

WRIGHT COUNTY (86)

Number of lakes 298
 Lake area, acres. 44,834

The lakes in the county were formed by ice blocks deposited in till and in outwash and by the irregular deposition of till.

Outwash deposits in the county are located along the northern boundary and near the central part of the county between Buffalo and Montrose. The outwash in the northern part of the county is bordered on the south by rugged morainal hills, 2 to 10 miles wide. Morainal hills also extend along the western edge of the county and in several bands 2 to 3 miles wide across the central and southeastern parts of the county. A rolling till plain extends through the county between the morainal areas. The following table lists examples of types of basins found in the county:

Origin	Ident. No.	Name
Ice blocks deposited in till	86-90	Buffalo
	86-263	Cokato
	86-53	Pulaski
Ice blocks deposited in outwash plains	86-251	Pleasant
	86-252	Clearwater
	86-183	Fish
Ice blocks deposited in till and outwash	86-279	Twin
	86-288	John
	86-233	Sugar
Irregular deposition of till	86-31	Pelican
	86-86	Fountain
	86-190	Ann

Large lakes entirely within Wright County:

Ident. No.	Name	Area, acres
86-31	Pelican	2,793
86-90	Buffalo	1,510
86-233	Sugar	1,145
86-134	Maple	1,013
86-279	Twin	1,012
86-227	Cedar	837
86-53	Pulaski	770
86-199	Howard	764
86-289	Sylvia	747
86-251	Pleasant	639
86-85	Mud	585
86-263	Cokato	544
86-288	John	506

Clearwater, 86-252, is actually the largest lake in the county. It has an area of 2,830 acres in Wright County and an area of 874 acres in Stearns County.

About 20 per cent of the lakes in Wright County are affected by artificial drainage systems.

Lakes classified by area

Area in acres

	10 to 25	25 to 50	50 to 75	75 to 100	100 to 125	125 to 150	150 to 200	200 to 500	500 to 1000	1000 to 2500	2500 to 5000	Total
Number listed.....	70	35	35	36	22	20	24	41	9	4	2	298
Number affected by drainage or dry.....	7	5	13	10	5	6	10	9	1	0	0	66

Ident. number	Name	Range	Township	Location Section	Area in Acres	Meandered	Remarks
86-1	Foster.....	23	120	3,4	124	x	
86-2	Rice.....	23	120,121	3:34	57	...	
86-3	.....	23	121	18	10	...	
86-4	.....	23	121	20	15	...	
86-5	.....	23	121	21	17	...	
86-6	.....	23	121	27	13	...	
86-7	.....	23	121	NW 33	18	...	
86-8	.....	23	121	C 33	27	...	
86-9	Martha.....	24	119	5	101	x	Originally meandered with Charlotte Lake as one lake.
86-10	Wagner.....	24	119,120	4:33	131	x	Originally meandered to include Steele Lake.
86-11	Charlotte.....	24	119,120	5,6:31,32	245	x	Originally meandered to include Martha Lake.
86-12	.....	24	119,120	6:31	13	...	Affected by ditch.
86-13	.....	24	120	10,11,14,15	246	...	Affected by C.D. 21
86-14	Swamp.....	24	120	11	60	x	Affected by C.D. 9.
86-15	School.....	24	120	16,17	114	x	Affected by C.D. 21.
86-16	.....	24	120	17	39	...	
86-17	Uhl.....	24	120	21,22,28	82	x	
86-18	.....	24	120	22,23,26,27	62	...	Affected by ditch.
86-19	Gonz.....	24	120	23,26	152	x	Do.
86-20	Wilhelm.....	24	120	27	109	x	
86-21	Mud.....	24	120	28,29	78	x	
86-22	Steele.....	24	120	28,33	151	x	Originally meandered as part of Wagner Lake.
86-23	Beebe.....	24	120	29,30	315	x	
86-24	.....	24	120	35	32	...	
86-25	School.....	24	120	SW 36	76	x	Originally meandered to include Mud Lake.
86-26	Mud.....	24	120	E 36	128	x	Originally meandered with School Lake as one lake.
86-27	.....	24,25	119	18:13	52	...	
86-28	Moore.....	24,25	119,120	6:31:1:36	192	x	
86-29	Schmidts.....	24,25	120	30:24,25	207	x	
86-30	.....	24,25	120	31:36	16	...	
86-31	Pelican.....	24,25	120,121	various	2,793	x	
86-32	Rice.....	25	117,118	1:35,36	186 (246)	x	Also in Carver County 100. 1953 air photos show part of bed exposed.
86-33	.....	25	118	9,10	105	...	Affected by ditch.
86-34	Cedar.....	25	118	15,16,21,22	191	x	Affected by C.D. 28.
86-35	25	118	21,22,27	53	...	Affected by ditch.

