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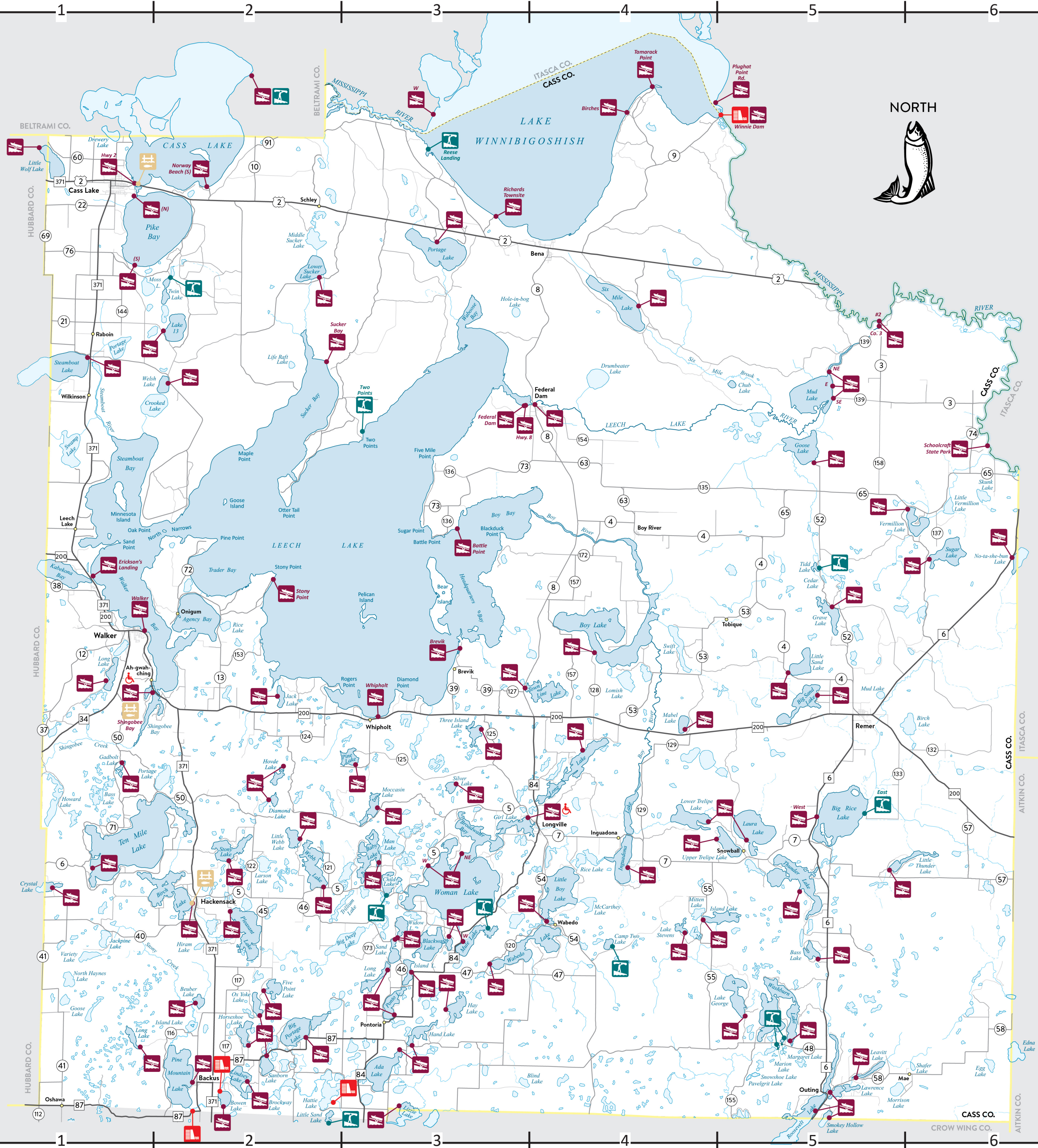
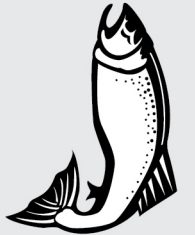
-  Water Access (Trailer)
-  Water Access (Carry in)
-  Fishing Pier
-  Dam (on State Water Trail)
-  Lake with Access
-  Lake With No Access
-  Accessible Access (see text side for more information)
-  River with Access
-  River or Stream
-  State Water Trail

