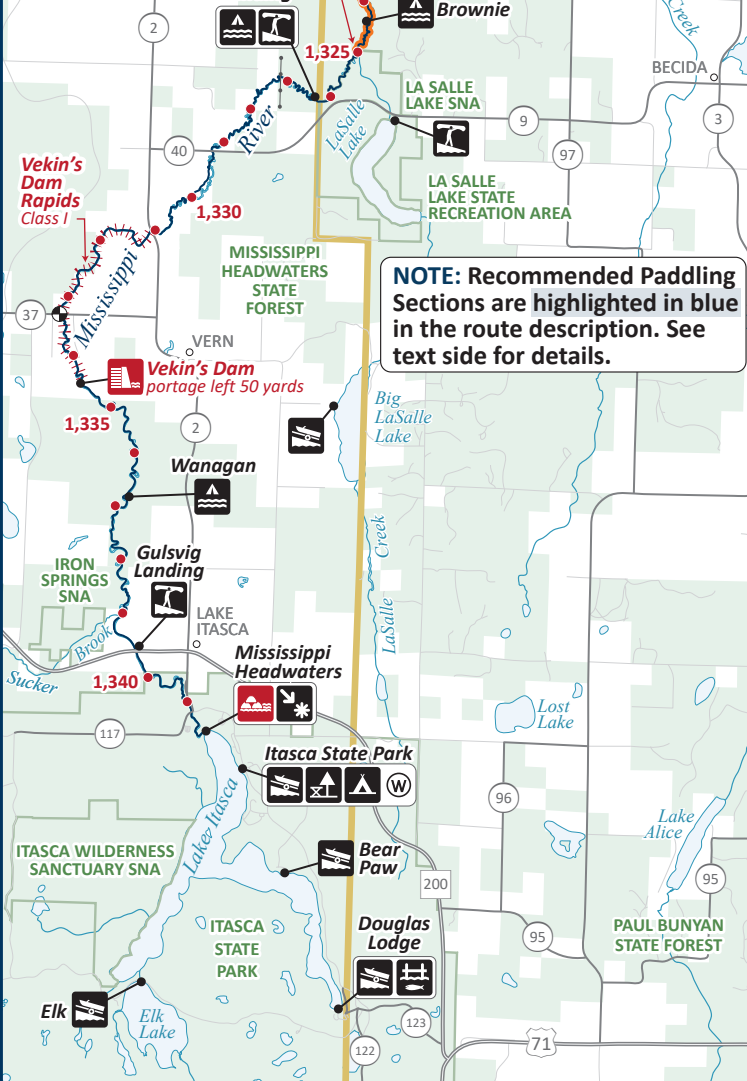
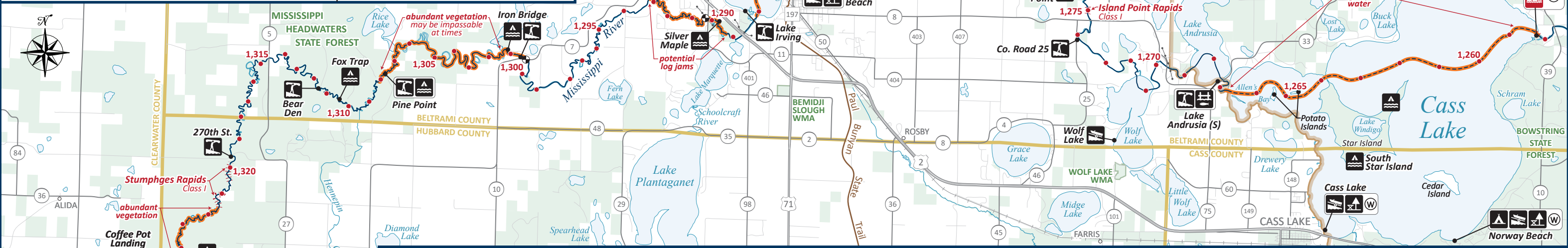


MISSISSIPPI RIVER STATE WATER TRAIL

MAP 1 - Lake Itasca to Cass Lake

Carry-in Access	Watercraft Campsite	Drinking Water	Rapids	Wildlife Management Area
Trailer Access	Point of Interest	State Public Lands	River Miles	Scientific and Natural Area
Shelter	Dam	Public Lands	State Trail (paved)	
Rest Area	Constructed Rock Rapids	River Level Gauge		
Fishing Pier	Hospital/Clinic	Power Lines		
Campground		Hazard Areas		

Scale 1:145,000
Scale in Miles: 0 1 2 3 4 5



NOTE: Recommended Paddling Sections are highlighted in blue in the route description. See text side for details.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

River miles 1,341 to 1,258 (83 miles)

(R) and (L) are right and left banks of the river when facing downstream.
Red text indicates caution areas.

