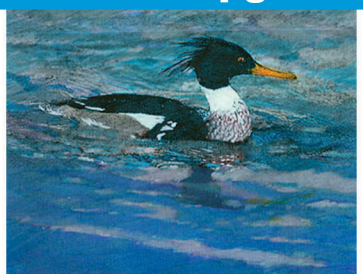
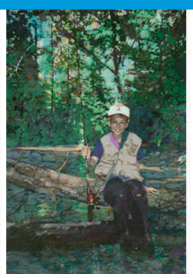

State Forest Pathways
Northern Lower Peninsula

MAP KEY	PATHWAY DIRECTIONS TO TRAILHEAD	FEATURES
GAYLORD MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(989) 732-3541**
AA	**WILDWOOD HILLS:** 6 miles SW of Indian River via Straits Hwy & Wildwood Rd	9.3 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
BB	**LOST TAMARACK:** Trailhead located at Weber Lake SF Campground	4.75 miles, 2 loops, hike, bike, camp (104)
CC	**SPRING BROOK:** 8 miles NE of Boyne Falls via Thumb Lake Rd (Co Rd 626), Slashing Rd & Chandler Rd	5 miles, hike, bike
DD	**WARNER CREEK:** 9 miles N of Alba via US-131 & M-32	3.8 miles, hike, bike
EE	**JORDAN VALLEY:** 8 miles N of Alba via US-131 & Dead Mans Hill Rd	18 miles, hike, camp (102 & 103), no biking
FF	**PINE BARON:** 5 miles SW of Gaylord via I-75, Alba Rd & Lone Pine Rd N"	8.75 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
GG	**BIG BEAR LAKE:** Trailhead located at Big Bear Lake SF Campground	2.2 miles, hike, bike, camp (109 & 110)
PIGEON RIVER COUNTRY MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(989) 983-4101**
HH	**HIGH COUNTRY:** 10.5 miles E of Vanderbilt via Sturgeon Valley Rd	80+ miles, hike, bike, camp (111, 113, 116, 118, 122, 123, 125)
II	**PICKEREL LAKE:** Trailhead located at Pickerel Lake SF Campground	1.9 miles, hike, bike, camp (112)
JJ	**SHINGLE MILL:** 10.5 miles E of Vanderbilt on Sturgeon Valley Rd	14 miles, 5 loops 3/4 - 11 miles, hike, bike, camp (113 & 114)
KK	**INSPIRATION POINT:** 2 miles N of Cheboygan County Line on Osmun Rd	.25 mile, hike, bike, open field on high hill overlooking valley
ATLANTA/OTSEGO MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(989) 785-4251**
LL	**BLACK MOUNTAIN:** 11 miles N of Onaway via Co Rd 489	30 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, horseback, camp (119 & 120)
MM	**OCQUEOC FALLS BICENTENNIAL PATHWAY:** Trailhead located at Ocqueoc Falls SF Campground	1 - 6 miles, groomed ski, 3 loops, hike, bike, camp (121)
NN	**SINKHOLE:** 13 miles SE of Onaway via M-33 & Tomahawk Lake Hwy"	2.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (122 & 124
OO	**CLEAR LAKE/JACKSON LAKE:** 10 miles N of Atlanta on M-33 at Clear Lake St Park & Jackson Lake SF Campground	7.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (125)
PP	**BUTTLES ROAD:** 3 miles N of Lewiston on Buttles Rd	7 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
QQ	**CHIPPEWA HILLS:** 11 miles W of Ossineke via Nicholson Rd & Kissau Rd S	6.6 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
SS	**NORWAY RIDGE:** 4.5 miles SW of Alpena on Werth Road	7 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
TT	**OSSINEKE:** Trailhead located at Ossineke SF Campground	1 mile, hike, bike, camp (130)
UU	**BESSER BELL:** 9 miles N of Alpena via US-23 & Co Rd 405	1 mile, hike, bike