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86-36		25	118	27,28,33	178	...	Do.
86-37		25	118	32	128	...	Do.
86-38	Mud	25	118,119	1,2;35,36	89	...	Affected by C.D. 36.
86-39		25	119	7,18	96	...	
86-40		25	119	9	63	...	Affected by ditch
86-41	Dean	25	119	9,16	204	x	
86-42		25	119	11,12	97	...	Affected by C.D. 41.
86-43		25	119	11-14	104	...	
86-44		25	119	14,23	146	...	Affected by ditch.
86-45		25	119	17,20	11	...	
86-46	Crawford	25	119	20	117	...	
86-47		25	119	20,21	51	...	Affected by ditch.
86-48	Cook	25	119	26,27,34,35	77	...	
86-49	Mary	25	119,120	5;32	331	x	
86-50		25	120	2	53	...	
86-51	Constance	25	120	7,8	195	x	
86-52		25	120	8,9	17	...	
86-53	Pulaski	25	120	8,9,16,17,20,21	770	x	
86-54		25	120	10	19	...	
86-55		25	120	12	11	...	
86-56	Washington	25	120	14,23	130	x	
86-57		25	120	15	21	...	
86-58		25	120	16	11	...	
86-59		25	120	18	19	...	
86-60	Rice	25	120	20,29	32	x	Affected by ditch.
86-61	Schmidt	25	120	23	43	x	
86-62		25	120	24	27	...	
86-63	Green Mountain	25	120	25,26,35,36	166	x	
86-64	Gilchrist	25	120,121	3,4;33,34	388	x	
86-65		25	121	6	72	...	In Kelley-Meyer Wildlife Management area.
86-66	Birch	25	121	7,18	103	x	
86-67	First	25	121	9	14	...	Affected by C.D. 39.
86-68	Mud	25	121	9,16	76	x	Do.
86-69	Long	25	121	16,17	160	x	Do.
86-70	Bertram	25	121	17	137	x	Dam at outlet.
86-71	East Twin	25	121	19	26	x	Originally meandered with West Twin Lake as one lake.
86-72	North	25	121	19,20	93	x	
86-73	Cedar	25	121	19,29,30	271	x	
86-74		25	121	20	21	...	
86-75		25	121	24,25	42	...	
86-76		25	121	25	18	...	
86-77		25	121	26	12	...	
86-78	Slough	25	121	27,28	61	x	Affected by ditch.
86-79		25	121	28	13	...	1953 air photo shows part of bed exposed.
86-80		25	121	29	14	...	Affected by ditch.
86-81		25	121	33	20	...	
86-82	Paradise	25	121	34	32	x	
86-83		25	121	34,35	15	...	
86-84		25	121	35	26	...	
86-85	Mud	25,26	118	6,1;12	585	...	Affected by C.D. 22.
86-86	Fountain	25,26	118	6,7,18;12,13	455	x	1953 air photos show part of bed exposed.
86-87		25,26	118	19;24	69	...	
86-88	Mink	25,26	119	6;1	114	...	
86-89	Tamarack	25,26	119	6,7;1,12	123	x	
86-90	Buffalo	25,26	119,120	30,31;1;25,35,36	1,510	x	Dam at outlet.

