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

STATE PUBLIC WATER ACCESS MAP

MURRAY AND NOBLES COUNTIES

Public Water Access in Minnesota:
The Minnesota DNR State Park and Trail's water recreation program provides approximately 1,400 boat access sites, over 35 fishing piers and shore fishing sites and manages 35 designated Water Trails in Minnesota. The DNR, federal government and local communities operate boat accesses. See the table on the right for specific site information. The DNR boating programs are funded by boat license fees & gas taxes levied on marine use.

Public accesses are usually open 24 hours unless otherwise posted. Most sites have launch ramps but some sites, especially on smaller rivers, are carry in only. Bathrooms and docks are usually located only on the larger public boat sites.

Public Water Access Rules - The launch area must be kept clear and the following activities are unlawful: steering, camping, building fires, and consuming alcoholic beverages. See Minnesota Rules, chapter 6218 for complete rules.

Boating in Minnesota:
The annual Minnesota Boating Guide summarizes Minnesota’s boating laws and regulations in an easy-to-read form. The guide supplies information about operating on watercraft on the state’s lakes and rivers. Operate at safe speeds, be aware of the water conditions, and watch for other boaters. The guide also describes the DNR’s water trail program and where to find it. See Minnesota DNR State Parks and Trails’ water recreation program provides approximately 1,650 boat accesses, over 365 fishing piers and shore fishing sites and manages 35 designated Water Trails in Minnesota. The DNR, Federal Government and local management agencies operate boat accesses. See the table on the right for specific site information. The DNR boating programs are funded by boat license fees & gas taxes levied on marine use.

Federal Aid Project funded by your purchase of fishing equipment and motor boat fuels.

Minnesota State Parks and Trails-New Ulm
(507) 359-6000

The DNR Information Center
The DNR 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 55155-6040 651-296-6157 (Local) or 1-888-MN-DNR (toll free).

mndnr.gov

Fishing in Minnesota:
Fishing Regulations and Licensing - All persons 16 and older are required to have the appropriate license with them when fishing. Licenses are available through the DNR License Bureau, most County Auditors and many stores that sell fishing related goods. Trust fishing requires a trout stamp. For more information call the DNR Information Center at 1-855-296-6157 or 1-888-646-6367. To purchase a license by phone 24 hours a day, call 1-888-MN-LICENSE (665-2436).

Selective Harvest Fishing - Improved technology and increased fishing have caused the quality of fishing to decline in many waters. Practicing “Selective Harvest” offers anglers an opportunity to take some fish home while releasing others back into the water. Operator age restrictions also apply. Consult the Minnesota’s boating laws and regulations in an easy-to-read form. Boating in Minnesota

Accessible Accesses
Public water access sites developed after 2012 have been designed with accessible parking spaces and accessible routes to the top of the boat ramp. Some sites have additional accessible routes to a dock or other site amenities. These sites are identified with the accessible symbol shown below.

Fishing piers and developed shore fishing sites have been designed to meet the needs of people with disabilities. Parking is generally located within 500 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.

Sometimes, weather or vandalization can make these designed sites no longer accessible. If a site is found to be out of compliance, please report problems to the site administrator listed in this guide, or contact the DNR Information Center, 1-855-296-6157 (toll free) or email info.dnr@state.mn.us. You can also use LakeFinder to find out if a particular lake is listed as an infested water.

Drain water out of canoes, kayaks, and other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water. Many invasive species can be transported in the mud or other objects that were in the water.