

# Matthew Lourey State Trail

Pine and Carlton Counties

## LEGEND

### Trails

..... Matthew Lourey State Trail (natural surface\*)

..... ATV/OHM use permitted

----- Gandy Dancer Trail

Area under development for summer use

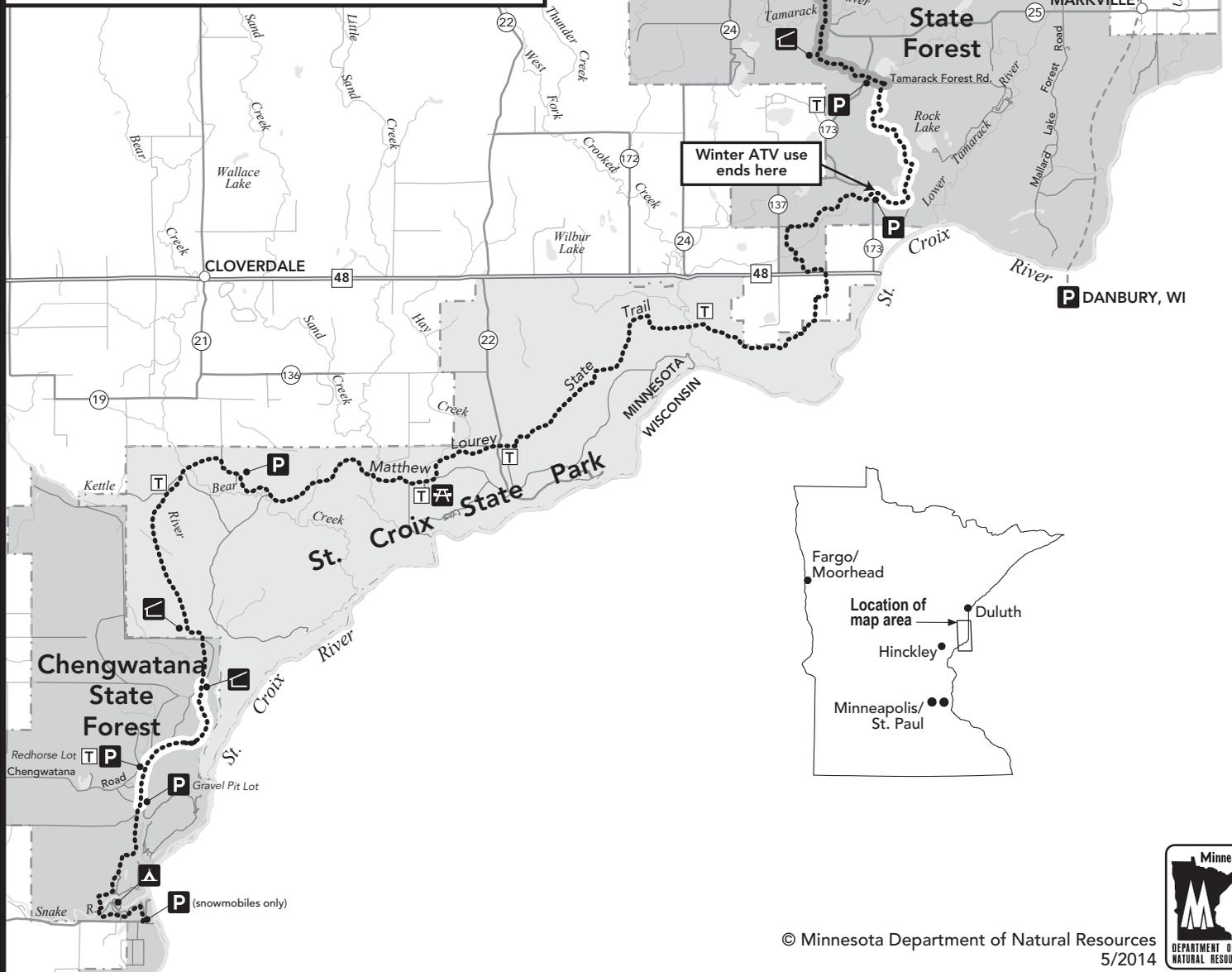
\* The entire trail is open to hiking and snowmobiling. Trail is also open to horseback riding and mountain biking, however only sections in St. Croix State Park are managed for those uses. (i.e. providing hitching rails, trail maintenance, etc.)