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TRAVERSE CITY MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(231) 922-5280**
VV	**BETSIE RIVER:** 6 miles W of Thompsonville via M-115, King Rd & Longstreet R	10 miles, hike, bike
WW	**PLATTE SPRINGS:** Trailhead located at Platte River SF Campground	2.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (145)
XX	**LAKE ANN:** Trailhead located at Lake Ann SF Campground	5.8 miles, hike, bike, camp (142)
YY	**LOST LAKE:** Trailhead located at Lake Dubonnet SF Campground	6.3 miles, hike, bike, camp (140)
ZZ	**MUNCIE LAKE:** 13 miles SE of Traverse City via Garfield Ave, Hammond Rd, High Lake Rd, Supply Rd & Rennie Lake Rd	11.5 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
A1	**VASA TRAIL:** 7 miles E of Traverse City via US-31, Bunker Hill Rd & Bartlett Rd	16.7 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
B1	**SAND LAKES QUIET AREA:** (skiers) 5.5 miles SE of Williamsburg via M-72 & Bromhead Rd; (hikers) trailhead located at Guernsey Lake SF Campground	10+ miles, hike, bike, camp (134)
CADILLAC MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(231) 775-9727**
C1	**CADILLAC:** 5 miles NE of Cadillac via US-131, Boon Rd (34 Mile Rd), & Seeley Rd	11.3 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
D1	**SILVER CREEK:** Trailhead located at Silver Creek SF Campground	4 miles, hike, bike, camp (154 & 155)
E1	**PINE VALLEY:** 15 miles NE of Baldwin via M-37 & 7 Mile Rd	8.2 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
F1	**PINE FOREST:** 1.5 miles NE of Baldwin via M-37, Merriville Rd and 40th St	.8 miles, hike, bike, camp (157)
G1	**SHEEP RANCH:** 2 miles E of Baldwin via US-10 & Mud Trail	4.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (158)
H1	**OSCEOLA:** 6 miles E of LeRoy via Sunrise Lake Rd & 15 Mile Rd.	.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (159)
GRAYLING MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(989) 348-6371**
I1	**MASON TRACT:** (north) 15 miles E of Grayling on M-72; (south) 16 miles SE of Grayling via M-72 & Chase Bridge Rd S	11.5 miles, groomed ski, hike, camp (180), no biking
ROSCOMMON MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(989) 275-4622**
J1	**TISDALE TRIANGLE:** 0.5 miles E of Roscommon via M-18 & Tisdale Rd	10.1 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
K1	**RED PINE NATURAL AREA:** 8 miles N of St. Helen via F-97 & Sunset Rd	1.5 miles, hike, bike, interpretive foot trail
L1	**OGEMAW HILLS:** 5 miles N of West Branch on Fairview Rd	13.6 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
M1	**LOST TWIN LAKES:** 7 miles SE of Houghton Lake via M-55 & Co Rd 400 (Reserve Rd)	3 miles, hike, bike
GLADWIN MANAGEMENT UNIT		**(989) 426-9205**
N1	**TROUT LAKE:** Trailhead located at Trout Lake SF Campground	2.7 miles, hike, bike, camp (184 & 185)
O1	**GREEN PINE LAKE:** 14 miles NW of Clare on M-115	8.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (160)
P1	**PINE HAVEN:** 1 mile NW of Sanford via W. River Rd & Maynard Rd	10 miles, hike, bike