- 1341.6 Mississippi Headwaters/Itasca State Park.
- 1341.2 Co. Road 38 bridge.
- 1339.6 (R) Gulsvig Landing: Carry-in access.
- 1336.8 (R) Wanagan watercraft campsite.
- 1334.4 (L) **Vekin's Dam:** Portage left 50 yards.
- 1334.4-1331 **Vekin's Dam Rapids:** Class I rapids for the next four miles.
- 1333.2 Co. Road 37 bridge. River level gauge.
- 1331.1 Co. Road 2 bridge.
- 1329.2 Co. Road 40 bridge.
- 1327.1 Power line crossing.
- 1326.2 (L) Coffee Pot Landing: Carry-in access, watercraft campsite.
- 1325 (R) LaSalle Creek confluence.
- 1325-1321.6 **Caution: The Mississippi enters a large wetland area prone to aquatic vegetation obstructions.**
- 1324.4 (L) Brownie watercraft campsite.
- 1321.5-1320 **Stumphges Rapids:** Class I rapids for two half-mile segments.
- 1319.6 (L) Forest Road bridge and 270th Street carry-in access.
- 1314.7 Co. Road 5 bridge.
- 1311.4 (L) Bear Den: Carry-in access.
- 1310.4 (L) Fox Trap watercraft campsite.

- 1309.5 (R) Hennepin Creek confluence.
- 1307.8 (R) Pine Point: Carry-in access and watercraft campsite.
- 1308.1-1300.6 **Caution: The river enters a large wetland area prone to aquatic vegetation obstructions.**
- 1306.5 (L) Rice Lake channel confluence.
- 1301.2 (L) Iron Bridge watercraft campsite.
- 1300.6 (R) Iron Bridge: Carry-in access, river level gauge.
- 1294 Fern Lake Road SW bridge.
- 1290.2 Co. Road 11 bridge. River level gauge.
- 1290 Power line crossing.
- 1289.8 (L) Silver Maple watercraft campsite.
- 1288.7 US Highway 2/Yellowhead Road. A series of three bridges. Power line crosses the river nearby.
- 1288-1287 **Caution: Submerged pilings by public access. Stay in marked channel to avoid underwater hazard.**
- 1287.1 (L) Lake Irving: Carry-in access. Trailer access downstream 1 river mile (R).
- 1286.9 (L) Paul Bunyan City Park. Carry-in access and fishing pier. City of Bemidji.
- 1286.9-1284.1 **Caution: Wind can produce large waves.** Paddling across bigger lakes is not recommended, but if you do, stay closer to the shore. NOTE: This will add several miles to the trip.
- 1284.1 Lake Bemidji State Park.
- 1284 Paul Bunyan State Trail. Co. Road 19 Bridge.
- 1279.1 (L) Stump Lake watercraft campsite.
- 1277.7 (R) **Co. Road 12 Dam:** Portage right 125 yards, river level gauge. Carry-in access.
- 1275.8 (L) Island Point watercraft campsite.

- 1275.1 **Island Point Rapids:** Class I rapids. No established portage.
- 1274.7 Co. Road 8 bridge.
- 1273.9 (R) Co. Road 25: Carry-in access.
- 1271.5 (R) Wolf Lake: Trailer access.
- 1269.5 Co. Road 8 bridge. Power line crossing.
- 1267.5 (R) Lake Andrusia: Carry-in access, fishing pier. Trailer access is north on lake.
- 1266.8-1258.2 **Cass Lake: Wind can produce large waves.** Paddling across bigger lakes is not recommended, but if you do, stay closer to the shore. NOTE: This will add several miles to the trip.
- 1266.8-1264 Allen's Bay.
- 1264-1262 Star Island: There is a campsite on the south side of the lake.
- 1264.6 City of Cass Lake.
- 1258.2 (R) **Bimijian Dam Recreation Area:** Portage right 185 yards. Constructed rock rapids, scout before proceeding. Includes campground, water access and drinking water.

Continued on Map 2: Mississippi River State Water Trail Cass Lake to Vermillion River

