

## ROUTE DESCRIPTION - River miles 125 to 176 (46 miles)

(0.0 at Minnesota Entrance – Duluth Lift Bridge).

MAP 5 - Grand Marais to Canadian Border

- 125.0 Grand Marais.** All facilities available. Municipal campground at west end of harbor. Parking, trailer access. Coast Guard station at east end of harbor. Nice beach in East Bay. [47° 44.805' N / 90° 20.020' W]
- 126.5 Old Shore Road.** Rest area, no facilities or services. Open for public recreational use. Undeveloped local access with limited parking. Located on Old Shore Road behind DNR Forestry Office. [47° 45.4183' N / 90° 18.756' W]
- 129.5 Anderson's Rest.** Rest area, no facilities. [47° 46.307' N / 90° 15.244' W]
- 130.8 Durfee Creek.** Rest area, no facilities. [47° 46.599' N / 90° 13.519' W]

- 131.0 County Road 67.** Rest area and primitive campsite. Limited space between highway and Lake. No facilities. [47° 46.612' N / 90° 13.322' W]
- 131.3 Knapp's Shore.** Rest area, no facilities. [47° 46.639' N / 90° 12.919' W]
- 131.6 Olson Shore.** Rest area, no facilities. [47° 46.593' N / 90° 12.524' W]
- 133.7 DOT Land.** Rest area, no facilities. [47° 47.266' N / 90° 10.519' W]
- 134.8 Kadunce River Wayside Rest.** Rest area, no facilities. Highway 61 Wayside Picnic area. Limited 6 hour parking. Superior Hiking Trail Access. [47° 47.608' N / 90° 9.278' W]
- 136.2 Lake Walk South.** Rest area and primitive campsite. No facilities. Superior Hiking Trail Access. [47° 47.741' N / 90° 7.452' W]

- 136.7 Mule-Kicker Beach.** Rest area and primitive campsite, no facilities. [47° 47.768' N / 90° 6.972' W]
- 139.0 Little Brule River.** Rest area, no facilities or services. Land is open for public recreational use. Small rock island located off this area. [47° 48.411' N / 90° 4.641' W]
- 139.1 Paradise Beach.** Rest area and primitive campsite. Old cabin near campsite location. Toilet. [47° 48.562' N / 90° 04.535' W]
- 139.2 Paradise Wayside Rest.** Undeveloped rest stop on Hwy 61. Limited, six hour parking. No facilities. [47° 48.628' N / 90° 4.421' W]
- 140.4 Brule River. Rest area.** Judge C.R. Magney State Park maintains a trail from the park to near the mouth of river. State park facilities are a 1/4-mile hike upstream on the west side of the river. Depending on the river level you can paddle part way up river to trail. [47° 48.933' N / 90° 3.069' W]
- 140.5 Private resort.**

- 141.8 Alden's Beach.** Rest area, no facilities. Rock cliffs on each side of cobble-sand beach. [47° 49.181' N / 90° 1.342' W]
- 144.9 Town of Hovland.** Trailer access, rest area, parking. No facilities. Cement pier and "The Ol' Dog Trail" historical marker at this location. [47° 50.335' N / 89° 58.196' W]
- 146.7 Horseshoe Bay Public Water Access.** Rest area, trailer access and dock, parking and facilities. [47° 51.047' N / 89° 56.208' W]
- 146.8 Horseshoe Bay Public Land.** Rest area and primitive, dispersed camping. [47° 51.004' N / 89° 55.951' W]
- 150.0 Arlo's Stop.** Rest area and primitive camping. No facilities. [47° 52.138' N / 89° 52.929' W]
- 150.0 Antonia's Stop.** Rest area and primitive camping. No facilities. [47° 52.055' N / 89° 52.007' W]
- 150.6 Reservation River Road.** Rest area, no facilities. Small cobble beach with good landing area. Limited daytime parking. [47° 52.463' N / 89° 52.238' W]

**Caution: No public landing areas next 10 miles.**

**Note: Use of non-public areas within Grand Portage Reservation, without permission, is prohibited.**

- 162.6 Grand Portage Marina.** Owned and operated by Grand Portage Indian Reservation. Trailer access, parking fee, camping, facilities. [47° 57.353' N / 89° 41.370' W]
- 162.8 Grand Portage National Monument.** Day-use area, parking. No camping. Information at Heritage Center to the west of stockade. [47° 57.694' N / 89° 41.070' W]
- 164.2 Hat Point Marina.** Owned and operated by Grand Portage Indian Reservation. Parking fee, camping, facilities. Ferry for Isle Royale departs from this location. [47° 57.747' N / 89° 39.126' W]
- 177.0 Tip of Pigeon Point.** Emergency landing only. No camping or facilities. Landing may be difficult. CAUTION: This entire area is ecologically sensitive.
- 174.0 Pigeon River and Customs.** The Highway 61 border-crossing bridge is located approximately one mile up from the mouth of the river. The main entrance of Grand Portage State Park is located just north of the highway near border crossing. This park is day-use only.