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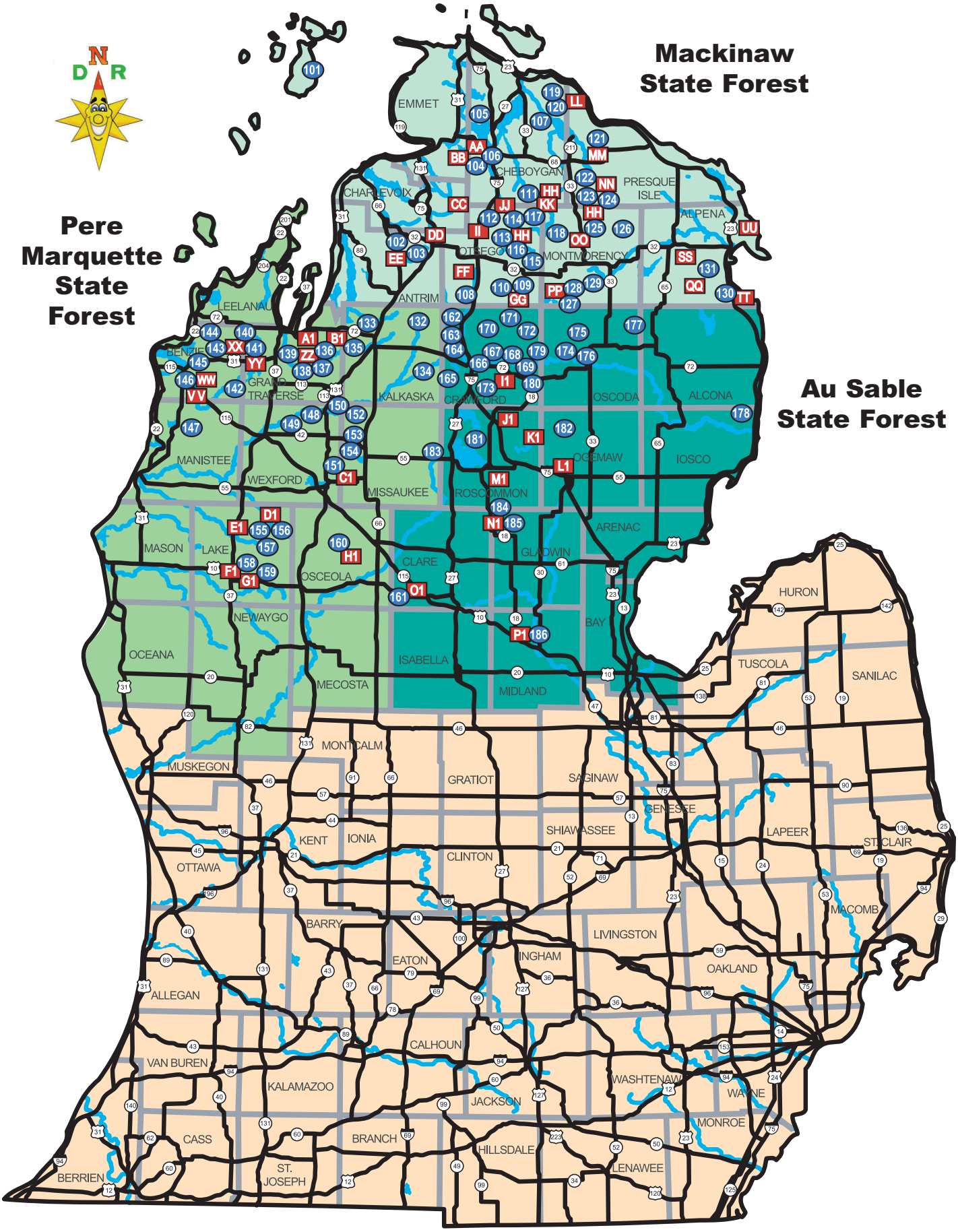
State Forest Campgrounds & Pathways