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		Range	Township	Section			
86-91	Vamer	25,26	120	19,13,24	99	...	
86-92		25,26	121	7,12,13	57	...	
86-93	Slough	25,26	121	18,19; 13,24	56	x	Affected by ditch.
86-94	West Twin	25,26	121	19,24	30	x	Originally meandered with East Twin lake as one lake
86-95	Black	25,26	121	30,31;25,36	208	x	Originally meandered as a much smaller lake.
86-96	Black	25,26	122	31,36	34	x	
86-97	Carrigan	26	118	3,4	162	...	
86-98		26	118	5	46	...	Affected by ditch.
86-99	Ruckles	26	118	18,19	210	x	Affected by C.D. 31.
86-100	Lauzers	26	118	19,30	80	x	
86-101	Dog	26	118	20,28,29	187	...	Affected by ditch.
86-102	Pooler	26	118	25,36	166	...	Do.
86-103	Ida	26	118	31,32	95	...	
86-104		26	118	33,34	71	...	Affected by J.D. 4.
86-105		26	118,119	3,34	142	x	Affected by C.D. 38.
86-106	Little Waverly	26	118,119	6;31,32	336	x	Dam at outlet.
86-107	Deer	26	119	1,2	164	x	Do.
86-108	Goose	26	119	2	43	...	
86-109	Fadden	26	119	10	19	...	
86-110		26	119	16,21	164	...	Affected by ditch.
86-111		26	119	19	27	...	
86-112	Mallardi	26	119	25,36	149	...	
86-113		26	119	28	17	...	
86-114	Waverly	26	119	28,32,33	498	x	
86-115		26	119	30	20	...	
86-116	Birch	26	119,120	2,3;34,35	137	x	
86-117		26	119,120	3,34	14	...	
86-118		26	120	2,3	40	...	Affected by ditch.
86-119	Sullivan	26	120	3,10	129	...	
86-120	Ramsey	26	120	7,8,17,18	355	x	Dam at outlet.
86-121		26	120	13,14	20	...	Affected by C.D. 12.
86-122	Lightfoot	26	120	14	87	x	
86-123	North Twin	26	120	15,22	47	x	
86-124		26	120	17,20	128	...	Affected by ditch.
86-125	Mary	26	120	18,19	50	...	
86-126	South Twin	26	120	22	40	x	
86-127	Albert	26	120	22,27	78	...	
86-128		26	120	23,26,27	34	...	
86-129		26	120	NW 24	34	...	
86-130		26	120	C 24	11	...	
86-131	Berthiaume	26	120	26,27	68	...	
86-132	Abbie	26	120	27,33,34	125	x	
86-133	Angus	26	120,121	1,36	71	x	
86-134	Maple	26	120,121	3-5,8;33-35	1,013	x	
86-135		26	121	2	11	...	
86-136		26	121	2,11	66	...	
86-137	Maria	26	121	3,4,9,10	27	x	In Silver Creek wildlife management area.
86-138		26	121	NE 4	17	...	
86-139		26	121	W 4	180	...	
86-140	Silver	26	121	5,8	89	x	
86-141		26	121	8	10	...	
86-142	Slough	26	121	9,10	67	x	Affected by C.D. 39. In Silver Creek wildlife management area.
86-143		26	121	10,11	12	...	
86-144		26	121	NE 11	13	...	
86-145		26	121	SE 11	10	...	