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Scale in Miles

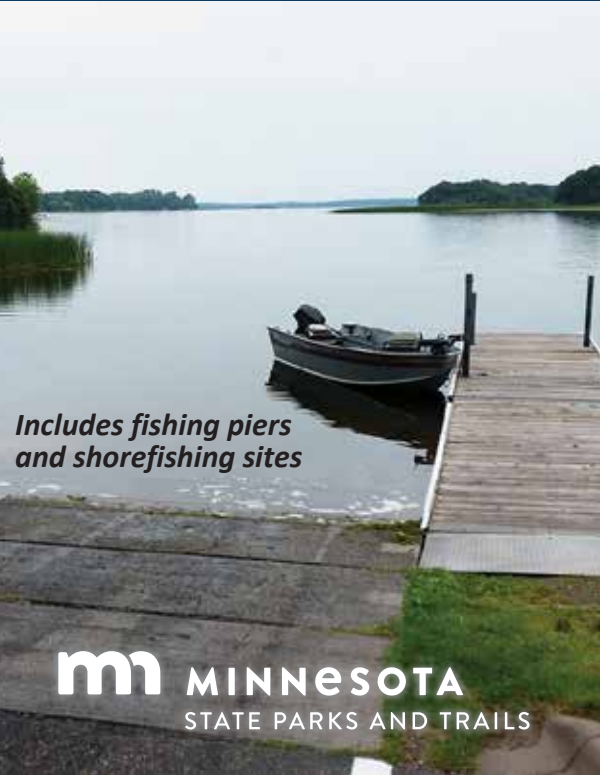
Location Map

See Southern Cass/
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portion of Cass Co.

NORTH



CASS COUNTY (northern)



Photos: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, unless otherwise noted.

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Minnesota State Parks and Trails-Bemidji (218) 308-2372

The DNR Information Center
The DNR’s Information Center is available to provide free publications of facilities and services as well as answers questions pertaining to DNR recreational opportunities in Minnesota.

500 Lafayette Road,
St. Paul, MN 55155-4040
651-296-6157 (local) or 1-888-MINNDNR

mndnr.gov

Public Water Access in Minnesota:

Minnesota has approximately 3,000 public water access sites, 375 fishing piers and shore fishing sites and 35 state water trails. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), federal agencies and local government units share in the ownership and operation of these facilities.

DNR public water access sites are usually open 24 hours a day however, access sites owned by others may have different hours and rules. Most trailer access sites have concrete launch ramps and are designed for launching watercraft up to 18 ft. in length. There are some boat ramps that can handle larger boats. There are typically no launch fees unless the access is located within a park requiring a vehicle permit.

The following activities are unlawful at public water access sites: littering, camping, overnight mooring, shooting/hunting, fires, storage of watercraft, vehicles, or equipment of any kind, and consuming alcoholic beverages. See Minnesota Rules, chapter 6218 for complete rules.

Boating Access Etiquette

Keep the launch ramp area clear unless actively launching or loading. The line to launch/load is formed by the vehicles and trailers on land (not by the order of the boats in the water or at the dock). Conditions will vary from site to site and with the changing seasons so boaters should check the condition of the ramp and depth of water before each use.

Boating Laws

Enjoying Minnesota’s lakes and rivers by paddle or motorboat is a wonderful privilege which comes with serious responsibilities. The Minnesota Boating Guide summarizes Minnesota’s boating laws and regulations in an easy-to-read form. The waterbody you are using may also be subject to federal and local rules and restrictions. For a copy of the Boating Guide contact the DNR Information Center, 651-296-6157 or 888-646-6367 Email: info.dnr@state.mn.us

All motorized watercraft regardless of length and nonmotorized watercraft over 10 feet must be licensed and pay the registration fee (exceptions may apply).

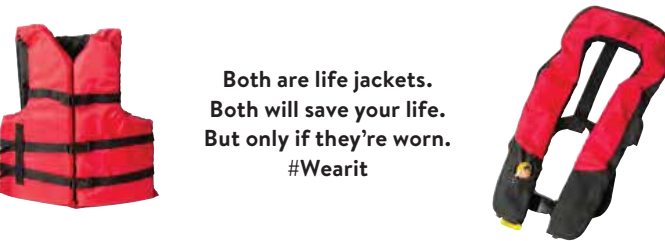
Own Your Wake

Under Minnesota law, the damage your boat wake causes is treated the same as damage caused by an actual collision. Respect others so everyone can enjoy their time on the water.

- Stay more than 200 feet away from shorelines, docks, swimmers, and watercraft.
- Boats that create an artificial wake require even more distance to lower the impact.
- Minimize repetitive passes.
- Keep the noise down and be courteous to other boaters.

Top Boating Safety Tips

- Wear your life jacket —ensure children less than 10 years old always wear theirs.
- Stay sober—Alcohol is the #1 factor in boating fatalities.
- Share your Float Plan—Tell someone where you’re going and when you will be back. If you’re not back, they should call 911.
- Know your boat - stay alert while operating, scan for dangers; stay seated and low in the boat to prevent falls overboard.



Fishing Information

Most persons 16 to 89 are required to have the appropriate license with them when fishing (exception may apply). Licenses are available online and at many stores that sell fishing related goods. To purchase a license by phone 24 hours a day, call 1-MN-LICENSE (888-665-4236) or go to mndnr.gov/buyalicense.