Lower Peninsula



MAP KEY	CAMPGROUND: LOCATION	# of Sites							
GAYLORD MANAGEMENT UNIT									**(989) 732-3541**
101	**BEAVER ISLAND:** 7 miles S of St James via East Side Rd	25					•		
102	**GRAVES CROSSING:** 10 miles N of Mancelona via US-131 & M-66	10	EE		•		•	C	•
103	**PINNEY BRIDGE:** 5.5 miles NW of Alba via 620 & Cascade Rd	15	EE		•		•		
104	**WEBER LAKE:** 7.5 miles NW of Wolverine via Wolverine Rd & Prue Rd	18	BB				•	C	•
105	**MAPLE BAY:** 3.5 miles E of Brutus via Brutus Rd	38					•	R	•
106	**HAAKWOOD:** 2 miles N of Wolverine via Old 27, then E on Campground Rd	18			•		•	C	•
107	**STONEY CREEK TRAIL CAMP:** 12 miles E of Indian River via M-68, N. M-33 & Stoney Creek Rd	10	Q1	•			•		•
108	**LAKE MARJORY:** 1.25 miles S of Waters via Old 27 & Cottonwood Rd	10					•		
109	**BIG BEAR LAKE:** 1.5 miles SW of Vienna Corners via Principal Meridian Rd & Little Bear Lake Rd	30	GG				•		•
110	**BIG BEAR POINT:** .25 miles SW of #109	14	GG				•	R	•
PIGEON RIVER COUNTRY MANAGEMENT UNIT									**(989) 983-4101**
111	**PINE GROVE:** 12 miles E of Wolverine via Wolverine Rd, Webb Rd, & Campsite Rd	6	HH				•		
112	**PICKEREL LAKE (OTSEGO):** 10 miles NE of Vanderbilt via Sturgeon Valley Rd & Pickerel Lake Rd	39	II				•	R	•
113	**PIGEON BRIDGE:** 10.5 miles E of Vanderbilt via Sturgeon Valley Rd and Twin Lakes Rd	10	JJ HH				•		
114	**PIGEON RIVER:** 13.5 miles E of Vanderbilt via Sturgeon Valley Rd & Twin Lakes Rd	19	JJ				•		•
115	**JOHNSON'S CROSSING TRAIL CAMP:** 15 miles E of Gaylord via M-32, Wilkinson Rd, Marquart Rd, Sparr Rd & Johnson's Crossing Rd	10	Q1	•					•
116	**ROUND LAKE:** 14 miles E of Vanderbilt via Sturgeon Valley Rd & Round Lake Rd	10	HH						
117	**ELK HILL TRAIL CAMP:** 14 miles E of Vanderbilt via Sturgeon Valley Rd, Twin Lakes Rd, & Osmun Rd	10	Q1	•			•		•
118	**TOWN CORNER LAKE:** Contact Gaylord Operations Service Center (517) 732-3541	12	HH				•	R	•
ATLANTA/OTSEGO MANAGEMENT UNIT									**(989) 785-4251**
119	**TWIN LAKES:** 6 miles SE of Alverno via Black River Rd & Twin Lakes Rd	12	LL				•	C	
120	**BLACK LAKE:** 11 miles N of Onaway via M-211, Co Rd 489, Black Mt. Rd & Doriva Beach Rd	50	LL			#21	•	R	•
121	**OCQUEOC FALLS:** 12 miles W of Rogers City via M-68	15	MM				•		
122	**SHOEPAC LAKE:** 12 miles SE of Onaway via M-33 & Tomahawk Lk Hwy	28	HH NN				•	R	•
123	**TOMAHAWK CREEK FLOODING:** 13 miles N of Atlanta on M-33, 1 mile E of M-33 on Tomahawk Lake Rd	36	HH				•	R	•
124	**TOMAHAWK LAKE:** 11 miles SE of Onaway via M-33 & Tomahawk Lake Hwy	26	NN				•	R	•
125	**JACKSON LAKE:** 6 miles N of Atlanta via M-33	18	HH OO			#25	•	C	
126	**ESS LAKE:** 16 miles NE of Atlanta via M-33 & Co Rd 624	27					•	R	•
127	**LITTLE WOLF LAKE:** 3 miles SE of Lewiston via Co Rd 489 & Wolf Lake Rd	24					•	C	•
128	**BIG OAKS:** 10 miles SW of Atlanta via Co Rd 487 & Avery Lake Rd	27					•		•
129	**AVERY LAKE:** 9 miles SW of Atlanta via Co Rd 487 & Avery Lake Rd	16					•	R	•
130	**OSSINEKE:** 1 mile E of Ossineke	42	TT				•		•
131	**THUNDER BAY RIVER:** 9 miles SW of Alpena via M-32 & Indian Reserve Rd	10			•		•	C	
TRAVERSE CITY MANAGEMENT UNIT									**(231) 922-5280**
132	**PICKEREL LAKE (KALKASKA):** 13.5 miles NE of Kalkaska via Co Rd 612 & Sunset Trail Rd	13					•	R	•
133	**RAPID RIVER TRAIL CAMP:** 3 miles N of Kalkaska via US-131, Beebe Rd, Metzgar Rd & Rice Rd			•					
134	**CCC BRIDGE:** 10 miles SE of Kalkaska via M-72 & Sunset Trail Rd	32			•		•	C	
135	**GUERNSEY LAKE:** 8 miles W of Kalkaska via Island Lake Rd & Campground Rd	36	B1				•	R	•
136	**FORKS:** 7 miles S of Williamsburg via Williamsburg Rd, Supply Rd & Brown Bridge Rd	8			•		•	C	
137	**SCHECK'S PLACE TRAIL CAMP:** 12 miles SW of Williamsburg via Williamsburg Rd, Supply Rd & Brown Bridge Rd		Q1	•	•		•		
138	**SCHECK'S PLACE:** 12 miles SW of Williamsburg via Williamsburg Rd, Supply Rd & Brown Bridge Rd	30			•		•	C	
139	**ARBUTUS NO. 4:** 10 miles SE of Traverse City via Garfield Rd, Potter Rd, 4 miles Rd & N. Arbutus Lake Rd	30					•		
140	**LAKE DUBONNET TRAIL CAMP:** 4.5 miles NW of Interlochen via M-137, US-31 & Wildwood Rd		Q1	•			•	R	•
141	**LAKE DUBONNET:** 4 miles NW of Interlochen via M-137, US-31 & Wildwood Rd	50	YY				•	R	
142	**GRASS LAKE:** 10 miles NE of Thompsonville via Co Rd 669 & Wallin Rd	15			•		•	R	
143	**LAKE ANN:** 2 miles SW of Lake Ann via Almira Rd & Reynolds Rd	30	XX				•	R	•
144	**GAREY LAKE TRAIL CAMP:** 8 miles SE of Empire via M-72, Plowman Rd & Pettengill Rd		Q1	•			•		
145	**VETERANS MEMORIAL:** 3.5 miles E of Honor via US-31	24			•		•	C	
146	**PLATTE RIVER:** 2.5 miles SE of Honor via US-31 & Goose Rd	26	WW		•		•	C	
147	**HEALY LAKE:** 7.5 miles SW of Copemish via Co Rd 669, Healy Lake Rd, Plagany Rd, & Entrance Rd	24					•		
CADILLAC MANAGEMENT UNIT									**(231) 775-9727**
148	**OLD US-131:** 7 miles N of Manton via US-131 & Old US-131	25	NCT		•		•		
149	**BAXTER BRIDGE:** 12 miles NW of Manton via M-42 & 31 Rd	25			•		•		
150	**SPRING LAKE:** 1.5 miles SW of Fife Lake via US-131	32					•	R	
151	**LONG LAKE (WEXFORD):** 8 miles NE of Cadillac via US-131 & Campground Rd	16				#35	•	R	
152	**HOPKINS CREEK TRAIL CAMP:** 5.5 miles N of Arlene via M-42 & Lucas Rd	23	Q1	•			•		
153	**GOOSE LAKE:** 2.5 miles NW of Lake City via M-42, Randall Rd, Almoses Rd, Goose Lake Rd & Green Rd	54					•	R	
154	**LONG LAKE (MISSAUKEE):** 3.5 miles NW of Lake City via M-42, Randall Rd, Almoses Rd, Goose Lake Rd & Green Rd	20					•	R	
155	**LINCOLN BRIDGE:** 7 miles N of Luther via State Rd & 10 Mile Rd	9	D1		•		•	C	