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			Township	Section			
86-146	Ida	26	121	11,12	245	x	
86-147	Little Eagle	26	121	13	79	...	
86-148	Eagle	26	121	13,14,23	199	x	
86-149		26	121	NC 14	15	...	
86-150		26	121	NW 14	12	...	
86-151		26	121	14,15,23	12	...	
86-152	Millstone	26	121	17,18	221	x	
86-153		26	121	19,30	50	...	
86-154		26	121	21	38	...	
86-155		26	121	23,24	21	...	Affected by ditch.
86-156	Mary	26	121	29-32	232	x	In Maple Lake wildlife management area.
86-157		26	121	29,32	177	...	Affected by C.D. 20.
86-158		26	121	30	28	...	Do.
86-159		26	121	32	78	...	
86-160		26	121	35,36	15	...	
86-161	West	26	121,122	2,3;34,35	88	x	
86-162	Slough	26	121,122	4;33	17	x	Affected by C.D. 24.
86-163	Limestone	26	121,122	5;31,32	373	x	
86-164	Rice	26	122	7,8,17,18	95	x	
86-165		26	122	19	37	...	
86-166		26	122	19,20	13	...	
86-167		26	122	20	22	...	
86-168	Locke	26	122	21,22,28	152	x	
86-169		26	122	23	11	...	
86-170	Twin	26	122	28,29	91	x	
86-171	Ember	26	122	29,32	66	x	
86-172		26	122	30	104	...	In Hoglung wildlife management area.
86-173		26	122	34	11	...	
86-174	North	26	122	34,35	113	x	
86-175		26	122	SC 36	12	...	
86-176	Melrose	26	122	NW 36	76	x	
10-128	Swan				11 (130)	x	See Carver County (10).
86-177	Yager	26,27	118	7;12,13	212	x	Affected by ditch.
86-178	Dog	26,27	118	30,31;25	249	x	
86-179	Mains	26,27	119	7;12	46	x	Affected by ditch.
86-180	School Section	26,27	119	31;25,35,36	266	x	Do.
86-181	Little Rock	26,27	120	19,30;24,25	78	x	Do.
86-182	Rock	26,27	120	30,31;25,36	181	x	
86-183	Fish	26,27	122	7,18;12,13	104	x	
43-20	Coon				50 (118)	x	See McLeod County (43).
86-184	Dutch	27	118	2,3,10,11	218	x	
86-185	Mud	27	118	3	51	...	
86-186	Tuey	27	118	8,9,17	97	x	Affected by C.D. 10.
86-187	Milky	27	118	10,11	60	...	Affected by ditch.
86-188	Emma	27	118	13,14,23,24	216	x	
86-189		27	118	14	12	...	
86-190	Ann	27	118	14,15,23	457	x	
86-191		27	118	17,18	153	...	Affected by C.D. 10.
86-192	Round	27	118	24,25	53	x	
86-193	Mary	27	118	25,36	196	x	
86-194	Long	27	118	26,27	255	x	Affected by ditch.
86-195		27	118	29	24	...	
86-196		27	118	31	41	...	
86-197	Maple	27	118	32	82	...	Affected by ditch.
86-198	Butler	27	118	35	131	...	

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			Township	Section			
86-199	Howard	27	118,119	3,4;27,28,33,34	764	x	Dam at outlet.
86-200	Spring	27	118,119	6:31	63	x	
86-201		27	119	2	17	...	
86-202	Junkins	27	119	6	59	...	
86-203		27	119	13	111	...	
86-204	Taylor	27	119	14,22,23	78	x	
86-205		27	119	20	107	...	Affected by ditch.
86-206	Doerfler	27	119	25,26	102	x	
86-207	Wolfe	27	119,120	2:35	52	x	Affected by ditch.
86-208	Swart Watts	27	120	3,4	344	x	Dam at outlet.
86-209	Willima	27	120	5-8	245	x	Affected by C.D. 16.
86-210	Henry	27	120	6,7	68	x	Do.
86-211	Edward	27	120	8,9,17	94	x	
86-212	Albion	27	120	9,10,16	330	x	
86-213	Henshaw	27	120	11,14,15,23	277	x	
86-214	White	27	120	13,24	145	x	
86-215	Slough	27	120	16,17	37	x	
86-216		27	120	16,17,20,21	28	...	
86-217	Granite	27	120	19,20,29,30	358	x	
86-218	Maxim	27	120	20,21,29	146	...	Affected by ditch.
86-219	Mud	27	120	25	66	...	
86-220		27	120	26,35	10	...	
86-221	Camp	27	120	28,29,32,33	140	x	
86-222		27	120,121	4,5;32	198	...	Affected by ditch.
86-223	Indian	27	121	1,12	135	x	
86-224	Sandy	27	121	3,10	118	...	
86-225		27	121	13	20	...	
86-226		27	121	15	10	...	
86-227	Cedar	27	121	15,21,22,27,34	837	x	Dam at outlet.
86-228		27	121	23	15	...	
86-229	Mink	27	121	23,24	304	x	
86-230	Somers	27	121	24,25	156	x	
86-231		27	121	26	18	...	
86-232		27	121	35	16	...	
86-233	Sugar	27	121,122	1,2,10,11;35,36	1,145	x	
86-234	Bass	27	121,122	4,5;32,33	234	x	
86-235		27	122	10	15	...	
86-236		27	122	13,24	23	...	
86-237		27	122	21	21	...	
86-238	Nixon	27	122	22,23,26	76	x	
86-239	Sheldon	27	122	24	52	...	
86-240		27	122	26	16	...	
86-241	Cornell	27	122	26,27	46	x	
86-242	Wiegand	27	122	28	71 (85)	...	Also in Stearns County 73.
86-243	Grass	27	122	32	100 (123)	x	Also in Stearns County 73. Dam at outlet.
86-244		27	122	32,33	78	x	
86-245		27	122	33	21	...	
86-246		27	122	34	49	...	
86-247		27	122	WC 35	18	...	
86-248		27	122	NE 35	14	...	
86-249		27	123	34,35	7 (12)	...	Also in Stearns County 74. Reservoir.
86-250	Smith	27,28	119	30,31;36	330	x	
86-251	Pleasant	27,28	121	19,20;24	639	x	
86-252	Clearwater	27,28	121,122	various	2,830 (3704)	x	Also in Stearns County 73.
86-253	Butternut	28	117,118	2:35,36	182 (203)	x	Also in McLeod County 43.