Season dates and bag limits can vary from lake to lake. Size restrictions may exist and fishing in a particular lake could be closed or limited. Check the Special Regulations and the Minnesota Fishing Regulations for more information or online at mndnr.gov/fishing.

Do Your Part to Protect Minnesota Waters

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)

AIS are non-native plants, animals, and diseases that harm fish populations, water quality and water recreation. Most boaters and anglers take action to prevent the spread of invasive species and protect Minnesota waters. To find out if a water body contains an AIS, visit mndnr.gov/lakefinder, visit mndnr.gov/infested, or look for an “Invasive Species Alert” sign at the public water access.

Watercraft Inspectors are Here to Help

Inspectors will inform you about AIS and will physically inspect your boat, trailer, other water-related equipment, and compartments that hold water. Be prepared:

When entering:

- Arrive cleaned and drained. Open the lids of closed compartments that could hold water, like live wells, so the inspector can see they are drained.



When exiting:

- Pull all drain plugs. Clean off any plants, mud and invasive animals.

Tell us how we are doing by emailing: wip.dnr@state.mn.us

Take Action

Before leaving the access or shoreland, you must:

- Clean your boat, trailer and gear to remove plants and prohibited invasive species.
- Drain all water and leave plugs out during transport.
- Dispose of unwanted bait in the trash.
- To Keep leftover live baitfish: (1) bring extra bottled or dechlorinated tap water with you and (2) on shore before leaving, drain your bait container and refill it with the extra water.

Take these additional steps to reduce the risk of spreading AIS whenever possible:

- Decontaminate your equipment – find free stations at mndnr.gov/decon
- Spray your equipment with high-pressure water or rinse it with very hot water (120 degrees for at least two minutes or 140 degrees for at least 10 seconds).
- Dry your boat and gear for five days before using in another water body.

Know the Laws

- You may not transport aquatic plants or prohibited invasive species, dead or alive.
- You may not launch watercraft or place a trailer in the water if it has aquatic plants, zebra mussels or other prohibited invasive species attached or water present in compartments.
- You must drain all water, remove the drain plug(s) and leave all water-draining devices open when transporting watercraft, gear and equipment.
- You may not release bait or non-native species into Minnesota waters.
- You may need a permit to harvest bait or transport water from an infested water body.