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156	**SILVER CREEK:** 5.5 miles N of Luther via State Rd	26	D1		•		•	C	
157	**CARRIEVILLE:** 3 miles W of Luther via Old M-63 & Kings Hwy	25			•	#44	•		
158	**BRAY CREEK:** 1.5 miles NE of Baldwin via M-37, North St, Merriville Rd & 40th St	9	F1				•		
159	**LEVERENTZ LAKE:** 2 miles E of Baldwin via US-10 & Forest Drive	18	G1				•		•
160	**SUNRISE LAKE:** 6 miles E of LeRoy via Sunrise Lake Rd & 15 Mile Rd	17	H1				•	R	
161	**MUD LAKE:** 11 miles E of Evart via US-10, M-66, 7 Mile Rd/Grand Rd & Brown Rd	8	O1				•	C	
GRAYLING MANAGEMENT UNIT					**(989) 348-6371**				
162	**GOOSE CREEK TRAIL CAMP:** 5.5 miles W of Frederic via Co Rd 612 & Manistee River Rd	12	Q1	•	•		•	C	•
163	**UPPER MANISTEE RIVER:** 8 miles SW of Frederic via Co Rd 612 & Goose Creek Rd	40			•		•	C	
164	**MANISTEE RIVER BRIDGE:** 7.3 miles W of Grayling via M-72	23			•		•	C	
165	**LAKE MARGRETHE:** 6.3 miles W of Grayling via M-72 & McIntyres Landing Rd	37					•	R	•
166	**AU SABLE RIVER CANOE CAMP:** 5.5 miles E of Grayling via North Down River Rd & Headquarters Rd	13			•		•	C	
167	**BURTON'S LANDING:** 3.5 miles E of Grayling via M-72 & Burton's Landing Rd	12			•		•	C	
168	**KEYSTONE LANDING:** 4.5 miles E of Grayling via M-72 & Keystone Landing Rd	18			•		•	C	•
169	**WHITE PINE CANOE CAMP:** 12 miles E of Grayling via M-72 & Wakely Br. Rd				•		•		
170	**JONES LAKE:** 9 miles E of Frederic via Co Rd 612 & Jones Lake Rd	42					•	R	•
171	**SHUPAC LAKE:** 3 miles N of Lovells via Twin Bridge Rd & Campground Trail	30					•	R	•
172	**WALSH ROAD TRAIL CAMP:** 24 miles E of Grayling via North Down River Rd & Walsh Rd	9	Q1	•			•		•
173	**4 MILE TRAIL CAMP:** 9 miles SE of Grayling via I-75 & 4 Mile Rd		Q1	•					
174	**PARMALEE BRIDGE:** 5 miles N of Luzerne via Co Rd 489	7			•		•	C	•
175	**MUSKRAT LAKE:** 12 miles NW of Mio via M-72, Co Rd 608 & Richardson Rd	12				#27	•	C	•
176	**MIO POND:** 1 mile NW of Mio via M-33 & Popps Rd	24			•		•	R	•
177	**McCOLLUM LAKE:** 8.5 miles NW of Curran via M-65 & McCollum Lake Rd	20					•	R	•
178	**VAN ETTEN LAKE:** 4.5 miles NW of Oscoda via US-23 & F-41 (Old M-171)	58					•	R	•
ROSCOMMON MANAGEMENT UNIT					**(989) 275-4622**				
179	**RAINBOW BEND:** 15 miles E of Grayling via M-72, McMasters Br, & Conners Flat	7			•		•	C	
180	**CANOE HARBOR:** 14 miles SE of Grayling via M-72 & Canoe Harbor Rd	54	I1		•		•	C	•
181	**HOUGHTON LAKE:** 6 miles NW of Houghton Lake Hts. via W. Shore Drive	50					•	R	
182	**AMBROSE LAKE:** 11 miles N of West Branch via Co Rd 15 & Co Rd 20	19				#37	•	C	
183	**REEDSBURG DAM:** 5 miles NW of Houghton Lake via M-55 & Co Rd 300	38			•		•	R	•
GLADWIN MANAGEMENT UNIT					**(989) 426-9205**				
184	**HOUSE LAKE:** 2.5 miles NE of Meredith via Meredith Grade	41	N1				•		
185	**TROUT LAKE:** 3 miles NE of Meredith via Meredith Grade	35	N1				•	R	
186	**BLACK CREEK:** 3 miles NW of Sanford via Saginaw Rd & W. River Rd	23					•		

