

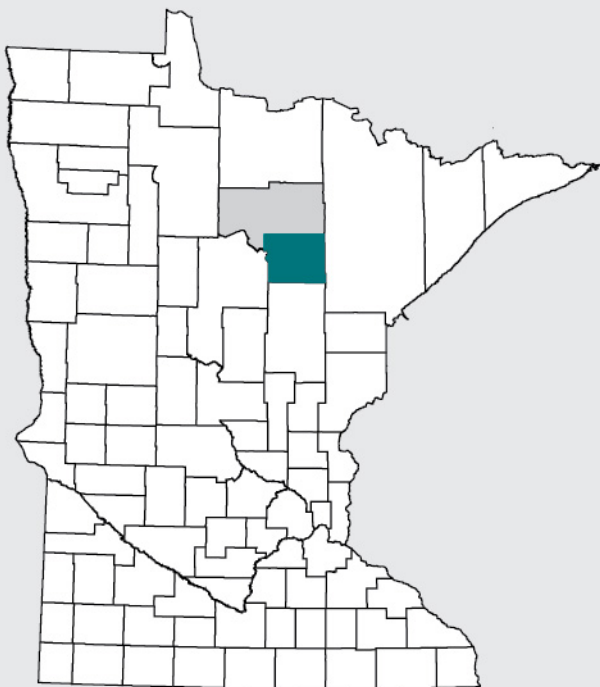
Itasca County (southeastern)

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



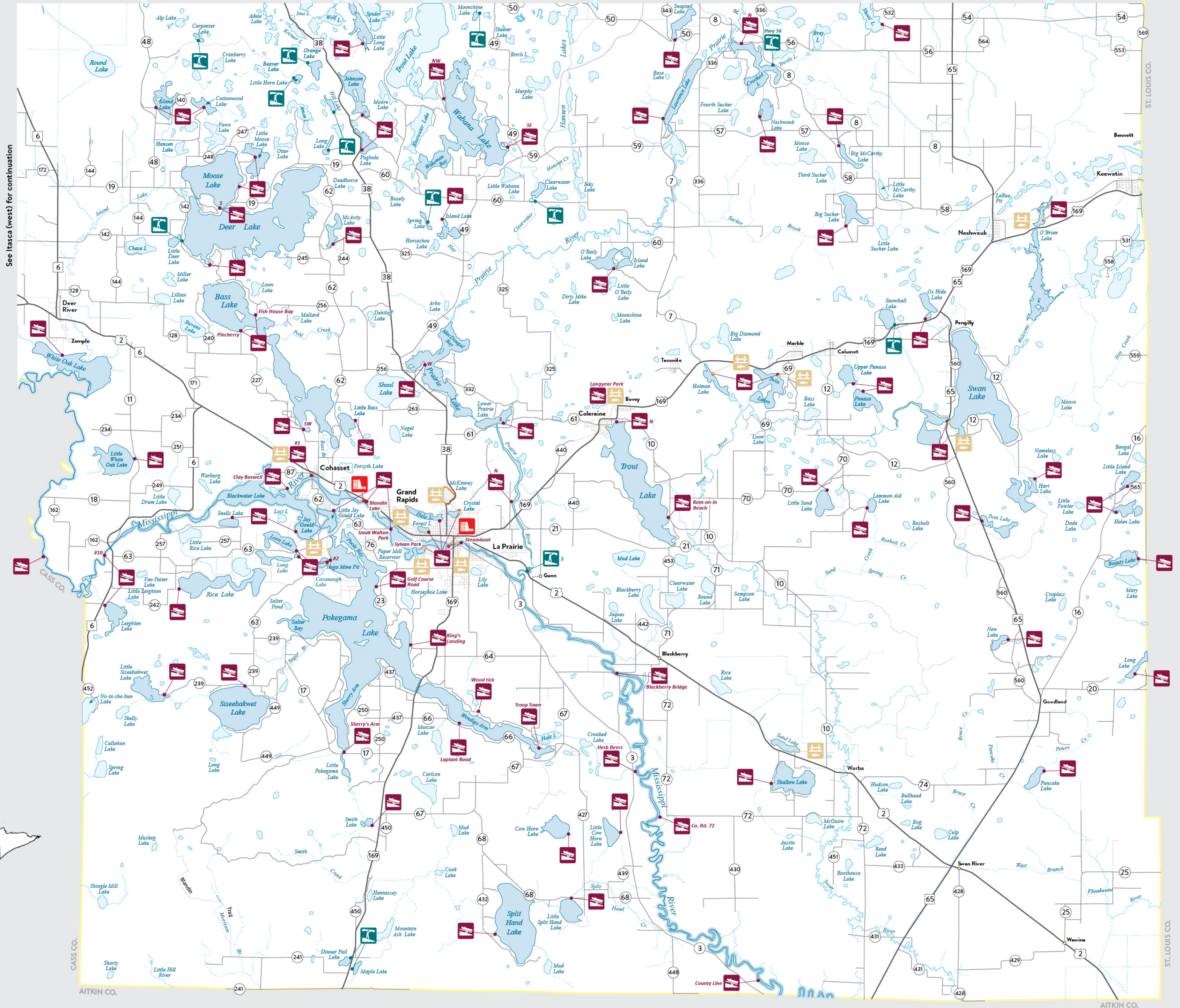
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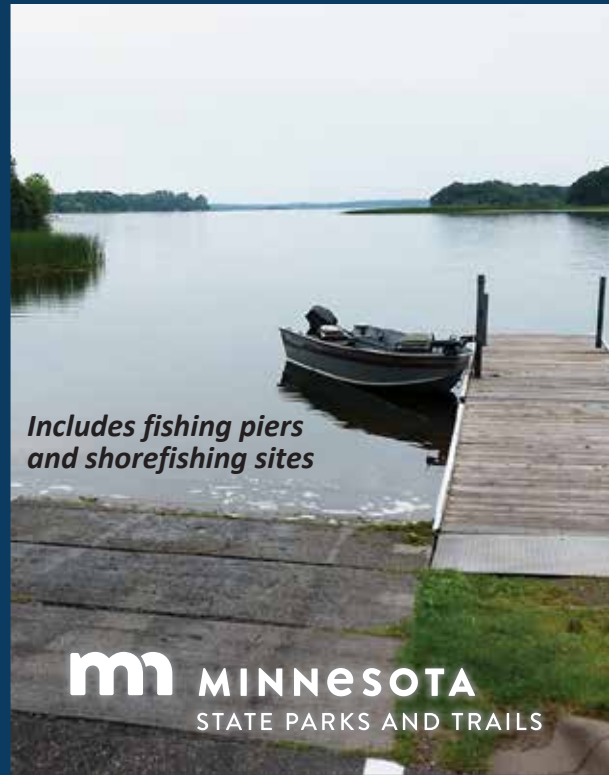