### Facilities

- P** Parking
- A** Campground
- ☐** Shelter
- ☐** Picnic Area
- T** Vault Toilet



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## The Matthew Lourey State Trail

is a multi-use, natural and gravel surface trail. It extends approximately 80 miles from the Harlis Road in Nemadji State Forest in southern Carlton County, to Pine County State Aid Highway 8 in Chengwatana Township in southern Pine County.

The trail travels through remote forests and is primarily located on DNR administered lands, including Nemadji, St. Croix, and Chengwatana state forests, and St. Croix State Park. County and township administered parcels complete the trail. A large portion of the trail is currently being developed for summer use.

Primary uses of the developed trail include hiking and snowmobiling, both of which are permitted along the entire 80 mile corridor. During winter, ATV use is permitted from Harlis Road in the Nemadji State Forest to Co. Rd. 173 in the St. Croix State Forest, and in the Chengwatana State Forest as shown on the map.

Portions of the trail are also open to horseback riding, mountain biking, all terrain vehicle (ATV), and off highway motorcycle (OHM) riding. See legend and map for detail.

Common mammals noticed along the trail include whitetail deer, raccoon, red fox, porcupine, beaver, and muskrat. The observant trail user may also spot coyote, timberwolf, weasel, mink, bobcat or black bear.

The Matthew Lourey State Trail honors the memory and service of Matthew Lourey, who grew up in Kerrick, Minnesota and graduated from Askov High School in 1982. Matt was an accomplished helicopter pilot as well as an avid long distance runner.

Matt was killed May 26, 2005, when his helicopter was shot down over Iraq. While serving first in the Marines, his career spanned 21 years in the United States military. Matt and his family enjoyed using this trail throughout the years.

### This trail requires a permit or trail pass for the following:

#### Horse Pass

A valid Horse Pass is required by person 16 years of age or over while riding, leading, or driving a horse on this trail. The pass must be available for inspection by a peace officer, a conservation officer, or an employee designated under section 84.0835.

#### Snowmobile State Trail Sticker

A snowmobile that is not registered in the state of MN requires a snowmobile state trail sticker affixed to the snowmobile while riding on this trail and other state lands where snowmobiles are allowed.

## Parking Available:

### Nemadji State Forest

- Gafvert Campground and Day Use Area

### St. Croix State Forest

- Tamarack Forest Road
- County Road 173
- Across the MN/WI border in Danbury, WI

### St. Croix State Park

- Township Road 277
- Township Road 1394

### Chengwatana State Forest

- Chengwatana Road - Redhorse Lot
- Chengwatana Spur A - Gravel Pit Lot
- County Road 118 (snowmobiles only)

### Non-resident ATV State Trail Pass

Non-residents operating an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) on state or grant-in-aid trails and the machine is not registered in Minnesota must possess an ATV trail pass. The ATV trail pass does not need to be displayed on the machine, but must be available for inspection when requested by an officer.

### Non-resident ORV State Trail Pass

Non-residents registered in another state operating an Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) on state or grant-in-aid trails must possess an ORV trail pass. The ORV trail pass needs to be displayed on the machine. The pass must be viewable by a peace officer, a conservation officer, or a DNR employee. If the ORV is not registered in another state then the ORV is required to register in Minnesota and this pass is not required.

For more information, please call the DNR Info Center at 1-888-MINNDNR or check the website at [www.mndnr.gov](http://www.mndnr.gov).

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