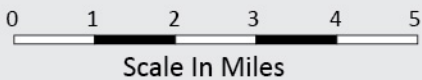
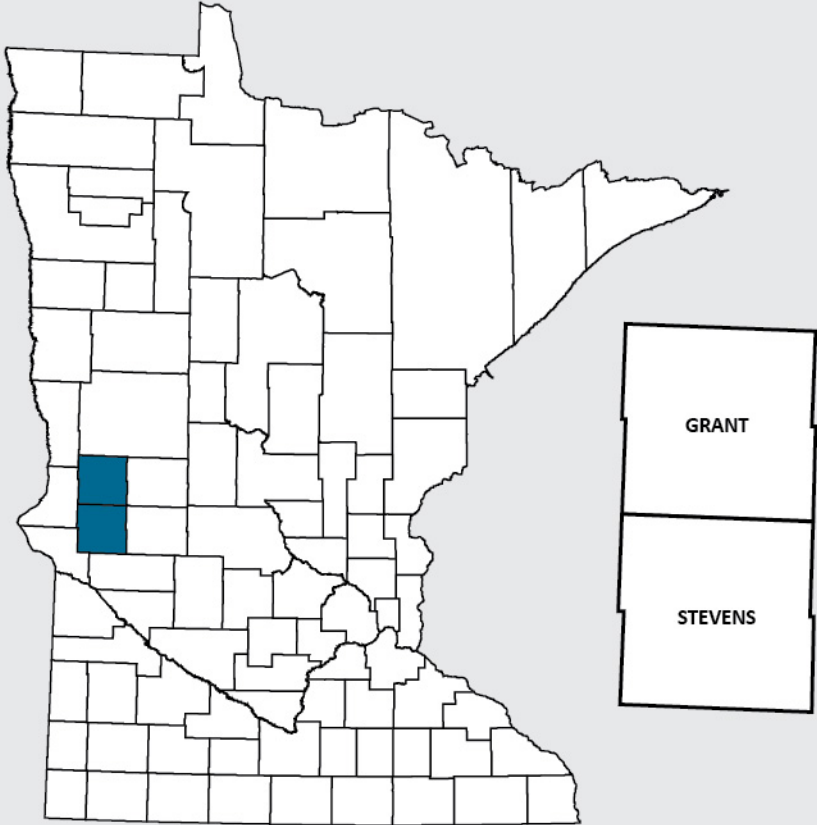


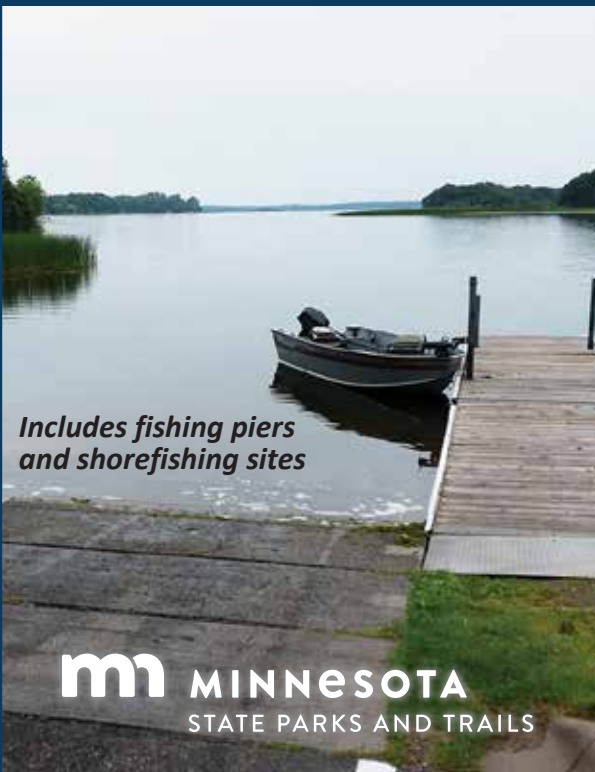
Grant and Stevens Counties

- Water Access (Trailer)
- Water Access (Carry in)
- Fishing Pier
- Lake with Access
- Lake With No Access
- River with Access
- River or Stream
- State Water Trail

Location Map



GRANT AND STEVENS COUNTIES



Includes fishing piers
and shorefishing sites



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Resources, unless otherwise noted.

Persons with disabilities may request this
information in an alternative format.



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(218) 755-4024

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 Grant & Stevens Counties

Water Body Name	Map Grid Location	Ramp Type	Fish Species	Administrator	Water Body Name	Map Grid Location	Ramp Type	Fish Species	Administrator
GRANT CO.					STEVENS CO.				
Ash Lake	A1	carry in	unknown	DNR	Lake Charlotte	E4	concrete	unknown	DNR
Barrett Lake	B3	concrete	C, LB, N, S, W	City	Hattie Lake	E2	concrete	N, S, W	DNR
Barrett Lake	B3	fishing pier	C, LB, N, S, W	City/DNR	Long Lake	E4	gravel	C, N, S	Sport Club
Christina Lake	A4	concrete	unknown	DNR	Page Lake	F4	concrete	C, N, S, W	Sport Club
Cottonwood Lake	C2	concrete	C, LB, N, S, W	DNR	Perkins Lake	D3	concrete	C, N, S, W	DNR
Elk Lake (Lower)	C4	concrete	C, N, S, W	DNR	Pomme De Terre Pool	E3	carry in	unknown	City
Elk Lake (Upper)	C4	concrete	C, N, S, W	City	Pomme de Terre River	D3	gravel	Various	USFWS
Graham Lake	C2	earth	unknown	Township					
Lee Lake	B3	carry in	unknown	USFWS					
Lightning Lake	A2	concrete	N, W	City/Township					
Mustinka Flowage	C2	earth	Various	City					
Mustinka River	A2	carry in	Various	USFWS					
Niemackl Marsh	C2	carry in	unknown	DNR					
Pelican Lake	A3	concrete	C, LB, N, S, W	DNR					
Pomme De Terre Lake (E)	A3	concrete	C, LB, N, S, W	City					
Pomme De Terre Lake (S)	B3	concrete	C, LB, N, S, W	DNR					
Pomme De Terre Lake (W)	A3	concrete	C, LB, N, S, W	DNR					
Thompson Lake	B4	concrete	C, N, S, W	DNR					
Thorstad Lake	B3	carry in	unknown	USFWS					

Fish Species: C — Crappie, LB — Largemouth Bass,
N — Northern Pike, S — Sunfish,
W — Walleye

Administrator: DNR - MN Dept. of Natural Resources
USFWS - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service



Both are life jackets.
Both will save your life.
But only if they're worn.
#Wearit



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.