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(218) 999-7923

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

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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.

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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 southeastern Itasca County


Water Body Name	Map Grid Location	Ramp Type	Fish Species	Administrator	Water Body Name	Map Grid Location	Ramp Type	Fish Species	Administrator	
Bass Lake (Fish House Bay)	B3	earth	N,S,W	County	Panasa Lake	B5	concrete	Various	Township	
Bass Lake (Pincherry)	B2	concrete	N,S,W	DNR	Pancake Lake	D6	concrete	Various	County	
Bass Lake	C3	concrete	N,S,W	DNR	POKEGAMA LAKE	Tioga	C3	concrete	LB,N,S,SB,W	DNR
Beauty Lake	C6	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR		Tioga	C3	fishing pier	LB,N,S,SB,W	City
Big McCarthy Lake	A5	concrete	C,N,S	DNR		NE - Golf Course Road	C3	earth	LB,N,S,SB,W	City
Big Sucker Lake	B5	concrete	C, LB,N,S	DNR		King's Landing	D3	concrete	LB,N,S,SB,W	Township
Carpenter Lake	A2	carry in	N / A	USFS		Wood Tick	D3	concrete	LB,N,S,SB,W	Township
Cottonwood Lake	A2	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR		Laplant Road	D3	concrete	LB,N,S,SB,W	Township
Cowhorn Lake	D4	earth	N / A	County		Troop Town	D4	concrete	LB,N,S,SB,W	Township
Crooked Lake	A5	concrete	C,N,S,W	DNR		Sherry Arm	D3	concrete	LB,N,S,SB,W	County
Crooked Lake	A5	carry in	C,N,S,W	DNR		Prairie Lake	B3	concrete	C,N,S,W	Township
Crystal Lake	C3	concrete	N,S	City		Prairie Lake (Lower)	C4	concrete	C,N,S,W	Township
Deer Lake	B2	concrete	C,M,N,S,SB,W	DNR	Prairie River	C4	earth	Various	MN DOT	
Dinner Pail Lake	E3	carry in	C,LB,N,S	County	Pughole Lake	A3	concrete	C,N,S,W	MN DOT	
Forest Lake	C3	asphalt	N,S,W	City	Rice Lake	C2	concrete	Various	DNR	
Forest Lake	C3	fishing pier	N,S,W	City	Sand Lake	D5	fishing pier	C,LB,N,S	DNR	
Hale Lake	C3	concrete	LB,N	City	Shallow Lake	D5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	County	
Hart Lake	C6	earth	C,LB,N,S	County	Shaol Lake	A5	earth	C,LB,N,S	County	
Hay Lake	B3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	County	Siseebakwet Lake	D2	concrete	N,W	County	
Helen Lake	C6	earth	C,LB,N,S	County	Smith Lake	D3	earth	C,LB,N,S	County	
Hill Lake	A3	carry in	LB,S	USFS	Snells Lake	C2	earth	N / A	County	
Holman Lake	B4	concrete	C,LB,N,S	Township	Snaptail Lake	A4	earth	C,LB,N,S	DNR	
Holman Lake	B4	fishing pier	C,LB,N,S	Township	Snowball Lake	B5	carry in	C,LB,N,S,W	MN DOT	
Island Lake	A2	concrete	C,LB,N,S	County	Split Hand Lake	E4	concrete	C,N,W	DNR	
Jay Gould Lake	C3	concrete	C,LB,N,S	County	Spring Lake	B3	carry in	C,LB,N,S	County	
Johnson Lake	A3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	Swan Lake	C5	concrete	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