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Michigan State Forest Campgrounds

If you're looking for a rustic camping experience, with plenty of space between campsites, the 145 state forest campgrounds are for you. Located throughout Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula, the state forest campgrounds provide over 3,000 campsites in the nearly 4-million acre state forest.

Every campground is located on a river or lake, providing excellent access to fishing, boating and canoeing. Over 60 campgrounds have nearby pathways for non-motorized trail recreation, such as hiking, biking, cross country skiing, horseback riding, and nature observation. The campgrounds also are the base for other recreation opportunities including picnicking, mushroom gathering, berry picking,and hunting.

Accommodations range from five to 50 campsites, with group sites available. All campgrounds have vault toilets and potable water from hand pumps. Some sites are so remote they only can be reached by a determined hike through picturesque woods or by paddling down a scenic river.

Camping Fee and Registration

- Select a vacant campsite and register immediately.
- Fill out a registration form and permit.
- Daily camping fee is posted at the campground information station.

- Tear off the permit from fee envelope.
- Place cash or check made payable to "State of Michigan" in envelope and deposit in camping fee collection pipe.
- Attach paid camp permit to campsite marker post.
- Set up camp and enjoy your stay.

General Campground Rules

- Camp only on designated site.
- Build campfires in designated fire ring.
- Campsite may be left unoccupied for no more than 24 hours.
- Occupy only one campsite.
- Horses allowed in designated campgrounds only.
- Dogs are allowed on a leash no more than six feet long.
- Fireworks are not permitted.
- Discharge of firearms, air guns, slingshots or arrows is not permitted.
- Radios, generators or other amplified devices may not be used in a manner that creates excessive noise.
- 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. are designated quiet hours.
- Registration can take place as early as 8 a.m. preceding the overnight stay.
- Checkout time is 3 p.m. the following day.
- Camp up to 15 days only.

LEGEND

- Letter references Pathway access at campground
- Access to Michigan Shore-to-Shore Riding/Hiking Trail
- Campground is accessible by water
- # References Off-Road Vehicle Trail map, [to order: (517) 373-1275]
- Fishing available at campground
- R = Ramp boat launch C = Carry-in boat launch
- Campground offers barrier-free facilities