END OF MAP SERIES

# LAKE SUPERIOR STATE WATER TRAIL



## MAP 5 - GRAND MARAIS TO PIGEON POINT



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## ABOUT THE WATER TRAIL

This water trail segment passes cobble and sand beaches and low basalt rock outcrops. Much of the segment is within the Grand Portage Indian Reservation and has limited public access points. Plan ahead with an eye on the weather and personal needs.

The first nation people of the Grand Portage Reservation have a rich natural and cultural history. Respect the privacy of the Reservation Lands and visit the Grand Portage National Monument area to learn more. Use of all reservation land needs prior authorization by its Trust Lands and Natural Resources Office at 218-475-2415. In order to cross the border into Canada or the U.S., you will need to notify the appropriate customs office for proper entry protocol.

Calm summer waters can change to life-threatening conditions in minutes and cliff areas can prevent you from seeking safety on shore. Be prepared to deal with conditions. Local marine weather forecasts should be monitored before and during any paddling trip.



Lake conditions can change in minutes.

## TRIP PLANNING AND SAFETY

- Plan your trip with a map and tell someone your plans before you leave.
- Make sure your route fits your experience and fitness levels. The average kayaking speed is 2-3 m.p.h.
- Travel with a companion or group and know everyone's skill level.
- Seek instruction and practice kayak skills, including rescues, before paddling on Lake Superior. Be certain your boat has adequate bow and stern flotation and a pump for emptying a flooded boat.
- Anticipate changes in weather, wind and waves by monitoring a weather or marine VHF radio.
- Study shoreline features and review exit points before launching. Cliffs may create water turbulence that prevents you from going ashore.
- Always wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device. Each paddler is required to have one readily accessible.

- Know the dangers of hypothermia and dress for cold water (32 to 50 degrees Fahrenheit). Cold water is a killer – wearing a wet or dry suit is strongly recommended.
- Pack a map, water, spray skirt, float for paddle, whistle, emergency flares, and a waterproof container with a first aid kit, matches and extra clothes.
- Fog can make visibility zero. Bring a compass and know how to use it.
- A bright white light must be displayed on each kayak or canoe after sunset to prevent a collision.
- Purchase a license for your non-motorized watercraft if it's more than 10 feet in length. If you're not from Minnesota, check your state's laws.
- **This map is not adequate for sole use as a navigational aid. Utilize USGS topographic maps and NOAA charts of the North Shore.**



## AREA OVERVIEW



## CAMPING

- Respect private property along the shore! Stop only at designated areas.
- Camp only in designated campsites.
- Campgrounds require fees and reservations, while watercraft campsites are typically available on a first-come, first-served basis. Find details at [mndnr.gov/lswt](http://mndnr.gov/lswt)
- Leave a clean campsite and carry out all trash.
- Be sanitary! Use designated toilet facilities or bury human waste away from the water.



## EXPLORE ON SHORE

### JUDGE C.R. MAGNEY STATE PARK Water trail mile 140.4

Pull onto shore near the Brule River, or paddle upstream if the water is high enough, and you'll find a short trail leading into the state park. From there, enjoy picnic tables along the river or hike further on park trails. If you have an hour or two, you could hike the steep Devil's Kettle Trail to see the river plunge into an impressive pothole.

[mndnr.gov/judgemagney](http://mndnr.gov/judgemagney)

## PROTECT THE LAKE

Your experience on the lake depends on a healthy environment. As you explore the beauty of this waterway, also do your best to protect it.

### Protect Your Waters

Before launching...before leaving

- Clean off aquatic plants and animals.
- Drain all water away from the landing.
- Dispose of unwanted bait in the trash.

[mndnr.gov/invasives/aquatic](http://mndnr.gov/invasives/aquatic)

### Buffer Protection

The Minnesota buffer law establishes new vegetation buffers along rivers, streams and ditches to help filter out chemicals and sediment before they reach waterways.

[mndnr.gov/buffers](http://mndnr.gov/buffers)

## CONTACTS

### DNR TWO HARBORS

#### AREA OFFICE

1568 Hwy 2  
Two Harbors, MN 55616  
218-834-1430

### DNR INFORMATION CENTER

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888-646-6367  
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### JUDGE C.R. MAGNEY

#### STATE PARK

4051 East Highway 61  
Grand Marais, MN 55604  
218-387-6300

## MEDICAL

### NORTH SHORE HEALTH

515 5th Ave West  
Grand Marais, MN 55604  
218-387-3040



**IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 911**

## More Information

[mndnr.gov/watertrails](http://mndnr.gov/watertrails)

- Interactive water trail map
- Recommended routes
- Lake safety
- Virtual tours

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