Lammon Aid Lake	C5	earth	C,LB,N,S	County	Swan Lake	C5	fishing pier	C,LB,N,S,W	DNR	
Lawrence Lake	A4	concrete	C,N,S,W	DNR	Trout Lake (N)	C4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB,W	City	
Leighton Lake	C2	earth	C,N,LB,S,W	DNR	Trout Lake (Longyear Park)	C4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB,W	Township	
Little Bass Lake	C3	concrete	LB,N,S W	DNR	Trout Lake (Kom-on-in Park)	C4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB,W	Township	
Little Cow Horn Lake	D4	earth	N	DNR	Trout Lake	C4	fishing pier	C,LB,N,S,SB,W	Township	
Little Deer Lake	B2	carry in	C,LB,N,S	County	Twin Lake	B5	concrete	Various	Township	
Little Horn Lake	A3	carry in	N / A	USFS	Twin Lake	B5	fishing pier	Various	Township	
Little Jay Gould Lake	C3	concrete	LB,N,S,W	City	Twin Lake	C6	earth	C,LB,N,S,W	MN DOT	
Little Island Lake	C6	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR	Upper Panasa Lake	B5	sand	C,LB,N,S	Township	
Little Long Lake	A3	concrete	Various	DNR	Wabana Lake (Northwest)	A3	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB	DNR	
Little Moose Lake	A3	earth	C,M,N,S,W	County	Wabana Lake (Southeast)	A4	concrete	C,LB,N,S,SB	DNR	
Little Sand Lake	C5	earth	C,N,S	County	White Oak Lake	B2	concrete	N / A	DNR	
Little Siseebakwet Lake	D2	earth	N / A	DNR						
Little Split Hand Lake	E4	concrete	C,N,S,W	DNR						
Little White Oak Lake	C2	earth	Various	County						
Long Lake	A3	carry in	C,LB,N,S	County						
Long Lake	D6	earth	C,N,S	County						
Long Lake	C3	earth	LB, N,S	County						
Loon Lake	C3	concrete	LB,N,S	County						
Maple Lake	E3	carry in	N / A	County						
McAvity Lake	B3	earth	C,N,S,W	County						
MISSISSIPPI RIVER	Mississippi River #10	C2	concrete	Various	County					
	#1	C3	asphalt	Various	City					
	#1	C3	fishing pier	Various	City					
	Blandin Lake	C3	concrete	Various	USCOE					
	Izaak Walton Park	C3	earth	Various	Blandin					
	Sylvan Bay	C3	concrete	Various	City					
	Sylvan Bay	C3	fishing pier	Various	City					
	Steamboat Landing	C3	concrete	Various	City					
	Black Berry Bridge	D4	concrete	Various	DNR					
	Herb Beers	D4	concrete	Various	DNR					
County Road 72	D4	concrete	Various	DNR						
County Line	E5	concrete	Various	DNR						
Moonshine Lake	A3	carry in	ST	USFS						
Moore Lake	A3	carry in	LB,S	USFS						
Moose Lake (N)	B2	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	DNR						
Moose Lake (S)	B2	concrete	C,M,N,S,W	County						
Nashwauk Lake	A5	earth	C,N,S	County						
New Lake	D6	earth	C,N,S	Township						
O'Brien Reservoir	B6	concrete	LB,N,S	DNR						
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Orange Lake	A3	carry in	LB,M,S,SB	USFS						
O'Reilly Lake	B4	concrete	C,L,B,N,S	DNR						
Ox Hide Lake	B5	concrete	C,LB,N,S	DNR						

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