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86-254		28	117,118	4:33,34	121 (128)	...	Do.
86-255	Shakopee	28	117,118	4,5:32,33	151 (206)	x	Do.
86-256	Chelgren	28	118	7,8	67	...	
86-257	Grass	28	118	11-14	409	...	Affected by C.D. 10.
86-258		28	118	15,16,21,22	29	...	
86-259		28	118	15,22	103	...	Affected by C.D. 26.
86-260	Slough	28	118,119	1,2:35,36	95	x	1953 air photo shows b exposed.
86-261		28	119	7,18	84	...	Affected by ditch.
86-262		28	119	8,9	21	...	
86-263	Cokato	28	119	14,15,23	544	x	
86-264	Brooks	28	119	C 28	93	...	
86-265	Dahlgren Slough	28	119	SW 28	27	...	
86-266	Skifstrom	28	119,120	1:36	56	...	
86-267		28	119,120	6:31	83	...	Affected by ditch.
86-268		28	120	1,2	61	...	
86-269		28	120	3,4	20	...	
86-270		28	120	4	19	...	
86-271	Moses	28	120	5-8	145	x	Affected by ditch.
86-272		28	120	11	15	...	
86-273	French	28	120	11,12,14	408	x	
86-274	Dans	28	120	14,23,24	90	x	
86-275		28	120	21,28	63	...	Affected by ditch.
86-276		28	120	24	124	...	Do.
86-277		28	120	25	87	...	Do.
86-278	Goose	28	120,121	2,3:34,35	114	x	
86-279	Twin	28	120,121	4,5:28,32,33	1,012	x	
86-280	Pickerel	28	120,121	5:32	26	...	
86-281	Caroline	28	121	3,4	78 (138)	...	Also in Stearns County
73-14	Marie				69 (145)	x	See Stearns County
86-282	Louisa	28	121	7,8	102 (183)	...	Also in Stearns County
86-283		28	121	8	18	...	
86-284	Augusta	28	121	11,14	114 (186)	...	Also in Stearns County
86-285		28	121	14	35	...	
86-286		28	121	19,20,29	53	...	
86-287		28	121	20,29	12	...	
86-288	John	28	121	23,25,26,35	506	x	
86-289	Sylvia	28	121	27,28,33,34	747	x	
86-290		28	121	29	29	...	
86-291		28	121	EC 31	11	...	
86-292		28	121	SE 31	30	...	
86-293	Collinwood	28,29	118	6,7:1,12	362 (637)	...	Also in Meeker County Dam at outlet.
47-1	Maple				10 (140)	x	See Meeker County
86-294		28,29	118	19,30:24,25	277 (303)	...	Also in Meeker County
86-295	Swan	28,29	119	6,7:1,12	230 (400)	x	Do.
86-296	Beaver Dam	28,29	119	30:25	152 (253)	x	Do.
47-2	Francis				462 (1172)	x	See Meeker County
86-297	Scott	28,29	121	19:24	92 (101)	x	Also in Meeker County
86-298	Union	28,29	121	30,31:25,36	48 (91)	x	Also in Meeker County Originally meander Meeker County only

