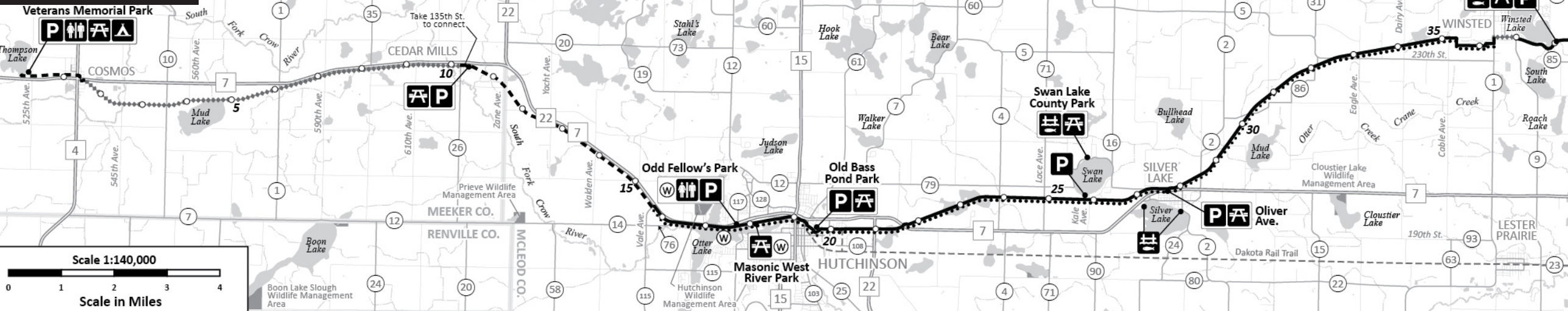
- Parking
- Picnic Area
- Toilet
- Campground
- Fishing Pier
- Bike Repair Station
- Drinking Water



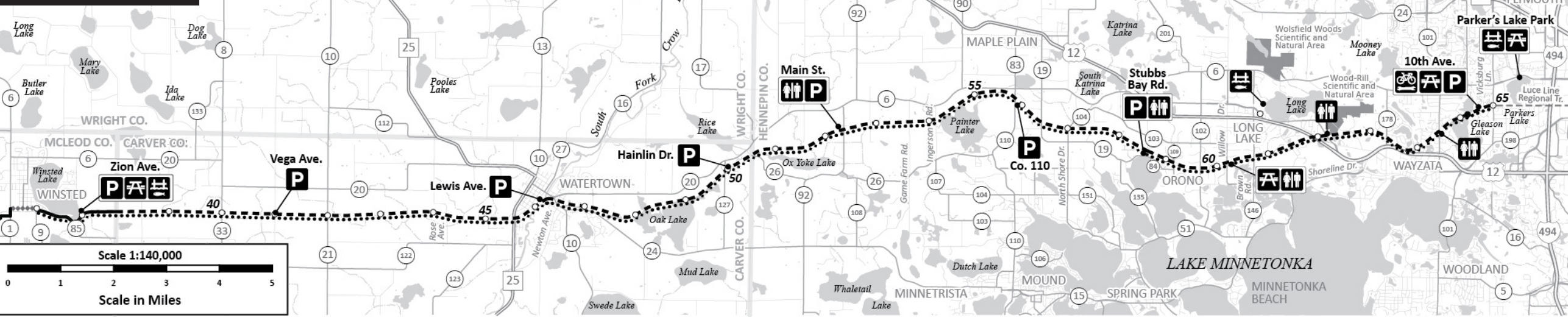
## OVERVIEW



## WEST SEGMENT



## EAST SEGMENT



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MEEKER, MCLEOD, CARVER AND  
HENNEPIN COUNTIES



## MORE INFORMATION

**Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Information Center**  
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888-646-6367 | [mndnr.gov/trails](http://mndnr.gov/trails)

## 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 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 **Luce Line State Trail** is a 63-mile former railroad grade that is popular for biking, hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking and snowmobiling.

The crushed limestone trail runs from Plymouth to the McLeod/Carver County line, with a parallel trail for horseback riding. The trail is paved from the McLeod/Carver County line to Hutchinson. It is made of crushed rock from Hutchinson to Cedar Mills, natural (mowed

grass) from Cedar Mills to Cosmos and crushed rock from Cosmos to Thompson Lake. Snowmobiles are allowed on the trail west of Stubb's Bay Road.

The trail offers a preserved strip of countryside among the varied landscapes of metropolitan and rural Minnesota. In many places, the Luce Line feels like a jaunt down a quiet country road.

In the east, you'll experience rolling stands of sugar maple and basswood, a carry-over from the Big Woods that once occupied the area. From Hutchinson westward, the forest gives way to remnants of tallgrass prairie. You may spot a deer, fox or mink. Nearby lakes also support ducks and geese.

## PARKING AVAILABLE

DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR VEHICLE

**Cosmos:** at Veteran's Memorial Park at Thompson Lake and in Cosmos (on road).

**Cedar Mills:** On the south side of Hwy. 7, east of the grain elevator.

**Hutchinson:** Off Hwy. 7, one at Odd Fellow's Park on the west side and another at Old Bass Pond Park on the east end of the town.

**Silver Lake:** Just east of town at Swan Lake County Park and in town on the north side of Hwy. 7 at Oliver Ave.

**Winsted:** Near Winsted Lake off Zion Ave.

**Watertown:** West of town, off Vega Ave. and in town on Lewis Ave.

**East of Watertown on Hainlin Rd.,** off Carver Co. Rd. 127, south of Co. Rd. 20.

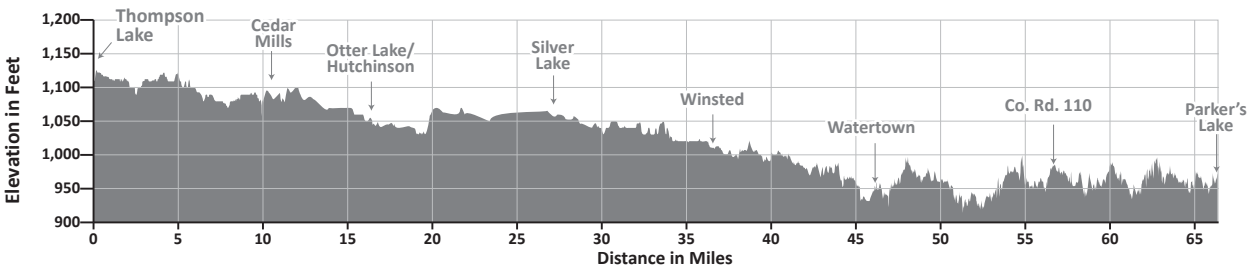
**Maple Plain:** Off Main St., south of Co. Rd. 6.

**Independence/Maple Plain:** East side of Co. Rd. 110, south of Co. Rd. 6.

**Long Lake:** Old Crystal Bay Rd. south to Watertown Rd., then west to Stubb's Bay Rd. Then south 1/4 mile to the parking lot on the west side of the road.

**Plymouth:** Off 10th Ave. N. near Vicksburg Ln.

## TRAIL PROFILE



## DON'T GET LOST!



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## PLEASE NOTE

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

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