mndnr.gov/AIS

Public Water Accesses in northern Cass County

Water Body Name	Map Grid Location	Ramp Type	Fish Species	Administrator	Water Body Name	Map Grid Location	Ramp Type	Fish Species	Administrator		
Ada Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Long Lake (Deerfield)	F1	concrete	Various	County		
Baby Lake	E3	concrete	C,LB,N,W,M	DNR	Long Lake	D4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Beuber Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR	Long Lake (Ponto)	F3	concrete	LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Bass Lake	F5	concrete	C,N,S,SB	DNR	Lower Sucker Lake	B2	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	USFS		
Big Portage Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Lower Trelipse Lake	E4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Big Rice Lake (West)	E5	earth	N / A	USFS	Mabel Lake	D4	earth	LB,N,S,W	USFS		
Big Rice Lake (East)	E5	carry in	N / A	DNR	Margaret Lake	F5	carry in	C,N,S,W	DNR		
Big Sand Lake	D5	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	City	Marion Lake	F5	carry in	ST	DNR		
Birch Lake	E2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	City	Mississippi River	Winnie Dam*	A5	concrete	Various	USFS/DNR	
Birch Lake	E2	fishing pier	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		#2	B5	concrete	Various	USFS	
Blackwater Lake	E3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		#3	B5	concrete	Various	USFS	
Bowen Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR		Schoolcraft State Park	C6	concrete	Various	DNR	
Boy Lake	D4	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Moccasin Lake	E3	concrete	LB,N,S	USFS		
Camp Two Lake	E4	carry in	C,LB,N,S	DNR	Mud Lake (NE)	B5	concrete	N / A	USFS		
Cass Lake (Norway Beach S)	A2	concrete	M,N,S,W	USFS	Mud Lake (E)	B5	earth	N / A	USFS		
Cass Lake (Hwy 2)	A1	concrete	M,N,S,W	DNR	Mud Lake (SE)	C5	gravel	N / A	USFS		
Cass Lake	A1	fishing pier	M,N,S,W	DNR	Mule Lake (W)	E3	concrete	C,N,S,SB,W	DNR		
Child Lake	E3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	County	Mule Lake (W)	E3	carry in	C,N,S,SB,W	DNR		
Crystal Lake	E1	carry in	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	No-ta-she-bun Lake	C6	concrete	C,N,LB,S,W	DNR		
Diamond Lake	E2	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	USFS	Ox Yoke Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR		
Five Point Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Pike Bay (S)	B1	concrete	LB,M,N,S,W	USFS		
Gadbolt Lake	E1	earth	LB, N, S	USFS	Pike Bay (N)	B1	concrete	LB,M,N,S,W	City		
George Lake	F5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Pine Mountain Lake	F2	concrete	LB,N,S,W	City		
Girl Lake 🚶	E4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB,W	City	Pine Lake	E3	concrete	N / A	USFS		
Goose Lake	C5	concrete	N / A	DNR	Pleasant Lake	E2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Grave Lake	D5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Ponto Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Hand Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Portage Lake	B3	earth	C,N,S,W	USFS		
Hay Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR	Roosevelt Lake	F5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Horseshoe Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Sanborn Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB,W	DNR		
Hovde Lake	E2	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	USFS	Sand Lake	E3	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Inguadona Lake	E4	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Silver Lake	E3	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR		
Island Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Six Mile Lake	B4	concrete	N,S,W	USFS		
Island Lake	E4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Smokey Hollow Lake	F5	concrete	C,LB,N	DNR		
Jack Lake	D2	earth	Various	County	Steamboat Lake	B1	concrete	C,N,S,W	DNR		
Laura Lake	E5	earth	C,N,S	DNR	Stevens Lake	E4	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR		
Lawrence Lake	F5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	City	Stony Lake	E2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		
Leavitt Lake	F5	concrete	LB,N,S,W	DNR	Sugar Lake	C6	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	USFS		
Leach Lake	Erikson's Landing	D1	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Ten Mile Lake	E1	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
	Brevik	D3	earth	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Thirteen Lake	B2	concrete	N / A	USFS	
	Shingobee Island	D1	asphalt	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Three Island Lake	D3	concrete	LB,N,S,W	USFS	
	Shingobee Island 🚶	D1	fishing pier	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Thunder Lake	E5	concrete	C,LB,N,W	DNR	
Leach Lake River	Stony Point	D2	asphalt	C,LB,M,N,S,W	USFS	Tidd Lake	C5	carry in	N,S	USFS	
	Battle Point	C3	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Town Line Lake	D3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
	Sucker Bay	B2	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Twin Lake	B2	carry in	N / A	USFS	
	Two Points	C3	carry-in	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Upper Trelipse Lake	E5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
Lech Lake	Walker	D1	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	City	Vermillion Lake	C6	earth	C,LB,N,S	USFS	
	Whipolt	D3	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	MN DOT	Wabedo Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,SB,W	DNR	
	Hwy 8	C3	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	USCOE	Washburn Lake	F5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
	Federal Dam	C3	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	USCOE	Webb Lake	E2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
Lech Lake	River Entrance	C3	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,W	DNR	Welsh Lake	B2	concrete	C,N,S,W	DNR	
	Lindsey Lake	F2	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Widow Lake	E3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
	Little Boy Lake	E4	concrete	C,LB,M,N,S,SB,W	DNR	Winnigoshish Lake	Reese Landing	A3	carry in	C,M,N,S,W	USFS
	Little Sand Lake	D5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR		Richards Townsite	B3	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	USFS
Little Sand Lake	F2	carry in	N / A	County	Birches		A4	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	USFS	
Little Thunder Lake	E5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Plughat Point Rd.		A4	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	USFS	
Little Webb Lake	E2	concrete	C, LB, N,W	DNR	Tamarack Point	A4	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	USFS		
Lizzie Lake	F3	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR	W	A3	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	USFS		
Long Lake (Walker)	D1	concrete	N / A	USFS	Woman Lake (NE)	E3	earth	C,N,S,W	DNR		
					Woman Lake (N)	E3	concrete	C,N,S,W	DNR		

Fish Species: C — Crappie, LB — Largemouth Bass, M — Muskellunge, N — Northern Pike, S — Sunfish, SB — Smallmouth Bass, ST — Stream Trout, W — Walleye, N / A — Not Available

Administrator: DNR - MN Dept. of Natural Resources
MN DOT - MN Dept. of Transportation
USFS - U.S. Forest Service
USCOE - U.S. Corps of Engineers

* State Park Vehicle Permit Required

Accessible Accesses

Public water access sites developed after 2012 will have accessible parking spaces and accessible routes to the top of the boat ramp. Some sites have additional accessible routes to a dock and other site amenities. When known, these sites are identified with the red, accessible symbol shown above.

Fishing piers and developed shore fishing sites have been designed to meet the needs of people with disabilities. Parking is generally located within 300 feet of the site and there is a hard surface path from the parking area to the facility. The DNR cooperates with a variety of local units of government to maintain the fishing piers.

If a facility is out of compliance or you have difficulty using any part of an access or pier, please report the problem to the site administrator listed in this guide, or contact the DNR Information Center, 651-296-6157 (888-MINNDNR) or email info.dnr@state.mn.us.

